

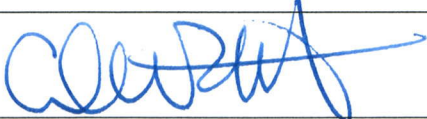
Single Member Cabinet Decision

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**E2246**

**South West Grid for Learning – Review of Articles of Association**

<b>Decision maker/s</b>	Cllr Chris Watt, Cabinet Member for Children's Service
<b>The Issue</b>	To agree revised Articles of Association for the SWGfL of which Bath and North East Somerset is a member.
<b>Decision Date</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> March 2011
<b>The decision</b>	The Cabinet Member agrees: 1.1 The Revised Articles of Association of the South West Grid for Learning. 1.2 Delegated to the Strategic Director for Children's Service any actions required to implement the changes on behalf of Bath and North East Somerset Council in its role as a member of the SWGfL.
<b>Rationale for decision</b>	The Council is a member of the SWGfL which provides broadband connectivity and related services to all maintained schools in the South West region. Following changes to the funding of Schools' ICT and Broadband by the Government and in order to be able to respond to these and other environmental changes, the Board of Trustees have proposed amendments to the Articles of Association. SWGfL continues to be able to meet its purpose and charitable objects. All member local authorities are required to agree these changes.
<b>Financial and budget implications</b>	The costs associated with the provision of broadband connectivity and related services are fully contained within the Dedicated Schools Grant and there are no implications for the Council.
<b>Issues considered</b>	Social Inclusion; Improving life chances for disadvantaged teenagers and young people; Narrowing the attainment/achievement gap for disadvantaged groups.
<b>Consultation undertaken</b>	Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer
<b>How consultation was carried out</b>	Report copied to relevant officers for comment.
<b>Other options considered</b>	None

<b>Signatures of Decision Makers</b>	
<b>Date of Signature</b>	210311
<b>Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision</b>	