

Time Commenced: 5.00 pm

Time Finished: 5.30 pm

## SCHOOL ADMISSIONS FORUM 26 SEPTEMBER 2007

Present: David Keys

Councillors Allen and Ginns

Sue Bradley

Sara Bull

Alison Brown

Paul Clarke

Robin Constable

Cathy Ford

Keith Forrest

Helen Hough

Roger Shipton

Katherine Taylor

Alison Woodhouse

Claire Walker

Fiona McLaughlin

Brackensdale Junior School

(in the Chair)

Local Authority – CYP Department

Bishop Lonsdale CoE School

Derby Diocese, Board of Education

Cavendish Close Junior School

Solicitor

Local Authority – CYP Department

Assistant Director Strategic Support

Borrowood Junior School

Merrill College

Constitutional Services Officer

St Peter's Church of England Junior School

Portway Infants

Chellaston Infant School

### 01/07 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bolton, Rawson and Willoughby.

### 02/07 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

### 03/07 Declarations of Interest

Name	Type of Interest	Reason
Councillor Allen	Personal	Chair of Governors - Kingsmead School

### 04/07 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2007 were confirmed as a correct record.

## 05/07 School Admissions Forum Membership

The Forum considered a report from the Director of Corporate and Adult Services, setting out details of the membership. The report was requested in order to clarify the provisions of the new Education Regulations 2007, which came into force on 27 February 2007.

The Forum noted the email attached at Appendix 2 of the report from the Department for Education and Skills in response to the concerns expressed by its members over the perceived differences between the core members and the 'new' school members.

A list of the core members and the school cluster representatives was attached at Appendices 3 and 4.

**Resolved to note the report.**

## 06/07 Report on Fair Shares Protocol (In Year fair Access) Managed Moves and Hard to Place 2006-07

The Forum considered a report from the Corporate Director for Children and Young People setting out details of the Fair Shares Partnership Agreement, which had been approved by Secondary Heads and the Forum in 2004. Sue Bradley, Chair of the Managed Moves/Hard to Place panel presented the report. The initial agreement established a protocol for arranging a Managed Move for a pupil between secondary schools as an early intervention to avoid permanent exclusion. The Managed Moves protocol has been operated for three years. A summary of the results was given in the report appendices.

Roger Shipton, Merrill College commended Sue and her team on the results of the work.

The Chair asked if there had been any exclusions in the Primary Sector. Sue responded that there had been five for the year 2006/07.

Paul Clarke, Cavendish Close Junior School asked why some schools had not taken any managed moves. Sue said that the placements depended on the needs of the individual pupil and what a school could offer. Cathy Ford, added that during the panel meetings schools volunteer to take pupils according to their particular aptitude.

The Chair thanked Sue for presenting a comprehensive report.

**Resolved to note the report.**

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