

## **CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES - CLLR LIONEL GRUNDY OBE**

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### **SCHOOLS FORUM - CHANGES TO THE MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **Purpose of Report**

To propose changes to the Schools Forum membership and update the Terms of Reference, to meet requirements under the Schools Forum (England) Regulations 2012 (Statutory Instrument No. 2261/2012)

#### **Consultation**

Following consultation with officers I give notice that I intend to determine that the revised membership and terms of reference for the Wiltshire Schools Forum be adopted with immediate effect, as set out in the attached report and appendices, noting the requirement for Schools and Academies to have broadly representative representation according to pupil numbers in each category, requiring at least one schools member to be a representative of a secondary school where a local authority has at least one maintained secondary school and noting the need for the Forum to hold public meetings.

#### **Options Considered**

The Schools Forum (England) Regulations 2012 (Statutory Instrument No 2261/2012) revokes and replaces the Schools Forum (England) Regulations 2010 (Statutory Instrument No 344/2010) as amended, with the changes principally relating to the membership of Schools Forums. The local authority must ensure that Schools and Academies have broadly proportionate representation according to pupil numbers and where a local authority has at least one maintained secondary school at least one schools member must be a representative of a secondary school.

#### **Reason for Decision**

To provide an appropriate basis for the Wiltshire Schools Forum to be re-constituted and to undertake its duties, in line with the needs of the authority with the statutory requirements

## **DECISION MADE**

I approve the decision set out in the attached report to bring the Schools Forum in line with Department for Education (DfE) guidance and relevant legislation. This decision was published on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2013 and will take effect from the 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2013.

### **The following supporting documents are attached:**

CS-001-13 - Report

CS-001-13 - Schools Forum Terms of Reference Minute 44

Date: 23 January 2013

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