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The Children and Young People's Service

Report to Haringey Schools Forum – 3 July 2013

Report Title: Update on Academy Membership of the Schools Forum

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Purpose: To update the Forum on further membership changes

Recommendations:

- 1. That with effect from September 2013 places be offered to schools representatives as follows:-
 - Secondary Academy places 2 for staff and 1 for a governor
 - Primary Academy places 1 staff and 1 governor
 - Secondary Maintained sector 2 staff and 3 governors
 - Primary Maintained sector 7 staff and 7 governors
- 2. That the appropriate nominating organisations be invited to appoint representative in accordance with the places identified above.
- 3. That the Constitution be amended to reflect the agreed membership changes, and the Forum continue to elect on a triennial basis with annual adjustments to reflect any academy changes.
- 4. That it be noted that a planned review of the total membership is proposed.

1. Schools Forum Academy membership - proposed changes

- 1.1 The Forum will recall that when the membership was last considered in September 2012 it was agreed that the number of places allocated to Academy representation be reviewed if an imbalance occurs rather than rather than every time a school changes status.
- 1.2 The basis for Academy representation is that primary schools, secondary schools and Academies must be broadly proportionately represented on the forum, having regard to the total number of pupils registered at them. In addition the number of members representing schools in a particular school category must be broadly proportionate to the total number of schools in that category when compared with the total number of schools maintained by the authority. It had therefore been previously agreed that there should be two members on the Forum representing the Academy sector and the two secondary school academies were invited to submit nominations to the Forum.
- 1.3 The attached appendix which uses the October 2012 pupil count (plus adjustment for planned expansion at Heartlands) as it is the most recent count which includes Academy pupil numbers. The analysis reflects all schools status as of June 2013. There are no other confirmed conversions this academic year.
- 1.4 In accordance with the formula there should be 3 secondary Academy places, and 2 places allocated for primary Academy representation. This results in an allocation of 5 places for maintained secondary schools and 14 for the primary maintained sector.
- 1.5 The suggested breakdown is as follows:-
 - Secondary Academy places 2 for staff and 1 for a governor
 - Primary Academy places 1 staff and 1 governor
 - Secondary Maintained sector 2 staff and 3 governors
 - Primary Maintained sector 7 staff and 7 governors
- 1.6 As the constitution currently states that the Forum will be elected on a triennial basis it is recommended that this be amended to indicate that it will be triennial with annual adjustments to reflect any changes to Academies.
- 1.7 The Forum may wish in the future consider the current size to ensure that it is operating in an efficient and effective manner.