

Meeting: Executive
Date: 12 January 2010
Subject: Raising Achievement in Central Bedfordshire's Schools

Response of the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

1. At its meeting on 5 January 2010 the Children, Families and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered a report regarding the current position in relation to standards in Central Bedfordshire's schools and an overview of progress made with the priorities within the Enjoy and Achieve Plan.
2. The Committee discussed the report in detail and noted the following:-
 - 2.1 The Committee will receive a report for comment regarding the vision for transforming learning in Central Bedfordshire at their meeting in February. This report would raise the issue of trust federations and partnerships for the Committee's consideration prior to a report being submitted to the Executive.
 - 2.2 The Committee was disappointed with current standards in schools and was keen to see improvements in performance.

Recommendation:-

That the Committee

- (i) notes the principles detailed in the report with regards to the commissioning of central services from other providers or their relocation in trusts and partnerships; and
- (ii) notifies the Executive that the Committee wished to comment further on these principles following their next meeting in February where they would consider the vision for transforming learning.