

# EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE FORUM

# MONDAY 30 JUNE 2008 7.30 PM

COMMITTEE AGENDA (ADVISORY AND CONSULTATIVE)

COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 & 2, HARROW CIVIC CENTRE

PRE-MEETINGS: HTCC 6.45 PM - COMMITTEE ROOM 6, GOVERNORS 6.45 PM - COMMITTEE ROOM 3, MEMBERS 7.00 PM - COMMITTEE ROOMS 1/2

MEMBERSHIP (Quorum 3 representatives of each side)

Chairman: Councillor Anjana Patel

**Councillors:** 

Mrs Camilla Bath Miss Christine Bednell B E Gate Raj Ray

Janet Mote

5. Salim Miah

Bill Stephenson

1. Husain Akhtar 2. Julia Merison 3. Mrs Vina Mithani 4. Jean Lammiman Keeki Thammaiah
 Nizam Ismail
 David Perry

Teachers' Constituency: (nominated by Harrow Teachers' Consultative Committee)

Mrs D Cawthorne Ms J Howkins Ms L Money Ms C Gembala Ms J Lang Ms L Snowdon

Governors' Constituency: (nominated by Association of Harrow Governing Bodies)

Mrs C Millard (VC) Ms H Solanki (Vacancy) (Vacancy) (Vacancy)

**Elected Parent Governors:** 

1. Mr R Chauhan 2. Mrs D Speel

**Denominational Representatives:** 

1. Mrs J Rammelt 2. Reverend P Reece

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# **HARROW COUNCIL**

# **EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE FORUM**

# **MONDAY 30 JUNE 2008**

# **AGENDA - PART I**

# 1. Attendance by Reserve Members:

To note the attendance at this meeting of any duly appointed Reserve Members.

Reserve Members may attend meetings:-

- (i) to take the place of an ordinary Member for whom they are a reserve;
- (ii) where the ordinary Member will be absent for the whole of the meeting; and
- (iii) the meeting notes at the start of the meeting at the item 'Reserves' that the Reserve Member is or will be attending as a reserve;
- (iv) if a Reserve Member whose intention to attend has been noted arrives after the commencement of the meeting, then that Reserve Member can only act as a Member from the start of the next item of business on the agenda after his/her arrival.

# 2. **Apologies for Absence:**

To receive apologies for absence (if any).

# 3. **Declarations of Interest:**

To receive declarations of personal or prejudicial interests, arising from business to be transacted at this meeting, from:

- (a) all Members of the Committee, Sub Committee, Panel or Forum;
- (b) all other Members present in any part of the room or chamber.

# 4. Arrangement of Agenda:

To consider whether any of the items listed on the agenda should be considered with the press and public excluded on the grounds that it is thought likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that there would be disclosure of confidential information in breach of an obligation of confidence or of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

# Enc. 5. <u>Minutes:</u> (Pages 1 - 4)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2008 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

# 6. **Matters Arising:**

To consider any matters arising from the last meeting.

# 7. Public Questions:

To receive questions (if any) from local residents or organisations under the provisions of Advisory Panel and Consultative Forum Procedure Rule 16 (Part 4E of the Constitution).

# 8. **Petitions:**

To receive petitions (if any) submitted by members of the public/Councillors under the provisions of Advisory Panel and Consultative Forum Procedure Rule 14 (Part 4E of the Constitution).

# 9. **Deputations:**

To receive deputations (if any) under the provisions of Advisory Panel and Consultative Forum Procedure Rule 15 (Part 4E of the Constitution).

# Enc. 10. <u>Strategic Approach to School Reorganisation:</u> (Pages 5 - 22) Report of the Director of Schools and Children's Development.

# 11. **Date of Next Meeting:**

To note that the next meeting of the Forum is due to be held on 11 September 2008.

**AGENDA - PART II - NII** 



#### **ADVISORY AND CONSULTATIVE**

#### **EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE FORUM**

#### 19 MARCH 2008

Chairman: \* Councillor Miss Christine Bednell

Councillors: \* Mrs Camilla Bath \* Janet Mote

Teachers' Mrs D Cawthorne Ms J Lang

Governors' Ms H Solanki Constituency: \* Mrs C Millard

Governor Representatives:

Denominational \* Mrs J Rammelt † Reverend P Reece Representatives:

Denotes Member presentDenotes apologies received

# **PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS - NIL**

### **PART II - MINUTES**

## 81. Attendance by Reserve Members:

**RESOLVED:** To note that there were no Reserve Members in attendance at this meeting.

# 82. Apologies for Absence:

**RESOLVED:** To note that apologies for absence had been received from Janice Howkins, Ramji Chauhan and Paul Reece.

### 83. <u>Declarations of Interest:</u>

**RESOLVED:** To note that there were no declarations of interests made by Members in relation to the business transacted at this meeting.

