KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY:

Shellina Prendergast, Cabinet Member for Education and Skills **DECISION NO:**

21/00112

Unrestricted

Key decision: YES

Agree proposed coordinated schemes for primary and secondary schools in Kent and admission arrangements for infant, junior and primary and secondary community and voluntary controlled schools 2023/24

Subject: Proposed coordinated schemes for primary and secondary schools in Kent and admission arrangements for infant, junior and primary and secondary community and voluntary controlled schools 2023/24

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Education and Skills, I determine:

- a) The Coordinated Primary Admissions Scheme 2023/24 incorporating the In Year admissions process and relevant statutory consultation areas for Kent Infant, Junior and Primary Schools as detailed in Appendix A
- b) The Co-ordinated Secondary Admissions Scheme 2023/24 incorporating the In Year admissions process and relevant statutory consultation areas for Kent Secondary Schools as detailed in Appendix B
- c) The oversubscription criteria and Published Admissions Number relating to Community and Voluntary Controlled Infant, Junior and Primary Schools in Kent 2023/24 as detailed in Appendix C
- d) The oversubscription criteria and Published Admissions Number relating to Community and Voluntary Controlled Secondary Schools in Kent 2023/24 as detailed in Appendix D

Reason(s) for decision:

The Local Authority (LA), as the admissions authority for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, is required to determine its admission arrangements for these schools by 28 February each year, even if no changes have been proposed.

Local Authorities are also required to determine an Admissions scheme for schools within their geographical boundaries, which details how the co-ordinated and in year admissions processes will operate for the forthcoming year. No changes are proposed to the Admissions scheme for the 2023 intake year, so it was also unnecessary to consult on the scheme this year. CYPE Cabinet Committee is requested to comment and inform the forthcoming Cabinet Member decision to agree the Co-ordinated scheme for Admissions to Infant, Junior and Primary and Secondary schools in Kent for 2023/24 and determine the proposed admission arrangements for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools.

All admission arrangements identified in this document are outside the arrangements for pupils with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP).

Equality Implications

An updated Equalities Impact Assessment was considered as part of this process

Legal Implications

The Education Act 2002 includes a duty on each LA, to formulate a scheme to co-ordinate admission arrangements for all maintained schools in its area and to take action to secure the agreement to the scheme by all admission authorities

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation: The decision was considered at the meeting of Children, Young People and Education (CYPE) Cabinet Committee on 11 January 2022

Any alternatives considered and rejected: All alternatives were considered in the report attached to this document.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the **Proper Officer:** None

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