

CABINET - 15TH MARCH 2017

SUBJECT: CONSULTATION – PROPOSED ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS

2018/2019

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES AND SECTION 151

OFFICER

- 1.1 The attached report was considered by the Education for Life Scrutiny Committee on Monday 27th February 2017. The report sets out the proposed changes to the Schools Admission Arrangements for the academic year 2018/2019. Members were advised that there are no proposed changes to the Admission Arrangements appended to the report.
- 1.2 The Scrutiny Committee were informed that the consultation process will conclude on 1st March 2017 and in accordance with the School Admissions Code (2013), the admission arrangements must be determined by 15th April 2017.
- 1.3 Clarification was sought in relation to the catchment areas for Risca and Newbridge Schools. It was explained that there are no proposals to change the catchment area and that currently both schools have sufficient capacity for admission numbers. Concerns were expressed in relation to increased numbers of out of county admission applications. The Committee were reassured that on the 28th February 2017, 4,500 letters will be sent out to parents who have applied for admission and every child whose parent had applied by the closing date for their catchment school have been offered placement for September 2017.
- 1.4 Having considered the content of the Officer's report, the Education for Life Scrutiny Committee recommended the proposals contained therein be submitted to Cabinet.
- 1.5 Members are invited to consider the report and the recommendation.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Consultation – Proposed Admission Arrangements 2018/2019