# 84. **Arrangement of Agenda:**

**RESOLVED:** That all items be considered with the press and public present.

### 85. Minutes:

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2008 be taken as read and signed as a correct record, subject to the following amendments:

# Minute 79 - School's Amalgamation Policy

Paragraph two be amended so that it reads: "A member expressed concern that the report came across as biased towards amalgamation and that the Forum had not been consulted on the policy before the Cabinet 2007 decision. The member asked for the reasons against amalgamation."

# 86. Matters Arising:

**RESOLVED:** To note that there were no matters arising that did not appear on the agenda.

# 87. Public Questions:

**RESOLVED:** To note that no public questions were received at this meeting under the provisions of Advisory Panel and Consultative Forum Procedure Rule 16 (Part 4E of the Constitution).

### 88. **Petitions:**

**RESOLVED:** To note that no petitions were received at this meeting under the provisions of the Advisory Panel and Consultative Forum Procedure Rule 14 (Part 4E of the Constitution).

# 89. **Deputations:**

**RESOLVED:** To note that no deputations were received at this meeting under the provisions of Advisory Panel and Consultative Forum Procedure Rule 15 (Part 4E of the Constitution).

### 90. Vision for Education in Harrow:

The Forum received the report of the Director of Schools and Children's Development, which set out a draft vision for Education in Harrow which is being developed to support the council's submission for the Primary Capital Strategy and Building Schools for the Future (BSF). The Director of Schools and Children's Development added that the draft vision had been constructed to set the tone and path for Education in Harrow during the next 10 years. Consultation was due to take place with headteachers, officers and the governors' forum. The Forum was asked to note that although consultation was taking place in some schools, it was merely a 'soft consultation' which tested the water in some of the more needy communities. Schools have been asked to discuss the vision within their own school communities. This is not a formal consultation process and all views are welcomed. The Director of Schools and Children's Development further added that the vision was in response to the DCFS's desire for Harrow to be forward thinking and innovative. The Forum was reminded that the council was setting the framework for the future but was not the driving force behind the proposals, but the schools themselves. The Forum was asked to deliver the draft vision to their constituency groups and discuss whether the vision was right, was there anything else that could be included, and what the potential political barriers might be.

A Member commented that the draft vision was in need of more clarity as the educational vernacular was not so understandable to the lay person. The Member added that the vision may then be led to misinterpretation by the press.

A member commented that the report was concerned with cohesiveness yet the content read in favour of diversity. The member further commented that more clarification was needed about statements within the report referring to 'choice'. The Director of Schools and Children's Development replied that schools within Harrow were individual and distinctive, offering, in addition to Community Schools, a choice of different religious and voluntary aided schools and nurseries. The Director of Schools and Children's Development added that they would be happy to consider the member's suggestions for better wording within the report.

A member queried whether the rating of 'good' used in the report was derived from Ofsted's view of Harrow's schools. They added that if this was true, then shouldn't Harrow schools be aspiring for 'outstanding'. The Director of Schools and Children's Development replied that the idiosyncratic nature of the language used by Ofsted left this open to interpretation and that Ofsted see Harrow' Schools as, "good in their judgment". A Member added that many schools remain in their 'comfort zones' when Ofsted are 'satisfied' with them. The Member suggested that attainment should be raised from 'satisfied' to 'good'. Another Member agreed and added that what schools needed were realistic, achievable targets.

**RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.

# 91. Three Year Results for Key Stage 2, 3 and Key Stage 4:

The Forum received an information report of the Director of Schools and Children's Development, which showed Key Stage 2, Key Stage 3 and GCSE results for Harrow LA compared to statistical neighbours over a 3-year period. In addition to this the report provided an analysis of pre and post amalgamation results in Primary Schools over a 5-year period.

A member commented that they were pleased with the results, but queried why were some of the values declining. The Director of Schools and Children's Development replied that the values can change due to fluctuations in the affluence of the cohorts. The Director of Schools and Children's Development further explained that although Harrow's statistical neighbours remain the same, Harrow was not necessarily a statistical neighbour in return. What was important to remember was that the list was drawn from a high range profile. Indicators were not just performance based, but could

also be socio-demographic. The Forum was reminded that remaining high-performing would become increasingly challenging as Harrow's population continued to change.

A Member commented that by observing the report as a whole the Forum should be pleased, but with the proviso that this would not lead to complacency. The Member requested that it be noted in the minutes that gratitude and congratulations should be expressed to staff in all Harrow schools, support staff in the LEA, Harrow Governors, the Forum, the parents, parental support and also to the pupils themselves. The Chairman agreed and added that the most important part of education was not passing exams but that students are formed into well-rounded citizens. A member added that unfortunately statistics did not reflect this importance.

The Director of Schools and Children's Development concluded that there was not enough data of post amalgamation yet to generate a trend.

**RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.

# 92. **Date of Next Meeting:**

**RESOLVED:** That the date of the next meeting, 30 June 2008, be noted.

(Note: The meeting having commenced at 7.37 pm, closed at 8.31 pm)

(Signed) COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE BEDNELL Chairman



Committee: Education Consultative Forum

Date: 30 June 2008

Subject: INFORMATION REPORT – Strategic

Approach to School Reorganisation

Responsible Officer: Director Schools and Children's

Development, Heather Clements

Portfolio Holder: Portfolio Holder, Schools and Children's

Development, Councillor Anjana Patel

Exempt: No

Enclosures: Annexe 1 - Proposals for Individual

Schools

Annexe 2 - High Level Timeline Annexe 3 - Workstream Groups

# Section 1 - Summary

The Strategic Approach to School Organisation June Cabinet report is attached for the Forum to consider. The Forum may wish to receive an up-date report throughout the process, and is invited to consider how they might be part of the process.

# FOR INFORMATION

Contact: Johanna Morgan, Service Manager, Partnerships and

Well-Being, 020 8736 6841

# Section 2 - Report

# 2.1 Introduction

- 2.1.1 The Strategic Approach to School Reorganisation and the potential outcome to change the ages of transfer will contribute to the Corporate Priority to extend community use of schools while making education in Harrow even better.
- 2.1.2 The Vision for Education agreed by Cabinet at their meeting on 21 May 2008 will underpin the development of the strategic approach to school reorganisation.
- 2.1.3 Cabinet's commitment to changing school reorganisation in Harrow is consistent with a range of National and Local policies impacting currently on Children's Services and schools. These include:
  - the aspirations from the Children's Plan,
  - Every Child Matters
  - the local authority's role as champion for pupils and parents
  - the consultation on BSF and the opportunity to re-submit expressions of interest to bring forward BSF funding for Harrow schools, and
  - the investment opportunity provided through the DCSF Primary Capital Programme.

# 2.2 Background

- 2.2.1 At their meeting in October 2007, Cabinet agreed a Strategic Approach to School Organisation. The rationale for changing school organisation was outlined in the report grouped under the headings Organisation, Education and Social Factors and Stakeholder Support. Cabinet resolved:
  - i) Commitment to implementing changes in the age of transfer from 12 to 11 years of age to secondary school and from 8 to 7 years of age to Junior School.
  - ii) To establish a Stakeholder Reference Group.
  - iii) The submission of a revised Building Schools for the Future (BSF) bid in accordance with the Department for Children, Schools and Families guidance be agreed.
  - iv) An amended amalgamation policy be agreed.
- 2.2.2 The amalgamation policy continues to be implemented when circumstances within the policy are met. Proposals arising from the application of the amalgamation policy will be reported to Cabinet accordingly.
- 2.2.3 The DCSF are undertaking a consultation on the management of future waves of the BSF programme. It is expected that guidance will be issued in August and submission made by October 2008. To enable the preparation and submission of the consultation response and the Expression of Interest, Cabinet are requested to agree to delegate responsibility to the Director of Schools and Children's Development in consultation with the Portfolio Holder Schools and Children's Development to agree the submissions in accordance with the DCSF's timeline and guidance.

2.2.4 The remaining focus of this report is on the Stakeholder Reference Group and proposals to consult on changing the age of transfer.

# **Options considered**

# 2.3 School Organisation in Harrow

- 2.3.1 There are several models of school organisation in Harrow. Community schools in the primary sector in Harrow are organised as separate first schools, Reception to Year 3, separate middle schools, Year 4 to Year 7, combined first and middle schools Reception to Year 7. High schools are currently Year 8 to Year 11; however the addition of sixth forms means that from September 2008, the high schools will be Year 8 to Year 13. The organisation of the special schools will also need to be reviewed to align them with mainstream schools. There are more flexible practices currently that allow some pupils to transfer to special high schools at the end of Year 6.
- 2.3.2 The Strategic Approach to School Reorganisation project is inclusive of the voluntary aided sector. Voluntary aided schools are included in the discussions to do with the project and the workstreams. The education vision has been discussed with diocesan bodies, who are supportive of the approach.
- 2.3.3 The primary schools in the voluntary aided sector (Roman Catholic, Church of England, Jewish and Hindu) are combined first and middle schools or primary schools. The Roman Catholic secondary schools are Year 7 to Year 11. From September 2009 these secondary schools will be Year 7 to Year 13. The Governing Bodies have responsibility for the organisation of their schools. It is proposed that local authority officers offer to work with the governing bodies of the voluntary aided schools to co-ordinate the process for them to bring forward statutory notices, if they so choose, to make changes and align their schools with the arrangements proposed for community sector schools.
- 2.3.4 The proposed reorganisation for Community Schools is summarised in the table below. There are no proposals to change the number of places in the first and middle schools. The proposals for individual schools are listed in Annexe 1.

