Wiltshire Council

Cabinet

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Jane Scrivener – questions regarding agenda item 6 – Specials Schools Consultation

To Councillor Laura Mayes – Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Skills

Question 1

Can you specify which charities you are in discussion with and what exactly are their proposals?

Response

The charities we are working with are listed in the cabinet report https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=141&Mld=12498 and on the Local Offer website http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-offer-education-employment-training along with other information about post 16 options.

Question 2

Who will be responsible for curriculum development and monitoring of student progression and outcomes?

Response

Monitoring development and progress remains the responsibility of the school. Formative data should be used to provide feedback to parents and pupils, along with the summative progress data. Parents and carers want to know how their child is doing and what is being done to improve their learning. The local authority appreciates that every child needs to have their progress recognised and is keen to celebrate the attainment all pupils with SEND; working with schools and settings to ensure adaptive approaches to learning and teaching make the difference to progress. Central government agencies such as Ofsted will assess the impact that local provision is having on pupil achievement.

Each year the young person will have an annual review where key professionals will join the young person and family (as appropriate) to review and plan for the coming year.

Question 3

What choice will parents have in the direction their children take after 16?

Response

The pathway model is outlined on the Wiltshire Local Offer and within the May Cabinet report including the appendices http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-offer-preparing-adulthood

Question 4

When can we have in writing a full and comprehensive plan of education and support from yourselves so that we can see exactly how you are intending to educate and support our young people?

ResponseThis is available on the Wiltshire Local Offer http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-offer-preparing-adulthood