

CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS JANUARY 2020

CABINET MEMBER FOR ALL-AGE LEARNING

1. HOME TO SCHOOL/COLLEGE TRAVEL AND TRANSPORT POLICY

Details of decision

The Cabinet Member for All-Age Learning considered and took into account the analysis of the responses to the public consultation (Annex A of the report), the equality impact assessment and the mitigations of key concerns and impacts (Annex B of the report), and

1. endorsed the strong focus on independence and preparation for adulthood in the new policy
2. approved the recommended three policy options that were the subject of consultation covering:
 - a. transport for children below the age of 5 (paragraph 12 of the report)
 - b. transport for children of compulsory school age who turn 8 (paragraph 13 of the report)
 - c. transport for young people aged 17 – 18 (paragraph 14 of the report)
3. approved Surrey County Council's Home to School/College Travel Assistance and Transport Policy (Annex C of the report)
4. approved the policy implementation timetable (paragraphs 15-16 of the report)

Reasons for decision

The Council has a responsibility to support greater independence of young people as an important step towards adulthood and to enabling them to fulfil their potential. Equally, the Council has a responsibility to meet its statutory duties related to home to school transport for eligible children and young people. The proposed policy meets these statutory duties and the implementation timetable allows families and young people sufficient time to prepare for changes to discretionary provision.

(Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for All-Age Learning – 31 January 2020)

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