| Current Organisation (no. of schools)         | Year Groups            | Proposed Organisation (no. of | Year Groups            |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| ,   |                        | schools)                      |                        |
| First Schools (16)*                           | Reception to<br>Year 3 | Infant Schools<br>(16)*       | Reception to<br>Year 2 |
| Middle Schools<br>(16)*                       | Year 4 to Year 7       | Junior Schools<br>(16)*       | Year 3 to Year 6       |
| Combined First<br>and Middle<br>Schools (13)* | Reception to<br>Year 7 | Primary<br>Schools (13)*      | Reception to<br>Year 6 |

| Special Schools (2)         | Reception to<br>Year 7 | Special Primary<br>Schools (2) | Reception to<br>Year 6 |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| High Schools (8) **         | Year 8 to Year 11      | Secondary<br>Schools (8)       | Year 7 to Year 13      |
| Special High<br>Schools (2) | Year 7 to Year 13      | No change                      |                        |

### Notes:

- \* These numbers may be subject to change. On 21 May 2008, Cabinet decided to publish statutory proposals to amalgamate the West Lodge schools. There may be further consultations about proposals to amalgamate schools that may affect these numbers.
- \*\* With effect from September 2008, community high schools will be Year 8 to Year 13 including sixth form provision

# 2.4 Timescale for Implementation of Proposals

2.4.1 It is proposed that school reorganisation is implemented in September 2010 and that the proposals for each individual school are subject of consultation in accordance with the DCSF Guidance Stage 1 during September, with the consultation ending in early December 2008. An outline high level timeline is provided in Annexe 2.

# 2.5 Impact of School Reorganisation

- 2.5.1 The strategic change to school organisation proposed is a complex project that will impact on all community schools in Harrow and has the potential to impact on those schools in the voluntary aided sector also organised with Year 7 pupils. The headline impacts are:
  - In September 2010, the first year of the change, pupils in Year 2 and Year 3 at the end of the summer term 2010 in separate first schools will transfer to the newly established junior schools. In the current Academic Year 2007-08 these pupils are in Reception and Year 1.
  - Pupils in Year 6 and Year 7 at the end of the summer term 2010 in separate middle schools and combined schools will transfer to newly established secondary schools. In the current Academic Year 2007-08 these pupils are in Years 4 and 5.
  - The admissions arrangements will need to be agreed in accordance with the statutory process, meet the requirements of the New Code of Practice and the Admissions Service will need to manage four cohorts of pupils transferring in September 2010.
  - SEN statements for all pupils transferring will need to be completed and appropriate induction and curriculum planning in place.
  - Appropriate accommodation will need to be available for the pupils changing schools and capital funding deployed to meet these needs. Available sources include Schools Devolved Formula Capital, DCSF modernisation and Basic Need funding, Primary Capital Programme and BSF funding.
  - School budgets will need to be adjusted to reflect the movement of pupils, and transitional arrangements agreed within the available funding from the Direct Schools Grant (DSG)

- School staffing structures will need to be reviewed and appointments made appropriate for the school organisation
- Parents, staff and governors will need to be consulted and informed of the proposals and the changes
- Statutory processes will need to be completed to implement the changes
- Curriculum planning, teaching and learning strategies, induction processes etc will need to be in place for the schools

# 2.6 Stakeholder Reference Group

- 2.6.1 The Stakeholder Reference Group was established in February 2008. It is a representative group with the remit to provide advice and guidance on the refinement of proposals and options for implementation to change the age of transfer. The Group is chaired by the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services and is supported by a range of officers.
- 2.6.2 The Stakeholder Reference Group (SRG), which is not a decision-making group, has considered a range of focused workstreams regarding school reorganisation. These are listed as follows:
  - i) Admissions
  - ii) Capital
  - iii) Consultation and Communication
  - iv) Curriculum, Teaching and Learning
  - v) Early Years and Extended Schools
  - vi) Finance
  - vii) Pupil Projections and Demographics
  - viii) School Leadership, Governance and Management
  - ix) Special Education Needs
  - x) Workforce Strategy
- 2.6.3 A Project Officer Team supports the SRG. Each workstream within the project is lead by a senior officer. There are representative working groups for the Admissions, Finance and Workforce Strategy workstreams with headteachers, governors and union representatives. Officers are developing the other work streams. There are links and cross cutting themes between all the workstreams and the working groups meet jointly as required. Each workstream has a project scope document which includes reference to key milestones. The diagram in Annexe 3 illustrates the workstream groups.

# 2.7 Workstreams Progress to Date on Key Impacts Admissions

2.7.1 The Admissions Group are considering admission arrangements to ensure that they meet the Admissions Code of Practice and are fair to all parents. The arrangements are also being considered in the context of proposed changes to school organisation. There will be an exercise during June and July 2008 to gather 'soundings' on models of admissions. This will be followed by a formal consultation in the Autumn Term 2008. The models developed for consultation will be informed by the soundings.

# Capital

- 2.7.2 School Site Development Plans for all high schools have been commissioned and are being agreed with Headteachers and Chairs of Governors. The plans include the provision for Year 7 pupils and the sixth forms. These plans will form the basis of the BSF submission in September 2008.
- 2.7.3 In the primary school sector, there is a rolling programme of completing School Site Development Plans. The Schools' Asset Management Data has been reviewed and up-dated. A desktop exercise is being undertaken to identify potential capacity in schools, which could be used to expand capacity for places in the future. The submission for the Primary Capital Programme is being prepared and agreed for submission by 16 June 2008.

# **Consultation and Communications**

2.7.4 A communication and consultation plan is being developed that will be implemented following the Cabinet decision in June. There will be a DCSF Statutory Stage 1 consultation from September to December 2008. The Stakeholder Reference Group considered the most efficient mechanisms for communication and suggested the following: school based meetings using a standard presentation prepared by the local authority, road shows, newsletters for staff, governors and parents in addition to a website and dedicated email address.

# Curriculum, Teaching and Learning/Leadership, Governance and Management

2.7.5 The approach adopted to address School Improvement and Leadership issues is to mainstream activities arising from changes to school organisation to Harrow's School Improvement Strategies. For example, the Review of the Secondary Curriculum would be implemented nationally but in Harrow this will now be in the context of the change in age of transfer. Opportunities to engage school senior management teams are being implemented to support the development of approaches to a range of issues including pupils' induction programmes, pastoral systems, curriculum planning. This group has a link with the Workforce Strategy in relation to workforce restructuring and training for staff. Investigations are being undertaken to confirm if New Instruments of Governance are required.

# **Finance**

2.7.6 There have been a series of modelling exercises undertaken to illustrate the overall impact on school budgets generated by funding following pupils. The challenge for this group is to move from a high level position of understanding to more specific impact on individual school budgets and then to determine an acceptable middle position. Further considerations are being given to the Government's Minimum Funding Guarantee, LA Protection and transitional funding arrangements that are affordable within the available resources of the Direct Schools Grant (DSG) and avoid redundancies and associated costs.

# **Pupil Projections and Demographics**

2.7.7 Pupil population and roll projections have been completed and there is an indication of an increase in the number of 4-10 year olds by 2015.

This is generated from increases in population and potential growth in child yield from housing developments. Schools will be identified with the potential to increase capacity for places in the future.

# **Special Educational Needs**

2.7.8 The main issues highlighted to date are the need for statements of special educational needs to be reviewed and published for all pupils transferring and to ensure that the needs of pupils with special educational needs are met within the planning of the curriculum group. The special schools' age ranges will need to be aligned with primary and secondary phases. This will mirror the current practices.

# **Workforce Strategy**

2.7.9 An initial impact assessment exercise has been completed to identify the potential number of posts affected by the proposed changes. This is based on general assumptions, which need to be developed further into specific assumptions. The effects on schools will vary according to the profile of the staff and existing staffing structures. The group are working towards an agreed statement on the avoidance of redundancy and process for managing change. Advice regarding re-structuring will be re-issued to schools after Cabinet. There will be further joint meetings with the Finance Group to ensure that resource issues are considered together.

# 2.8 Implications of the Recommendation Equalities Impact

2.8.1 An initial Equalities Impact Assessment has been undertaken and this will be reviewed throughout the project. Overall the alignment of Harrow community schools with the VA sector and neighbouring boroughs will enhance the equality of opportunity and choice for young people.

# Legal comments

- 2.8.2 The Education and Inspections Act 2006 provides a framework for consultation, publication and determination of statutory notices in respect of proposals for schools, including changing the age range. There are responsibilities for both local authorities and governing bodies within this legislation to bring forward proposals for changes to schools. Changes to Admissions Arrangements are also included in this Legislation.
- 2.8.3 If the project proceeds school governing bodies will have access to legal advice under the terms of their Service Level Agreement (SLA) for Legal Services and for Human Resources and Development Services.

# 2.9 Financial Implications

2.9.1 The School Reorganisation project is being managed currently within existing resources. In the formation of the implementation strategies, each of the workstream leads is developing the business case for additional resources. It is expected in some areas that there will need to be a time limited additional resource. For example, managing four cohorts of admissions for September 2010 and, supporting schools to re-structure accordingly. Additional resources will only be considered where the School Reorganisation project is generating additional work

- that would not usually arise as part of a service. Any additional requirements for school organisation will be included in the MTBS process.
- 2.9.2 The Finance Working Group is considering the revenue implications for Schools. Any changes to the funding formula will need to be agreed by the Schools Forum and contained within the Dedicated Schools Grant.
- 2.9.3 Capital funding will be available from a range of sources including Schools' Devolved Formula Capital, DCSF Modernisation Funding, Primary Capital Programme and Building Schools for the Future.
- 2.9.4 For Harrow to be part of the Building Schools for the Future programme there will need to be sufficient funding to support the process and satisfy the DCSF that this will be available. The process includes the development of Strategies for Change for Schools for each school. In addition, the Council will need to establish an appropriate vehicle to procure the building programme. The DCSF's preferred model is a Local Education Partnership (LEP). This procurement will be through the Competitive Dialogue Process and will incur costs for technical, legal and other professional advisers. The costs will be developed further once the position of Harrow in the BSF programme is clarified.

