

Bath & North East Somerset Council

MEETING/ DECISION MAKER:	Children & Young People Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel	
MEETING/ DECISION DATE:	15 September 2015	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:
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TITLE:	The Local Authority School Improvement Policy	
WARD:	All	
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1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 It is a requirement that all local authorities set out in policy how they fulfil their statutory functions in relation to supporting school improvement. This report is for information and provides an update to the Panel on the revised School Improvement Policy.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 None

3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

- 3.1 None

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS AND BASIS FOR PROPOSAL

- 4.1 None

5 THE REPORT

- 5.1 All Local Authorities are subject to Ofsted Inspection of their School Improvement functions. A School Improvement Policy was in place and revised in 2013. Following new guidance issued by Ofsted in November 2014 on how it

will conduct the inspection of Local Authority's carries out its statutory function for school improvement, it was necessary to revise our policy to meet these new requirements. Officers have consulted with key partners to raise awareness of the new requirements and ensure that the revised policy is compliant.

6 RATIONALE

6.1 None

7 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

7.1 None

8 CONSULTATION

8.1 Consultation has taken place with head teachers, chairs of governors, the Diocese of Bath and Wells, the Diocese of Clifton, The Partnership Teaching School, members of the Senior Leadership Team in the People and Communities Directorate and JCC.

9 RISK MANAGEMENT

9.1 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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Background papers	<i>List here any background papers not included with this report, and where/how they are available for inspection.</i>
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