SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 13 June 2014 by the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Families.

Date notified to all members: Monday 16 June 2014

The end of the call-in period is 4:00 pm on Friday 20 June 2014

Unless called-in, the decision can be implemented from Saturday 21 June 2014

1. TITLE

School Calendar for the Academic Year 2015/16

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

The Executive Director: Children, Young People and Families in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children's Services are requested to approves:

- (ii) The School Calendar as presented at Appendix C in the report for the 2015/16 Academic Year. This is the same model that has been agreed by Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham Authorities.
- (ii) Transition dates for the primary to secondary for Wednesday 1 and Thursday 2 July 2015.
- (iii) That schools traditionally used as Polling Stations for local elections be asked to designate the first Thursday in May as a Training Day.

3. Reasons For Decision

Following the consultation, it was clear that there was a desire to consolidate term dates with all local Authorities but especially Derbyshire and Rotherham.

If the Authority set the same calendar as Derbyshire, it would mean that Sheffield would operate different term dates at February half term and Easter to those operated in Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham. Having considered the term dates proposed by Authorities across Yorkshire and Northumberland the majority actually concur with the calendar recommended by the Local Government Association. This is the recommendation on which all neighbouring Authorities have based their calendars.

Whilst it is disappointing that full agreement could not be reached with Derbyshire, the proposed calendar does correspond with all other South Yorkshire Authorities and with all but the February half term in Derbyshire

4. Alternatives Considered And Rejected

There were no alternative options outlined for consideration.

5. Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted N/A

6. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**Executive Director, Children, Young People and Families

Relevant Scrutiny Committee If Decision Called In
Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee