



EDUCATION FOR LIFE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 23RD FEBRUARY 2016

**SUBJECT: CONSULTATION – PROPOSED ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS
 2017/2018**

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR – EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To consult Members on the proposed changes to the Schools Admission Arrangements for the academic year 2017/2018.
- 1.2 To give Scrutiny Members the opportunity to comment on proposals as part of the consultation process before recommendations are considered by Cabinet at its meeting 1 April 2016.

2. LINKS TO STRATEGY

- 2.1 Ensuring that the Authority's Admission Arrangements are reviewed to meet the needs of schools and the Authority and comply with relevant legislation.

3. THE REPORT

- 3.1 Members will recall that they are consulted annually regarding the proposed Admission Arrangements. There are no proposed changes to the attached Admission Arrangements for 2017/18.
- 3.2 The consultation process has been taking place over the last couple of months and ends on 1 March in accordance with the Code. Consultees have included all Headteachers, all Chairs of Governors and all neighbouring LAs, as well as CCBC's Admission Forum and Scrutiny Committee.
- 3.3 In accordance with paragraph 2.10 of the Code, the admission arrangements must be determined by 15 April and will be considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 30 March 2016.

4. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Admission Arrangements for 2017/18 have been assessed and no negative impact has been identified. The arrangements note compliance with current Equalities, Human Rights and Welsh Language legislation.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None.

6. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 None.

7. CONSULTATIONS

7.1 The Admission Forum meets termly to review all Admission arrangements and procedures.

7.2 Other consultees are as outlined below and in the report.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 Members are asked to consider the report and provide any comments as part of the consultation process.

9. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 To ensure agreed changes are implemented for September 2017.

10. STATUTORY POWER

10.1 The School Admissions Code (2013) and Schools Admissions Appeal Code (2013).

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Appendix: Proposed Admission Arrangements for 2017/18