

# **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET MEMBER SIGNING HELD ON FRIDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 2016, 9.00 - 9.15 am**

## **PRESENT:**

**Councillors: Elin Weston (Chair)**

### **1. FILMING AT MEETINGS**

The Cabinet Member referred those present to Agenda Item 1 as shown on the agenda in respect of filming at this meeting and asked that those present reviewed and noted the information contained therein.

### **2. URGENT BUSINESS**

None.

### **3. FUNDING EARLY EDUCATION IN HARINGEY: PERMISSION TO CONSULT ON EARLY YEARS FUNDING PROPOSALS**

The Cabinet Member considered a report that requested permission to launch a consultation with stakeholders and affected groups on options for the application of the Dedicated Schools Grant Early Years Block Funding in Haringey from 2017-18, arising from proposals put out by the Department for Education.

Noting that the proposals contained in the consultation document had been drawn up in response to a challenging Government-led timetable, and in the absence of a definitive position from the Department for Education, the Cabinet Member stressed that she was keen the consultation be as full and thorough as possible to ensure a range of interested parties have opportunities to give their views. These views would be taken into account by the Cabinet when considering options in early 2017.

## **RESOLVED**

That permission be granted for the launch of a consultation on proposals to:

- i) Introduce the universal base rate proposed in Appendix 1 for providers of the three and four year old free entitlement from April 2017. Appendix 1 sets out how that rate has been calculated,
- ii) Set from 1st April 2017, a deprivation supplement at £0.40p per hour, per child.
- iii) Introduce from September 2017 a single discretionary supplement of £0.12p per hour, per child, targeted towards supporting providers in the delivery of the additional 15 hours,

iv) Introduce from April 2017, a taper down from the current local authority funding rate of £6 per hour for providers of the 2 year old free entitlement, to the funding rate received by the local authority from the DfE as follows:

2017/18	£6.00
2018/19	£6.00
2019/20	£5.83
2020/21	£5.66

That agreement be given to a process of engagement, to be run as part of the consultation process, as set out in Appendix 2 of the report, to gather views of residents, staff and governors on the following options:

- To replace the current, Council-determined single fee structure, applied across all eight maintained childcare settings with a new structure where fees differ from setting to setting.
- To remove the Council's involvement in the delivery of school-based provision, allowing the schools to set their own fees.
- To increase fees in the directly managed child care settings to mitigate the loss of subsidy funding.

#### **4. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

None.

CHAIR: Councillor Elin Weston

Signed by Chair .....

Date .....