# 2.10 Performance Issues

- 2.10.1 Delivering School Reorganisation so that Harrow Schools are in line with the national agenda is Council Improvement Plan project IP7D and contributes to a range of performance indicators, in particular the following from the new National Indicator Set. NI 72 109 'Enjoy and Achieve' indicators covering Key Stage achievement and progression, narrowing the gap for lower performing and vulnerable groups, attendance, behaviour, special educational needs.
- 2.10.2 Whilst Harrow's performance is currently above national and statistical neighbours averages at all Key Stages, Harrow's targets, which are set annually for the DCSF, are highly challenging. The table below presents Harrow's performance against its targets and the national averages.

# Harrow's 2006-07 Results

| KS1         | Actual | Target  | National |
|-------------|--------|---------|----------|
| Reading L2+ | 84.7%  | Not set | 84%      |
| Writing L2+ | 81.0%  | Not set | 80%      |
| Maths L2+   | 90.5%  | Not set | 90%      |
| Science L2+ | 88.2%  | Not set | 89%      |
| KS2         | Actual | Target  | National |
| English L4+ | 82%    | 85%     | 80%      |
| Maths L4+   | 79%    | 85%     | 77%      |
| Science L4+ | 88%    | Not set | 88%      |
| KS3         | Actual | Target  | National |
| English L5+ | 79%    | 82%     | 74%      |
| Maths L5+   | 79%    | 80%     | 76%      |
| Science L5+ | 75%    | 78%     | 73%      |

| GCSE               | Actual | Target  | National |
|--------------------|--------|---------|----------|
| % 5+ A*-C          | 68.0%  | 67.5%   | 62.0%    |
| % 5+ A*-C incl E&M | 56.1%  | Not set | 46.8%    |

# 2.11 Risk Management Implications

2.11.1 Each of the work stream leads has developed a Risk Log including actions to mitigate potential risks. These will be subject to on-going review and development.

# **Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance**

| Name: Bharat Jashapara √           | on behalf of the<br>Chief Financial Officer              |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Date: 23.5.08                      |  |
| Name: Helen White √  Date: 20.5.08 | on behalf of the<br>Monitoring Officer                   |
| Section 4 – Performance Officer C  | Clearance  |
| Name: David Harrington √           | on behalf of the<br>Divisional Director<br>(Strategy and |
| Date: 22.5.08                      | Improvement)   |

# **Section 5 - Contact Details and Background Papers**

Contact: Johanna Morgan, Service Manager, Partnerships and Well-Being, 020 8736 6841

# **Background Papers:**

Paper 1 Cabinet Report Strategic Approach to School Organisation

October 2007

Paper 2 Department for Children Schools and families (DCSF) Building

Schools for the Future (BSF) Consultation

| DRAFT   |
|---|
| Current and Proposed Organisation for Primary Phase Schools |

| Separate First Schools    | Current Organisation          |                   |                         | Proposed Organisation      |                               |                   |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Separate First Schools    | Year Groups<br>September 2008 | No of Year Groups | Planned Admission<br>No | Proposed Organisation      | Year Groups<br>September 2010 | No of Year Groups | Planned Admission<br>No |
| Belmont First School      | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 60                      | Belmont Infant School      | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 60                      |
| Cannon Lane First School  | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Cannon Lane Infant School  | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Elmgrove First School     | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 82                      | Elmgrove Infant School     | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 82                      |
| Grange First School       | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 60                      | Grange Infant School       | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 60                      |
| Kenmore Park First        | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Kenmore Park Infant School | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Longfield First           | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Longfield Infant School    | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Pinner Park First School  | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Pinner Park Infant School  | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Priestmead First          | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Priestmead Infant School   | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Roxbourne First School    | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Roxbourne Infant School    | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Roxeth Manor First School | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Roxeth Manor Infant School | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Stag Lane First School    | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Stag Lane Infant School    | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Stanburn First            | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Stanburn Infant School     | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Weald First School        | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Weald Infant School        | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Welldon Park First School | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Welldon Park Infant School | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| West Lodge First          | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | West Lodge Infant School   | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |
| Whitchurch First          | Reception to Year 3           | 4                 | 90                      | Whitchurch Infant School   | Reception to Year 2           | 3                 | 90                      |

