



**SEND POST 16 HOME TO SCHOOL/COLLEGE TRAVEL
CONTRIBUTION AND REVIEW OF TRAVEL CARE POLICIES**

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Purpose of the Report

1. This report asks the Council to note the urgent action taken by the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance in approving the SEND Post 16 Home to School/College Travel Contribution and Review of Travel Care Policies.

Background

2. The Cabinet on 23 May 2017 considered a report on the above and agreed the following (Minute C8 - 2017/18 refers):
 - (i) That the proposal of a parental/learner contribution charge of £650 per year for Post 16 travel support be approved.
 - (ii) That subject to (iv) below, low income families be exempt from charges.
 - (iii) That the additional changes to Pre 16, Post 16 and Adult Social Care Assisted Travel Policies as set out in paragraph 12 to the report be approved in principle.
 - (iv) That the Interim Service Director, Commissioning following consultation with the Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance, the Leader of the Council and relevant portfolio holders, be authorised to make any necessary final amendments to the policies referred to at (iii) above prior to their publication.
 - (v) That the impact of the policies be reviewed after 12 months and a further report submitted to Cabinet.
3. The Interim Service Director, Commissioning has made the necessary amendments to the policies referred to at (iii) above and acted in accordance with the delegation at (iv) above.
4. In order for the contribution charge for the provision of Post 16 travel support to be introduced from September 2017 this needed to be published in the revised Post 16 Home to School/College Travel Policy by 31 May 2017.
5. The Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance has, as a matter of urgency to meet this deadline, confirmed the policy changes and introduction of a contribution charge for Post 16 travel support, in the absence

of a Council Meeting before the required date. This is in accordance with Schedule 2 - Non-Executive Functions Part 2 – General Delegations to Managers, Paragraph 3(d) – urgent action procedure.

Recommendation

6. The Council is recommended to note and endorse the urgent action taken.

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