

RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 13 November 2012

Decision No: (CAB 12/13 9254)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES
SUBJECT:	JOINT WORK WITH THE ISLE OF WIGHT TO DELIVER EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICES
AUTHOR:	Alison Alexander

THE DECISION

- (i) To agree to the continuation and further development of the working relationship with the Isle of Wight Council to provide school improvement and the provision of statutory as well as related education functions for the academic year 2012/13 and the following two academic years.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Executive Director of Children's Services and Learning to do anything necessary to support, plan and implement the collaborative working arrangements.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. Both the Isle of Wight and Southampton City Councils are seeking greater efficiencies in their delivery. This joint working relationship, builds on the achievements of the past academic year, enabling both authorities to rationalise delivery whilst maintaining a focus on statutory duties and outcomes for children and young people.
2. The Isle of Wight Council has a number of statutory responsibilities which it is currently relying upon contractors to fulfil. This limits continuity or confidence amongst the school community. A traded services arrangement with Southampton City Council provides immediate access to a broader range of expertise than the Isle of Wight Council currently is able to secure. It gives some Southampton City Council staff the opportunity to work on a broader scale and will ease the sharing of expertise across schools in both local authorities.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Not to work in partnership with the Isle of Wight Council to deliver school improvement, special educational needs and related services, would reduce the ability of both authorities to gain efficiencies in the management and delivery of

services.

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: 13th November 2012

Decision Maker:
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:
Judy Cordell

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 (*if applicable*) (*this suspends implementation*)

Call-in Procedure completed (*if applicable*)

Call-in heard by (*if applicable*)

Results of Call-in (*if applicable*)