

Decision Recording Form

Decision determined at Cabinet meeting on 19 September 2017



Cabinet members present:

Councillor Craig Cheney, Designated Deputy Mayor with responsibility for Finance, Governance and Performance

Councillor Asher Craig, Deputy Mayor with responsibility for Communities (Public Health, Public Transport, Libraries, Parks, Events and Equalities)

Councillor Nicola Beech, Cabinet Member for Spatial Planning and City Design

Councillor Helen Godwin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Councillor Mhairi Threlfall, Cabinet Member for Transport and Connectivity

Apologies:

Marvin Rees, Mayor
Councillor Fi Hance, Cabinet Member for Energy, Waste and Regulatory Services

Councillor Claire Hiscott, Cabinet Member for Education and Skills

Councillor Helen Holland, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care

Councillor Paul Smith, Cabinet Member for Housing

Deadline date for Call-in referral

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| (a) | Subject: | Reports from scrutiny commission (agenda item 6) |
| (b) | Ward: | |
| (c) | Declarations of interest: | None |



(d) Decision taken**Approved the recommendations as set out in the report as follows:**

Recommendation 1. Strengthen Bristol City Council's oversight of Admissions through an Annual update:

- a. Scrutiny to review school admissions information annually and submit a report which tracks the inquiry day recommendations, to the Executive Board.
- b. It is recommended that the update is presented to scrutiny in late May/early June so observations can be included in the comments section of the Office of the Schools Adjudicator (OSA) annual report.
- c. An annual meeting with key school representatives and the Council should be set up to review the annual report.
- d. The report should include information on the percentage pupil premium intake in each Bristol school to present to schools for consideration. The Local Authority should work with Heads & Principals to prioritise pupils eligible for Pupil Premium in their admissions policies.

Recommendation 2. that the Mayor:

- a. meets with Principals and Chairs of Academy Boards, that have a catchment area that extends beyond Bristol, to discuss increasing the percentage of places reserved for Bristol pupils
- b. requires all new or expanding schools, which receive capital investment from Bristol City Council, to prioritise Bristol pupils as part of their admission criteria.

Recommendation 3. Officers to work with Councillors and community groups to strengthen advice and support available for parents on admissions processes, building on the successful Health Champions model in Public Health (Appendix 1 provides an outline of Health Champions). Councillors should actively encourage parents / carers to use all three of their preference choices and include a local school.



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| (e) | Exempt Information? |
| (f) | Decision made in exempt session? No |
| (g) | Additional information at the meeting/documents taken into account: None |
| (h) | Reason for decision: As set out in the report. |

Signed :..... **Date :**



