

LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

To: all Members of the Council (via e-mail)
Access Croydon, Town Hall Reception

PUBLIC NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS MADE AT THE CABINET MEETING ON 21 JANUARY 2019

In accordance with the Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules, the following decisions may be implemented from **1300 hours on 29 January 2019** unless referred to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee:

The following apply to each decision listed below

Reasons for these decisions:

are contained in the reports which can be downloaded on the Council's website:
<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=183&MIId=1551>

Other options considered and rejected:

are contained in the reports which can be downloaded on the Council's website:
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Details of conflicts of Interest declared by any Cabinet Member: none

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

AGENDA ITEM 8: EDUCATION ESTATES STRATEGY

Key Decision no.: 0119CAB

RESOLVED: to

School Place Planning

1. Note the review of mainstream school pupil projections undertaken and submitted to the Department for Education (DfE) in July 2018 – available places vs SCAP18 forecasts – at Appendix 1 of the report;
2. Early Years Provision
Note publication of the 2018 Childcare Sufficiency Assessment report – at Appendix 2 of the report;
3. Alternative Provision / Pupil Referral Unit (PRU)
3.1 Note the intention that the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury in consultation with the Leader will approve the lease of land from John Ruskin College and to delegate authority to the Executive Director, Children, Families and Education to agree terms and sign the lease;

3.2 Note the entering in of a licence for refurbishment of the existing Cotelands PRU building at John Ruskin College;

Special Educational Needs and Disability

4. Agree the proposed Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) School Place Supply Strategy (at paragraph 3.44, Table 1 of the report) for the next 3 academic years – 2019/20 to 2021/22;
5. Consider the responses to statutory consultation and approve the proposed extension of the age range from 4 – 11 to 2 - 11 for Red Gates School from September 2019 – at Appendix 3 of the report;
6. Note that the ESFA commissioned Croydon to lead on the delivery of the new special free school - Addington Valley Academy (Timebridge site) which will be fully funded by the ESFA at a budget of £13.510m (paragraphs 3.29-3.31 of the report);
7. Note update on the partnership with Croydon Further Education (FE) college to establish new local post 16 places in an SEN Centre of Excellence (paragraphs 3.32-3.33 of the report);
8. Note the continued planned expansion of secondary autism Enhanced Learning provision at Oasis Arena. (paragraph 3.34 of the report);

School Admissions

9. Agree to recommend to full Council the proposed changes to the admission arrangements for the 2020/21 academic year – Appendix 4 of the report (*Consultation outcomes report*)
 - Acceptance of first preference offers as part of the coordinated admission arrangements
 - Pan-London primary and secondary coordinated admissions schemes and post offer process (main rounds of admissions)
 - The processing of overseas applications for admission to school within the normal admissions rounds (excluding Crown servants)
10. Agree to recommend to full Council that it determine the proposed Community schools Admission Arrangements for the 2020/21 academic year (Appendix 4a of the report),
 - adoption of the proposed Pan London scheme for co-ordination of admissions to Reception and Junior schools – at Appendix 4b of the report; and
 - adoption of the proposed Pan London scheme for co-ordination of admissions to secondary schools – at Appendix 4c of the report;

Capital Programme

11. Approve the Capital Programme as set out in Appendix 5a of the report;

School Maintenance and Compliance

12. Note the detailed proposed Schools' Maintenance Plan for 2019/20 of £2m as set out in Appendix 5 of the report and delegate authority to the Executive

Director, Children, Families and Education to vary the plan to reflect actual prices and new urgent issues that may arise, including authorising spend against the allowance for emergency and reactive works. The Executive Director, Children, Families and Education shall report back to members in respect of any exercise of such authority; and

13. Note progress made on fire safety works in Croydon community schools (paragraphs 5.17 – 5.21 of the report).

Scrutiny Referral/Call-in Procedure

1. The decisions may be implemented **1300 hours on 29 January 2019** (5 working days after the decisions were made) unless referred to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee.
2. The Acting Council Solicitor shall refer the matter to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee if so requested by:-
 - i) the Chair or Deputy Chair of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee and 4 members of that Committee; or
 - ii) 20% of Council Members (14)
3. The referral shall be made on the approved pro-forma (*attached*) which should be submitted electronically or on paper to Victoria Lower by the deadline stated in this notice. Verification of signatures may be by individual e-mail, fax or by post. A decision may only be subject to the referral process once.
4. The Call-In referral shall be completed giving:
 - i) The grounds for the referral
 - ii) The outcome desired
 - iii) Information required to assist the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to consider the referral
 - iv) The date and the signatures of the Councillors requesting the Call-In
5. The decision taker and the relevant Chief Officer(s) shall be notified of the referral who shall suspend implementation of the decision.
6. The referral shall be considered at the next scheduled meeting of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee unless, in view of the Council Solicitor this would cause undue delay. In such cases the Council Solicitor will consult with the decision taker and the Chair of Scrutiny and Overview to agree a date for an additional meeting. The Scrutiny & Overview Committee may only decide to consider a maximum of 3 referrals at any one meeting.
7. At the Scrutiny & Overview Committee meeting the referral will be considered by the Committee which shall determine how much time the Committee will give to the call in and how the item will be dealt with including whether or not it wishes to review the decision. If having considered the decision there are still concerns about the decision then the Committee may refer it back to the decision taker for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of the concerns.
8. The Scrutiny and Overview Committee may refer the decision to Full Council if it considers that the decision is outside of the budget and policy framework of the Council.
9. If the Scrutiny and Overview Committee decides that no further action is necessary then the decision may be implemented.

10. The Full Council may decide to take no further action in which case the decision may be implemented.
11. If the Council objects to the decision it can nullify the decision if it is outside of the policy framework and/or inconsistent with the budget.
12. If the decision is within the policy framework and consistent with the budget, the Council will refer any decision to which it objects together with its views on the decision. The decision taker shall choose whether to either amend / withdraw or implement the original decision within 10 working days or at the next meeting of the Cabinet of the referral from the Council.
13. The response shall be notified to all Members of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee
14. If either the Council or the Scrutiny and Overview Committee fails to meet in accordance with the Council calendar or in accordance with paragraph 6 above, then the decision may be implemented on the next working day after the meeting was scheduled or arranged to take place.
15. **URGENCY:** The referral procedure shall not apply in respect of urgent decisions. A decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the referral process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests. The record of the decision and the notice by which it is made public shall state if the decision is urgent and therefore not subject to the referral process.

Signed: Director of Law and Governance

Date: 22 January 2019

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PROFORMA

**REFERRAL OF A KEY DECISION TO THE
SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE**

For the attention of: Victoria Lower, Democratic Services & Scrutiny
e-mail to Victoria.lower@croydon.gov.uk and Cliona.may@croydon.gov.uk

Meeting Date:
Agenda Item No:

Reasons for referral:

- i) The decision is outside of the Policy Framework
- ii) The decision is inconsistent with the budget
- iii) The decision is inconsistent with another Council Policy
- iv) Other: Please specify:

The outcome desired:

**Information required to assist the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to consider
the referral:**

Signed:

Date:

Member of _____ Committee