| Separate Middle Schools    | Current Organisation          |                   |                         | Proposed Organisation      |                               |                   |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Separate initiale scrioors | Year Groups<br>September 2008 | No of Year Groups | Planned Admission<br>No | Proposed Organisation      | Year Groups<br>September 2010 | No of Year Groups | Planned Admission<br>No |
| Belmont Middle School      | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 60                      | Belmont Junior School      | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 60                      |
| Cannon Lane Middle         | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Cannon Lane Junior School  | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Elmgrove Middle School     | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 82                      | Elmgrove Junior School     | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 82                      |
| Grange Middle School       | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 60                      | Grange Junior School       | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 60                      |
| Kenmore Park Middle School | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Kenmore Park Junior School | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Longfield Middle School    | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Longfield Junior School    | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Pinner Park Middle School  | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Pinner Park Junior School  | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Priestmead Middle          | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Priestmead Junior School   | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Roxbourne Middle School    | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Roxbourne Junior School    | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Roxeth Manor Middle School | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Roxeth Manor Junior School | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Stag Lane Middle School    | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Stag Lane Junior School    | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Stanburn Middle            | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Stanburn Junior School     | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Weald Middle School        | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Weald Junior School        | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Welldon Park Middle School | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Welldon Park Junior School | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| West Lodge Middle School   | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | West Lodge Junior School   | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |
| Whitchurch Middle          | Year 4 to Year 7              | 4                 | 90                      | Whitchurch Junior School   | Year 3 to Year 6              | 4                 | 90                      |

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Current and Proposed Organisation for Primary Phase Schools

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| Combined Schools                 | Current Organisation          |                   | Proposed Organisation   |                                |                               |                   |                         |
| Combined Schools                 | Year Groups<br>September 2008 | No of Year Groups | Planned Admission<br>No | Proposed Organisation          | Year Groups<br>September 2010 | No of Year Groups | Planned Admission<br>No |
| Alyward F & M School             | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Alyward Primary                | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Cedars Manor F& M School         | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Cedars Manor Primary           | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Earlsmead F& M School            | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Earlsmead Primary              | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Glebe F& M School                | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 52                      | Glebe Primary                  | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 52                      |
| Grimsdyke F& M School            | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Grimsdyke Primary              | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Little Stanmore F& M School      | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 30                      | Little Stanmore Primary        | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 30                      |
| Marlborough F& M School          | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Marlborough Primary            | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Newton Farm F & M School         | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 30                      | Newton Farm Primary            | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 30                      |
| Norbury F& M School              | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Norbury Primary                | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Pinner Wood F& M School          | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Pinner Wood Primary            | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Roxeth Nursery, First and Middle | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Roxeth Primary                 | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Vaughan F& M School              | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Vaughan Primary                | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |
| Whitefriars F& M School          | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                      | Whitefriars Primary School     | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                      |

| Special Schools       | Current Organisation          |                   |                  | Proposed Organisation    |                               |                   |                 |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| opeolal concols       | Year Groups<br>September 2008 | No of Year Groups | Number of Places | Proposed Organisation    | Year Groups<br>September 2010 | No of Year Groups | Number of Plaes |
| Alexandra F& M School | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 |                  | Alexandra Primary School | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 |                 |
| Woodlands School      | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 |                  | Woodlands Primary School | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 |                 |

| Voluntary Aided Schools   | Current Organisation          |                   |                                | Proposed Organisation            |                               |                          |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Voluntary Alded Schools   | Year Groups<br>September 2008 | No of Year Groups | Planned Admission No Reception | Proposed Organisation            | Year Groups<br>September 2010 | No of Year Groups        | Planned Admission<br>No |
| St Anselm Primary         | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                             |                                  |                               |                          |                         |
| St Bernadettes RC Primary | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                             |                                  |                               |                          |                         |
| St George's Primary       | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                             | Any changes to voluntary aided s | chools will need to be co     | nsidered and brought for | rward by the Governing  |
| St John Fisher RC F&M     | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                             |                                  | Bodies and Diocesa            | an Boards                |                         |
| St Josephs Primary School | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 60                             |                                  |                               |                          |                         |
| St Teresa's F&M School    | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                             |                                  |                               |                          |                         |
| St John's C of E School   | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 60                             |                                  |                               |                          |                         |
| Moriah Primary            | Reception to Year 6           | 7                 | 30                             |                                  |                               |                          |                         |
| Krishna Avanti            | Reception to Year 7           | 8                 | 30                             |                                  |                               |                          |                         |

| First Schools   | 16 |
|-----------------|----|
| Middle Schools  | 16 |
| Combined        | 13 |
| Special Primary | 2  |
| VA              | 9  |
| Total           | 56 |

