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SCHOOL TERM DATES AND HOLIDAYS 2024/25

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to ask the Cabinet Member to agree the school term and holiday dates for 2024/25 for Wiltshire's Community, Voluntary Controlled and Community Special Schools.

Consultation

A protocol for the setting of school term & holiday dates has been previously endorsed by the Teachers Joint Consultative Committee. In line with the recommendations set out in this protocol, two 195 term day calendars were proposed for consultation. Both options can be seen in Appendix A.

Consultation was undertaken with schools, neighbouring authorities, members of the public and other interested parties on the two options proposed. The responses to the consultation are summarised in Appendix B. At their meeting on 9 March 2023, the Teachers Joint Consultative Committee confirmed their support for Option 1.

Options Considered

Option 1: Shows a proposed calendar with a seven-day October break, with term 6 ending on Thursday 24 July.

Option 2: Shows a proposed calendar with a five-day break in October, with term 6 ending on Tuesday 22 July.

Reason for Decision

As dictated by Section 32 of the Education Act 2002, the local authority is responsible for determining the term dates for all community, voluntary controlled or community special schools in Wiltshire.

DECISION MADE

Following consultation with officers I give notice that I have made the decision set out in the attached report.

This decision was published on 27 March 2023 and will come into force on 4 April 2023.

The following report and appendices are attached:

Report - Term Dates 2024_25 Appendix_A - Term Date Options 1 and 2 Appendix_B_- Consultation Responses

The following supporting documents are available from the officer named above: None

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Date: 24 March 2023