Meeting: ADMISSIONS FORUM

Date: 11 November 2010

Subject: Admission Arrangements September 2012 Co-ordinated Admission Schemes

- Report of: Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Children, Families and Learning
- **Summary:** The purpose of this report is to inform the Forum of the proposed coordinated admission schemes for 2012/2013.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To note the proposed co-ordinated admissions scheme for upper schools and academies
- 2. To note the proposed co-ordinated admissions scheme for middle, primary, lower schools and academies

Co-ordinated Scheme for Upper Schools and Academies

- 1. The proposed co-ordinated scheme for upper schools and academies is attached at Appendix A.
- 2. There are a few very minor changes to the scheme:
 - Reference to the transfer booklet being available only on request
 - Reference to possible future middle phase academies
 - The timescales which have been updated for 2012/2013

Co-ordinated Scheme for Middle, Primary, Lower Schools and Academies

- 3. The proposed co-ordinated scheme for middle, primary, lower schools and academies is attached at Appendix B.
- 4. There are a few very minor changes to the scheme:
 - Reference to possible future middle phase academies
 - Reference to lower phase academies
 - Reference to the transfer booklet being available only on request

- The timescales which have been updated for 2012/2013
- 5. Members of the Forum will note that the national closing date of 15 January 2012 falls at the weekend. The Department for Education has confirmed that the national closing dates have been set irrespective of whether those dates are working days.

Consultation

6. As there are no significant changes to the co-ordinated schemes the Local Authority is not required to consult on the schemes.

The inclusion of lower phase academies reflects the current position in Central Bedfordshire and reference to middle phase academies provides for their establishment in the future.

The timescales have been updated, but are not significantly different from those determined for 2011/2012. It is important, however, that schools and academies are aware of the timescales and it is proposed, therefore, to issue the schemes for information purposes only.

Appendices:

Appendix A - Co-ordinated Scheme for admissions to Upper Schools and Academies - Academic Year 2012/2013

Appendix B - Co-ordinated Scheme for admission to Middle, Primary, Lower Schools and Academies - Academic Year 2012/2013