

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 23 JANUARY 2017

In accordance with the Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules, the following decisions may be implemented from **1300 hours on 31 January 2017** 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://secure.croydon.gov.uk/akscroydon/users/public/admin/kabmenu.pl?cmte=CAB>

Other options considered and rejected:

are contained in the reports which can be downloaded on the Council's website:

<https://secure.croydon.gov.uk/akscroydon/users/public/admin/kabmenu.pl?cmte=CAB>

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 11: Education Estates Report

(Note: Resolutions 1.1 and 1.5 are key executive decisions; the remainder of the decisions are not key executive decisions)

The Cabinet **RESOLVED**

School Place Planning

- 1.1 to agree Croydon's School Place Supply Strategy (tables 1, 2 & 3) for the next 3 academic years – 2017/18 to 2019/20 and the funding (where applicable) to deliver these additional places.
- 1.2 to agree to the publication of the statutory notice and that statutory consultation can take place on the proposed permanent expansion of Beckmead and St Nicholas special schools. It is proposed that, if agreed, consultation will take place in March/April 2017. Following the outcome of the proposed consultation, a decision whether or not to expand should be made by Cabinet in May 2017.
- 1.3 to note the proposed additional places planned at Red Gates Primary School – 8 additional places in September 2017 and 8 additional places in 2018 and that to deliver these places statutory consultation is not required.

- 1.4 to note the amalgamation of four Pupil Referral Units (PRUs) - Coningsby, Phil Edwards, Moving On and Cotelands into one PRU - Saffron Valley Collegiate.- from 9 November 2016.

School Maintenance

- 1.5 to approve the proposed two year Schools' Maintenance Plan for 2017/18 and 2018/19, attached in Appendix 2 (printed separately).

- 1.6 to agree that this Plan will be reviewed annually.

School Admissions

- 1.7 to recommend that full Council agrees the proposed Admission Arrangements for Community Schools for the 2018/19 academic year as set out in Appendix 4 to this report (printed separately).

- 1.8 to agree the co-ordinated scheme for the 2018/19 academic year as set out in Appendix 5 to this report (printed separately) and note the Published Admission Numbers for Community Schools for the 2018/19 academic year.

- 1.9 to agree the secondary and primary Fair Access protocols and agree the protocols can come into effect from 20 February 2017 – Appendix 6 (printed separately).

Accessibility Strategy

- 1.10 to agree that consultation should take place on the draft accessibility strategy for disabled pupils (Appendix 7 printed separately) with stakeholders including parents/carers, pupils, school staff and governors and specialist organisations.

- 1.11 to agree that following consultation referred to in 1.10 above, to delegate to the Executive Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Learning, consideration of the consultation responses and to agree the final accessibility strategy

AGENDA ITEM 13: London Council's Grants Scheme 2017/18

The Cabinet **RESOLVED**

In order to meet the deadline of 1 February 2017 for setting the London Councils Grants Scheme budget by two-thirds of constituent Council's, to agree the recommendation of the London Councils Leaders Committee to:

- (a) Approve the London Councils Grants Scheme budget for 2017/18 of £8.899m; and

(b) Agree Croydon Council's 2017/18 contribution to the London Councils Grants Scheme budget amounting to £335,088.

Scrutiny Referral/Call-in Procedure

1. The decisions may be implemented **1300 hours on 31 January 2017** (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 Jim Simpson and James Haywood 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 Acting Council Solicitor this would cause undue delay. In such cases the Acting 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: Acting Council Solicitor & Acting Monitoring Officer

Date: 25.01.17

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PROFORMA

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

For the attention of: Jim Simpson, Democratic Services & Scrutiny
e-mail to jim.simpson@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