

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Report

<b>Committee/Panel:</b>	Children and Families Advisory Panel
<b>Date:</b>	31 May 2011
<b>Title:</b>	Consultation on 'Support and aspiration: A new approach to special educational needs and disability'
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<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Children's Services

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#### 1. Summary

1.1. The purpose of this paper is to inform panel members of the Department for Education (DfE) Green Paper, 'Support and aspiration: A new approach to special educational needs and disability' and the opportunity for the County Council to offer views and comments on it via the formal consultation process.

#### 2. Contextual information

2.1. In September 2010 the government announced its intention to publish a Green Paper outlining its approach to improving the well-being and achievement of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities, as well as support for their families. As part of this process the government published a 'Call for Evidence' whereby organisations, groups and individuals were asked to respond to questions posed by the DfE on many aspects of SEN and disability in order to inform the Green Paper. Hampshire County Council made a formal response to this document.

2.2 On Wednesday 9 March 2011 the Green Paper, which includes a formal consultation process in which respondents are invited to offers views and comments on 59 questions linked to the government's proposals, was published.

2.3 The Children's Services Department of Hampshire County Council will be responding to the formal consultation and is seeking views and comments from a range of groups and individuals in order to prepare a consolidated

response. To assist those groups and individuals in forming their responses, attached at the appendices are:

- i) chapter summaries and relevant consultation questions taken from the original document (Appendix 2)
- ii) a power-point presentation from the DfE National Strategies which provides an overview of the key issues (Appendix 3)

2.4 A response to the consultation, from Hampshire County Council, must be made to the DfE by Thursday 30 June 2011.

### **3. Finance**

3.1. There are no financial implications.

### **4. Recommendation**

That members of the Panel consider the consultation questions posed in the Green Paper and whether they wish to make any contribution to the consolidated response to them from the Children's Service Department.

**CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:****Links to the Corporate Strategy**

<b>Hampshire safer and more secure for all:</b>	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Maximising well-being:</b>	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Enhancing our quality of place:</b>	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

**Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents**

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

None

**IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:**

**1. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

1.1. None

**2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:**

2.1. None

**3. Climate Change:**

a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

Not applicable

b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

Not applicable