

**STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROFORMA**

Cabinet Meeting .....17th March 2011

1. Title of Item/Report

Procedure for Admission of Pupils to Primary & Secondary Schools in September 2012

2. Record of the Decision

Members were provided with a report that outlined the admission arrangements the Local Authority (LA) was proposing for primary and secondary schools in September 2012. In order to comply with legislation for admissions in 2012, the report included the full Co-ordinated Admission Arrangements for Primary and Secondary Schools for that year.

Members were provided with details of :-

- The Admission Policy for September 2012
- The co ordinated Admissions Scheme for Primary, Secondary, Voluntary aided schools and Academies
- Admission numbers for 2012

Members noted that during 2011 95% 1st preferences were achieved for Secondary School places. Out of 2013 applications received on time, 1915 allocated their 1st preferred school with 98 receiving their 2nd or 3rd preference.

Within Stockton on Tees the aim was to ensure that the admission arrangements were in line with the principle of fair access to educational opportunity. The Council's policies, procedures and the additional information published in the Primary and Secondary Education Booklet 2012 for parents supported this.

RESOLVED that:-

1. The Admission Policy for September 2012 which would be used to allocate places when a school was oversubscribed be approved;
2. The Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme for Primary, Secondary, Voluntary Aided (VA) schools and Academies be approved;

3. The admission numbers for September 2012 be approved.

3. Reasons for the Decision

Legislation requires the LA to publish information to be available for parents when they apply for a place at primary and secondary school. The information has to comply with the recently published School Admissions Code derived from the Education & Inspections Bill 2006. The LA was required to set admission arrangements accordingly and lodge a copy of the Co-ordinated Admission Arrangements with the Secretary of State by the 15 April 2011.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Cook declared a personal non prejudicial interest in the items entitled Admission of Pupils to Primary and Secondary Schools in September 2012 as he was a governor at one of the schools mentioned in the report and had a grand child who attended one of the schools.

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not applicable

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on 25 March 2011

Proper Officer  
21 March 2011