

## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

### INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022 by the Executive Member for Education, Children and Families.

Date notified to all members: 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022

The end of the call-in period is 4:00 pm on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Unless called-in, the decision can be implemented from 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022

1. **TITLE**

School Calendar 2023/24

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Executive Member for Education, Children and Families approve the School calendar for the 2023/24 academic year.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

It is recommended that Appendix A of the report be approved as the model school calendar for the 2023/24 academic year. The calendar applies to all Community schools, Voluntary Controlled Schools, Community Special Schools and maintained nursery schools. Voluntary Aided Schools, Trusts and Academies that are their own Admission Authority are recommended to adopt the model calendar to promote consistency across the City.

It is likely that Church Aided Schools will have their Easter Break around the religious festival. This has always been the case and Aided Schools will continue to set their own dates at Easter.

There was overwhelming support for fixing the Easter break at the beginning of April when the proposal was first consulted upon for the 2017/18 school calendar. It is accepted that there are many different views and opinions on the school calendar. The purpose of the consultation was to invite opinion and comment from all stakeholders. There have not been many responses to the proposed calendar, nor has there been any strong opposition to the proposed calendar for 2023/24 which indicates that the support expressed under last year's consultation continues.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

In response to the overwhelming support for fixing the Easter Break during the 2017/18 consultation process the Authority has only consulted on this single model for 2023/24.

5. **Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted**

None

6. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Executive Director, People Services

7. **Relevant Scrutiny Committee If Decision Called In**

Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee