

CABINET MEETING – 20 JUNE 2024
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

Membership of the School Organisation Committee of Cabinet

Author(s):

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Purpose of Report:

This report asks the Cabinet to endorse the membership of the School Organisation Committee of Cabinet.

Description of Decision:

Cabinet is recommended to endorse the membership of the School Organisation Committee of Cabinet as; the Leader of the Council; the Deputy Leader and Health, Wellbeing and Safer Communities Portfolio Holder; the Children’s Services, Child Poverty and Skills Portfolio Holder; the Communities, Culture and Tourism Portfolio Holder; and the Corporate Services and Equalities Portfolio Holder.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? *Yes

If not, Council approval is required to change the Budget/Policy Framework

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

To ensure that the membership of the committee is appropriately aligned with Cabinet portfolio responsibilities and has been endorsed by Cabinet.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

There are no alternative options proposed.

Impacts analysed;

Equality **Privacy** **Sustainability** **Crime and Disorder**

Is the Decision consistent with the Council’s co-operative values? Yes/No

Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? Yes/No

Is it included in the 28 day Notice of Decisions? Yes/No

CABINET – 20 JUNE 2024

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SCHOOL ORGANISATION COMMITTEE OF CABINET

Report of the Assistant Director of Law and Governance

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To endorse the membership of the School Organisation Committee of Cabinet.

2. Description of Decision (Recommendations)

- 2.1 Cabinet is recommended to endorse the membership of the School Organisation Committee of Cabinet as; the Leader of the Council; the Deputy Leader and Health, Wellbeing and Safer Communities Portfolio Holder; the Children's Services, Child Poverty and Skills Portfolio Holder; the Communities, Culture and Tourism Portfolio Holder; and the Corporate Services and Equalities Portfolio Holder.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 As members are aware, relevant school organisation proposals are referred to the School Organisation Committee of Cabinet (SOCOC). This is a five member Committee which was constituted in 2007. Standing Orders agreed by the Committee provide that the Chair is the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services and the Vice Chair is the Leader of the Council. The quorum for Committee meetings is three. A copy of the Standing Orders is attached in the Appendix to this report for information.
- 3.2 Portfolio descriptions have changed a number of times since Cabinet members were first appointed to the Committee in 2007 and membership of the Committee has been updated each time to align with the relevant portfolios. The membership of the School Organisation Committee of Cabinet was previously the Children, Learning and Skills Portfolio Holder, Leader of the Council, Cabinet Secretary, Vibrant City Portfolio Holder and Healthy City Portfolio Holder. With the recent changes to executive responsibilities, it is considered timely for Cabinet to endorse the membership of SOCOC formally, as comprising: the Leader of the Council; the Deputy Leader and Health, Wellbeing and Safer Communities Portfolio Holder; the Children's Services, Child Poverty and Skills Portfolio Holder; the Communities, Culture and Tourism Portfolio Holder; and the Corporate Services and Equalities Portfolio Holder.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no additional financial implications arising from this report.

5.0 Reasons for Decision

- 5.1 To ensure that the membership of the committee is appropriately aligned with Cabinet portfolio responsibilities and has been endorsed by Cabinet.

6.0 Alternative Options

- 6.1 There are no alternative options proposed.

7.0 List of Appendices

7.1 School Organisation Committee of Cabinet Standing Orders