

## **School Re-organisation Stakeholder Reference Group**

### **Purpose**

The School Re-Organisation Stakeholder Reference Group is a representative group to provide advice and guidance on the refinement of proposals and options for implementation, and consultation and communication strategies in the first instance.

It is expected that the Reference Group will be established in January 2008 or as appropriate with the proposed DCSF Building Schools for the Future consultation and outcomes.

This group will be reviewed once the consultation phase has been completed and implementation is in progress.

Members of the reference Group will be required to consult and disseminate information to constituent groups accordingly.

A draft work programme will be developed for the group when it is established. It is expected that the Reference Group will consider a range of issues including:

- Consultations and communication strategy
- Strategic proposals
- Admissions
- Finance
- Workforce Strategy

### **Membership**

- Portfolio holder with responsibility for schools (Chair)
- Councillors (2)
- Combined First and Middle School Headteacher
- First School Headteacher
- Middle School Headteacher
- High School Headteacher
- Special School Headteacher
- Representative Governors x 4 (including parent governors)
- Union Representative x2
- Director of Schools and Children's Development

Officers will attend as required

### **Focus Groups**

A range of Focus Groups will be formed to work in conjunction with the Reference Group. Focus Groups will be used according to the nature of the issue. Therefore it is not intended that all Groups will consider all issues. Some groups may only meet once, or may be one-off events to consider specific issues.