

OFFICIAL EXECUTIVE DECISION NOTICE

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Title of report	HOME TO SCHOOL TRAVEL ASSISTANCE POLICY 2020/2021
Reference No.	CMD 159
Date of decision	09 June 2021
Call-in expiry date	5pm, on 16 June 2021
Relevant Select Committee(s)	Families, Health and Wellbeing Select Committee
Relevant Ward(s)	All Wards

Decision made

Cabinet Members making the decision	Councillor Susan O'Brien - Cabinet Member for Families, Education & Wellbeing
DECISION	That the Cabinet Member for Families, Education and Wellbeing approved the adoption of the Home to School Travel Assistance Policy for 5-16 Year Olds 2020/21.
Reason for decision	The previous Home to School Travel Assistance Policy dates from 2015/16 and was due for review. However, the Post 16 policy remains current, adhering to the statutory duty to review the document annually. The intention was to introduce the policy for 5-16 year olds in order to assess applications for transport from September 2021. The benefit to residents was that the overall home to school transport strategy is consistent with the London Borough of Hillingdon's broader SEND strategy regarding enabling independence, improving quality of life and sustaining lifelong inclusion in mainstream activities. These objectives will be delivered by continuing the current multi-agency approach - working with students, schools, parents, social care, SENDIAS and other stakeholders - to ensure the very best outcomes for students.
Alternative options considered and rejected	To retain the existing Policy which would not have provided the framework to deliver the outcomes set out in the report. As the same legislation and statutory guidance had been applied there was no increase in risk from the previous Policy, although the legal advice had been that, should parents refuse Independent Travel Training, then alternative provision must be supplied. The Policy has been amended to reflect this advice.

Classification	Public
Link to report	<u>Here</u>
(if public)	
Relevant Officer	Darren Thorpe, Social Care and Health
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Decision implementation

Where required, these decisions have been taken under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

Officers can implement this decision from: Wednesday 16 June 2021- from 5pm

...unless this is called in by the relevant Select Committee set out above. Officers will be notified of any call-in received.

Further information

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