

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	24 February 2014
Title:	Educational Attainment in Hampshire, 2013: Results and Priorities
Reference:	5676
Report From:	Director of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

- That Cabinet notes the assessment, test and examination results for 2013 and the priorities arising from them (listed in paragraph 12.1) which have been approved by the Executive Member for Education.
- That elected members consider how positive support can be provided for schools and colleges in local areas, particularly in relation to business and community links.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. Overall children and young people have done well in tests and examinations in 2013, particularly in early years and in the primary phase where headline improvement has increased and some significant achievement gaps have narrowed. At GCSE, there has been a small improvement in Hampshire headline performance from 2012 to 60% 5+A*-C including English and mathematics which is the national average for 2013.
- 2.2. Whilst most of the levels of attainment, as measured by test and examination outcomes, have risen in Hampshire, there remain some areas where further improvement is required. The Executive Member has approved the priorities for action as outlined in the report at his Decision Day.
- 2.3. Exceptionally, and because of the significance of the issue and the wide interest in this activity, Cabinet was asked to consider the report and support the priorities identified with in.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. None

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:	Date:
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Chairman of Cabinet Councillor Roy Perry	