

Select Committee on Children's Services - 15 September 2008

Report of the Director of Children's Service

Consultation on the future of the Ethnic Minority Achievement Service

Purpose of Report

1. This report informs the Select Committee of a consultation on the future of the Ethnic Minority Achievement Service published on 8 September 2008 and which will run until 8 December 2008, and seeks the Committee's views.

Background

 A consultation has been published which includes two key elements. The financial support, and the configuration of the service. See Appendix A -Consultation Document. An Equality Impact Assessment has been carried out to support the consultation. This document is also attached as Appendix B.

Finance

3. Following the close of the consultation the Cabinet Member, in conjunction with the Cabinet and the Council, will determine the future structure and operation of, and budgetary arrangements, for the Ethnic Minority Achievement Service.

Law

- 4. The work of the Ethnic Minority Achievement Service is governed by the Education and Inspections Act 2006.
- 5. The Race Relations (Amendments) Act 2000 places a general duty on a wide range of public authorities, including local authorities, to promote race equality.

Equality Impact

6. An Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken; see Appendix B.

Recommendation

7. It is recommended that the Select Committee makes any representation it feels fit to the Cabinet Member as part of the consultation process.

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List of Background Papers

Ethnic Minority Achievement Service Consultation Document Equality Impact Assessment