



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS FORUM
23 September 2009

ITEM 6

Report on Fair Shares Protocol (In Year Fair Access) Managed Moves and Hard to Place 2008-09

RECOMMENDATION

1. To note contents and appendices 1 and 2.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Fair Shares Partnership Agreement was approved by Secondary Heads in March 2004 and then approved by the Admissions Forum in April 2004 for implementation in September 2004
- 2.2 The initial agreement established the protocol for arranging a managed move for a pupil between secondary schools as an early intervention to avoid permanent exclusion came into operation in September 2004. The hard to place came into operation in September 2005. The protocol now in operation has been revised in consultation with Secondary Heads and has been incorporated together with the new arrival protocol.
- 2.3 The Hard to Place protocol was agreed following consultation with Secondary Heads and was implemented in September 2005 with Landau Forte being accepted into the agreement from September 2006. This protocol provides a mechanism for allocating school placement for those not currently on a school roll and who are difficult to place. It is also the vehicle for placing permanently excluded pupils who are considered ready for reintegration.
- 2.4 The panel meets every half-term, with representatives from all Derby City secondary Schools and other CYPD colleagues.
- 2.5 The revised protocol will operate fully from September 2009.
- 2.6 Since 2006 / 2007 we have seen reduction in number of managed moves accepted and those referred to panel. For a number of students the process remains a very positive new start and ensures maintenance of a mainstream placement. The reasons for the reduction in referrals and successful placements were considered as part of the review and the issues were addressed in the new protocol. See appendix 1.

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Background papers: None

List of appendices:
Appendix 1 – Implications
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| IMPLICATIONS |
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Financial

1. None arising from this report.

Legal

- 2.1 The current protocols will need to be reviewed to reflect recent recommendations regarding “In Year Fair Access” agreements within the new Education and Inspections Act.
- 2.2 Draft agreement for Primary phase protocol will go out for consultation during the autumn term 2009.

Personnel

3. There is no direct impact upon personnel issues arising from this report.

Equalities impact

4. There is no direct impact upon equality issues arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. Relates to the council’s objective of “Supporting everyone in learning and achieving”