KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY:

Richard Long, Cabinet Member for Education and Skills

DECISION NO:

20/00003

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 2021/22

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 2021/22

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Education and Skills, I determine:

- a) The Coordinated Primary Admissions Scheme 2021/22 incorporating the In Year admissions process as detailed in Appendix A
- b) The Co-ordinated Secondary Admissions Scheme 2021/22 incorporating the In Year admissions process as detailed in Appendix B
- c) The oversubscription criteria relating to Community and Voluntary Controlled Infant, Junior and Primary Schools in Kent 2021/22 as detailed in Appendix C (1)
- d) The oversubscription criteria relating to Community and Voluntary Controlled Secondary Schools in Kent 2021/22 as detailed in Appendix D (1)
- e) The Published Admissions Number for Community and Voluntary Controlled Infant, Junior and Primary Schools 2021/22 as set out in Appendix C (2)
- f) The Published Admissions Number for Community and Voluntary Controlled Secondary Schools 2021/22 as set out in Appendix D (2)
- g) The relevant statutory consultation areas for Kent Infant, Junior and Primary Schools 2021/22 as detailed in Appendix C (3) and the relevant statutory consultation areas for Kent Secondary Schools 2021/22 as set out in Appendix D (3)

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.

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. 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 2020/21 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, Heath and Care Plans (EHCP).

KCC has consulted the Headteachers and Governors of all Kent Infant, Junior, Primary and Secondary schools; the neighbouring LAs and diocesan bodies on its scheme proposals to co-ordinate admissions to all Kent Infant, Junior, Primary and Secondary schools in September 2020. Admissions authorities have been advised that non-response to the consultation, constitutes full acceptance to the proposals.

KCC has consulted with Parents of children age 2 to 18, admission authorities, school governing bodies, school staff members, neighbouring LA and any other interested party that wished to respond on its admission arrangements for the proposed reduction in PAN for three Community schools (Herne Bay Infant School, Four Elms Primary school and West Kingsdown Primary school).

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 CYPE Cabinet Committee considered the decision on 10 January 2020 and agreed to endorse the 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 2021/22.

Any alternatives considered and rejected:

All alternatives were considered as part of the consultation with schools and relevant stakeholders.

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

signed

date

21 Jan 2020

