

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting14th September 2017

1. Title of Item/Report

School Performance 2016 - 2017

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report that presented a headline summary analysis of performance in the academic year 2016-2017 against all the key stages for all providers in the Borough.

There was a strong trajectory of improvement evident in performance of pupils in the primary phase. All maintained schools received strong inspection outcomes retaining their high standards. This reflected the impact of the work of the Education Improvement Service in monitoring, challenging, intervening and supporting the sector. It was also of note that disadvantaged pupils had performed well which had been a particular targeted area of work for the service.

Outcomes at secondary nationally were problematic due to changes in performance measures but the majority of schools in Stockton had fared very well. Improvements in secondary schools were being reflected in Ofsted outcomes which had been very pleasing in Stockton with significant gains which buck the national trends. The number of Stockton pupils attending good or better schools had increased to 91.6%. A few academies remained a cause for concern.

Results at Post 16 were strong with the school sixth forms and colleges performing well against the new examinations. Performance at the two Stockton colleges continued to improve year on year.

RESOLVED that:-

1. The standards and achievement across the Borough be noted.
2. The strong performance in Stockton schools be noted. In particular, the performance in the primary phase of disadvantaged pupils which had been a particular area of work for the service and the marked increase this year in Stockton secondary schools judged good by Ofsted which is up 45% to 89%.

3. The concerns around the performance of some Stockton secondary academies be noted and continue to be tracked.

3. Reasons for the Decision

The annual report on standards across the borough enables Cabinet to monitor standards and achievement and to evaluate the impact of local authority monitoring, challenge, intervention and support.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None.

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Norma Wilburn declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 6 – School Performance 2016 – 2017 as she was a Board Member of Stockton Riverside College and had a grandchild at Rosebrook School.

Councillor Steve Nelson declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 6 – School Performance 2016 – 2017 as he was a Governor at Frederick Natrass School and had grandchildren at Northshore School.

Councillor Mike Smith declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 6 – School Performance 2016 – 2017 as he was a Governor at a school named within the report.

Councillor Bob Cook declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 6 – School Performance 2016 – 2017 as he was a Governor at Billingham South School and had grandchildren at Northfield School.

Councillor Gillian Corr declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 6 – School Performance 2016 – 2017 as he was a Governor at Myton Park Primary School.

Councillor Jim Beall declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 6 – School Performance 2016 – 2017 as he was the Chair of Governors at Rosebrook School and had a grandchild at named school within the report.

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

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

Midnight, 22 September 2017

Proper Officer
18 September 2017