

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 15 January 2019

Decision No: (CAB 18/19 21738)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	Cabinet Member for Aspiration, Schools & Lifelong Learning
SUBJECT:	ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21
AUTHOR:	Clodagh Freeston

THE DECISION

- (i) To approve the Admissions Policies and the Published Admissions Numbers (PANs) for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools and the schemes for coordinating Infant-Primary, Junior and Secondary admissions for the school year 2020-21 as set out in appendices 1 to 7.
- (ii) To authorise the Service Director, Children and Families Services to take any action necessary to give effect to the admissions policies and to make any changes necessary to the admissions policies where required to give effect to any Acts, Regulations or revised Schools Admissions or School Admissions Appeals Codes or binding Schools Adjudicator, Court or Ombudsman decisions whenever they arise.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. Southampton City Council (the admission authority) proposes changes to the 2020-21 admission policies for Infant-Primary, Junior and Secondary admissions. Where changes are proposed to admission arrangements, the admission authority must first publicly consult on those arrangements. Consultation must be for a minimum of 6 weeks and must take place between 1 October and 31 January of the school year before those arrangements are to apply. Admission Authorities must set ('determine') admission arrangements annually.
2. The Council is required by statute and regulations to approve its admissions policies for the school year starting September 2020 (including Published Admissions Numbers – PANs). The deadline for this is 28 February 2020. This is a requirement of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 as amended by the Education Act 2002 and the Education and Inspections Act 2006 and the School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and Co-ordination of Admission Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2012 as amended by The

School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and Coordination of Admission Arrangements) (England)(Amendment) Regulations 2014.

3. The proposed policies are at Appendix 1-4. There are changes from the 2018-19 arrangements.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. The only alternative option considered was to not consult on or determine local admission arrangements. This has been rejected because it would be unlawful. The only alternative option considered was to not consult on or determine local admission arrangements. This has been rejected because it would be unlawful.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 15th January 2019

Decision Maker:
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:
Claire Heather

SCRUTINY

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in <i>(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)</i>
Call-in Procedure completed <i>(if applicable)</i>
Call-in heard by <i>(if applicable)</i>
Results of Call-in <i>(if applicable)</i>