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# DRAFT Current and Proposed School Organisation for Community High Schools

| High Schools              | Current Organisation          |                      |   | Proposed Organisation         |                      |  |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|----------------------|--|
|                           | Year Groups<br>September 2008 | No of Year<br>Groups | Planned<br>Admission No<br>Years 8 - 11 | Year Groups<br>September 2010 | No of Year<br>Groups | Planned<br>Admission No<br>Year 7 - 11 *** |
| Bentley Wood High School  | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 180                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 180  |
| Canons High School        | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 180                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 180  |
| Hatch End High School     | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 300                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 300  |
| Harrow High School        | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 180                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 180  |
| Nower Hill High School    | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 300                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 300  |
| Park High School          | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 280                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 300  |
| Rooks Heath High School   | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 210                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 270  |
| Whitmore High School      | Year 8 to Year 13             | 6                    | 260                                     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    | 270  |
| Kingsley High School*     | Year 7 to Year 13             | 7                    |   | No change                     |                      |  |
| Shaftesbury High School** | Year 7 to Year 14             | 6                    |   | Year 7 to Year 14             | 7                    |  |

<sup>\*</sup>Kingsley High School - no change is required to Kingsley High School. Special Schools do not have Planned Admission Numbers but a total number of places

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Shaftesbury High School - Special Schools do not have Planned Admission Numbers but a total number of places

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Planned Admission No Year 7 - these are the maximum number of places being considered.

# Strategic Approach to School Re-Organisation In Harrow

# **High Level Outline Plan**

| Date           | Action   |  |  |  |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| February 2008  | Establish Stakeholder Reference Group  |  |  |  |
| June 2008      | Report to Cabinet on Proposals for Consultation  |  |  |  |
| July 2008      | Soft Consultation starts   |  |  |  |
| September 2008 | Formal Consultation on Proposals for change  |  |  |  |
| December 2008  | Consultation ends  |  |  |  |
| January 2009   | Report to Cabinet outcomes of consultation   |  |  |  |
| February 2009  | Publish Statutory Notices  |  |  |  |
| March 2009     | Report to Cabinet to Determine Statutory Notices   |  |  |  |
| September 2010 | Year 7 & 8 pupils admitted to Secondary Schools Year 3 & 4 pupils admitted to Junior Schools |  |  |  |

This diagram illustrates Workstreams reporting to the SRG. The lead of the workstream is in italics For some groups there are specific working groups with representative headteachers, governors and union members. The SRG is not a decision making group. Cabinet are responsible for final decisions. Where there are other formal stages in the decision making process these are indicated in the text.

Stakeholder Reference Group Councillors Headteacher Governors **Professional** Christine Bednell Sangita Patel Representatives **Associations** First Schools & (Chair) Janice Howkins Lynne Ahmad Bill Stephenson High Schools Middle Schools UNISON Anjana Patel Pauline Atkins Diana La Rue Lynne Snowdon Special Schools **High Schools** NUT Sue Chaplin Joy Lawrence John Dunbar Combined F&M **GMB** Middle Schools Schools Kim James First Schools **Local Authority** Chris McDermott Heather Clements First & Middle Schools **Director Schools** and Children's Development

2 dmissions

M.Hitchens Sub-group of the Admissions Forum and a SRG working group, Any proposals will be considered by the Admissions Forum and referred to Cabinet for decision. Progress is reported to the SRG

# Capital

A.Gibbons

Officer team working on capital investment strategies across all schools in Harrow to enable the change of school organisation including BSF and the PCP. Progress is reported to the SRG. Decisions will be made by Cabinet in relation to BSF and PCP.

#### Communications & Consultation

C.Mellv An officer group including the Council's Comms Unit, to coordinate the overview messages and progress as provided by the Workstreams, It will lead the Statutory Consultation and

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processes.

# Curriculum Teaching & Learning

A.Parker The working group incorporates planning into the established School Improvement work undertaken in partnership with the schools

# Early Years and Extended **Schools**

W.Beeton Early Years Reform Group and the Childcare Development Group undertake work in this area and report to the Integrated Early Years and Childcare Partnership. Update reports to

SRG.

B.Jashapara A sub-group of the Schools Forum and a SRG working group. Any proposals will be considered by the Schools Forum and referred to Cabinet for decision. Progress is reported to the SRG

**Finance** 

# Pupil **Projections and Demographics**

L.Defries An officer group considers pupil projections, and options are developed to address changes in provision of school places. The data is reviewed and updated on an annual basis. Updates to SRG.

### School Leadership, Management & Governance A.Parker

The working

group incorporates planning into the established School Improvement work undertaken in partnership with the schools

#### SEN

R.Rickman Officer lead to adress issues for pupils in mainstream schools with SEN and the special schools. Issues arising considered by the Learning Difficulties and Disability (LDD) Advisory Group and reported to the SRG.

### Workforce

P.Turner Progress is reported to the SRG. Changes to HR Policy is subject to consultation. Any proposals will be considered by the **Employees** Consultative Forum and referred to Cabinet for decision.