

Forward Plan Select Committee – 27th October 2005

SERVICE AREA: Children and Families Department

Report ref	Report title
	REVIEW AND DETERMINATION OF THE RELEVANT AREA FOR CONSULTATION ON SCHOOL ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS
<p>Summary:</p> <p>The Council must, every two years, set an area within which we will consult on proposed admissions arrangements for maintained schools located within Brent. The current Relevant Area for Consultation is the area of the Borough of Brent.</p> <p>The 1998 School Standards & Framework Act introduced statutory requirements for admissions authorities to consult each other before determining their admissions arrangements. Regulations made under this Act and the Education Act 2002 define the process that must be gone through and the organisations that must be consulted.</p> <p>The Council must consult on its proposed admissions arrangements with each of its neighbouring authorities, and with each Admissions Authority within the Relevant Area for Consultation. (The governing body of a Foundation or Voluntary Aided school is its Admissions Authority, the Council is the Admission Authority for Community schools)</p> <p>The Education (Relevant Areas for Consultation on Admissions Arrangements) Regulations 1999 place a responsibility on Councils to consult with the other admissions authorities in the borough, and those in neighbouring boroughs, within a distance of one mile for primary schools and three miles for secondary, and then to determine the area within which future consultation on admissions arrangements will take place.</p> <p>This process must be revisited every two years, and the area reaffirmed, or altered. Consultation has taken place there have been no objections. The recommendation is that the Executive determine the Relevant Area to remain the area within the borough boundary.</p>	

Nature of Decision to be taken/Intended Outcome

To determine the Relevant Area for Consultation on Admissions Arrangements.

The intended outcome is that the Executive confirms that the Relevant Area for Consultation on Admissions Arrangements remain in force, and the Relevant Area should comprise only the area of the borough.

Timescale for decision:

The decision needs to be taken at the November meeting of the Executive.

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