

**LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT**

**EXECUTIVE MEETING  
08.12.03**

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, ARTS & LIBRARIES

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**REPORT TITLE: DfES / LEA Compact**

**1.0 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The DfES have proposed drawing up a Compact with each LEA on a voluntary basis to be piloted for 2004/5. The Compact is designed to give public expression to the partnership between the DfES and LEAs and to include local priorities for Brent. A draft Compact is attached.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The Executive is recommended to agree the draft Compact.

**3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 The LEA actions detailed in the draft Compact will be funded from within existing resources.

**4.0 STAFFING IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Existing staff will carry out the actions detailed in the Compact.

**5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The Compact is a statement of partnership, outlining existing priorities and commitments of the LEA. There are no penalties of all the actions are not able to be undertaken.

**6.0 DETAIL**

- 6.1 The topics for the Compact have been drawn up from current activities and priorities for the Department, in the context of the Corporate Strategy, and reflect consultations and discussions with school and teacher association representatives.
- 6.2 This is a national pilot drawn up within a framework of existing resources. Following a successful review the DfES propose to include this as an annual exercise and the Compact for 2005/6 could be considered as part of that year's budget-setting process.

## **7.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The following papers were used in the compilation of this report:-

- i) DfES Compact Prospectus

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