
Meeting: Schools Forum
Date: 22 October 2012
Subject: Schools Forum Constitution & Terms of Reference
Report of: Director of Children's Services and Deputy Chief Executive
Summary: The report sets out a proposed change in the membership provision for the Schools Forum.

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Public/Exempt: Public
Wards Affected: All
Function of: Council

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Council Priorities:

- Improved educational attainment.

Financial:

1. The Schools Forum takes decisions and provides a response to consultation on School Funding Formula, contracts, financial issues and other matters.

Legal:

2. This report responds to legislative requirements on the composition of the Schools Forum.

Risk Management:

3. Not applicable.

Staffing (including Trades Unions):

4. Not Applicable.

Equalities/Human Rights:

5. Not applicable.

Public Health

6. Not applicable.

Community Safety:

7. Not Applicable.

Sustainability:

8. Not Applicable.

Procurement:

9. Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

The Forum is asked to include provision in the Constitution and Terms of Reference for a PRU representative.

Reason for Recommendation(s): To respond to recent legislation.

Executive Summary

This report enables the amendment of the Schools Forum Constitution & Terms of Reference for a PRU representative.

The Schools Forum (England) Regulations 2012

10. The provisions of the Schools Forum (England) Regulations 2012 (“the Regulations”) came into force on 1 October 2012.
11. The Regulations required the Central Bedfordshire Schools Forum to be reconstituted by 1 October 2012 taking into account the new requirements set out in the Regulations.
12. The Forum re-elected its membership for three years and amended its Constitution & Terms of Reference, to reflect the increased Academy representation, at its meeting on 5 March 2012.
13. New Regulations, the Schools Forum (England) Regulations 2012, provide for the additional inclusion of a PRU representative on the Forum, on the same basis as the voting school members.
14. The proposed amendment, enabling compliance with the Regulations, is shown in the Constitution and Terms of Reference, attached at Appendix A.

Appendices: Appendix A – Constitution and Terms of Reference

Background Papers: (open to public inspection) None