

# MAJOR REVIEW

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## REASON FOR ITEM

The Committee has agreed the major review topic "Major review of the local authority's current and future relationship with academies and free schools".

Three witness sessions are planned, on 23 November 2016, 11 January 2017 and 14 February 2017.

## OPTIONS OPEN TO THE COMMITTEE

The Committee is asked to consider the evidence given by witnesses, together with the background information provided in the appendices.

## INFORMATION

1. At the last meeting, Members were provided with the scoping report for the review (Appendix 1) and were provided with details on the background to the reasons for the review.
2. Comparison data for key stages is provided in Appendix 2.
3. For this meeting, a number of witnesses have been invited to provide an overview of the Council's current position.

### Witnesses

- Councillor David Simmonds, Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services
- Laurie Baker - Head of School Improvement/Education Quality & Strategy
- Peter Malewicz - Finance Manager, Children and Young People
- Laura Palmer - School Placement and Admissions Team Manager
- Jackie Wright - Head of Disability Services