Bath & North East Somerset Council			
MEETING/ DECISION MAKER:	Early Years, Children and Youth Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel		
MEETING/ DECISION DATE:	29 September 2014	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:	
TITLE:	School Admissions – September 2014		
WARD:	All		
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM			
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Appendix A – Primary School Admissions September 2014			
Appendix B – Secondary School Admissions September 2014			
Appendix C – Updated position for Primary Schools September 2014			
Appendix D – Updated position for Secondary Schools September 2014			

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 To provide a briefing on the pattern of admissions to Primary and Secondary Schools in September 2014.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Early Years, Children and Youth Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel is asked to:

2.1 Consider and note the pattern of admissions to Primary and Secondary Schools in September 2014.

3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

3.1 None

4 THE REPORT

Primary Admissions

- 4.1 The closing date for September 2014 primary admissions was the 15th January 2014. The offer date was the 16th April 2014. Appendix A shows the individual details for each school.
- 4.2 A total of 1722 children were offered their 1st preference school [92.83%]. The number of children refused their 1st preference school was 133 [7.17%]. In September 2013 these figures were 93.4 % and 6.6% respectively. A total of 98.44% of children were offered one of their overall preferences and only 29 children [1.56%] did not get a place at one of their preferred schools.
- 4.3 Following the initial allocations further rounds of allocations have taken place and appeals have been heard. The updated position at each school is attached as Appendix C.

Secondary Admissions

- 4.4 The closing date for September 2014 secondary admissions was the 31st October 2013. The offer date was the 3rd March 2014. Appendix B shows the individual total for each school.
 - 4.5 A total of 1998 children were offered their 1st preference school [93.62%]. The number of children refused their 1st preference school was 159 [6.38%]. In September 2013 these figures were 94.9% and 5.1%. A total of 98.9% of children were offered one of their overall preferences and only 22 children [1.1%] did not get a place at one of their preferred schools.
- 4.6 Following the initial allocations further rounds of allocations have taken place and appeals have been heard. The updated position at each school is attached as Appendix D.

5 CONSULTATION

5.1 Staff; Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

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