

## INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION-MAKING

### RECORD OF DECISION

#### PART A

DETAILS OF REPORT (Officers to complete this section prior to issuing to cabinet member)	
Title of report	Southwark Council's response to consultation on the proposed merger of Lewisham Southwark College with Newcastle College Group
Decision-maker	Leader of the Council
Earliest date when decision can be taken	19 April 2017
Key decision – Yes/No?	No
Date published on forward plan	N/A – Non key decision
Date sent to Leader	11 April 2017
Recommendation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Leader reaffirms the council's position in not supporting a merger of Lewisham Southwark College with the Newcastle College Group (NCG). In the council's view the best interests of Southwark's learners are served by a local solution involving a merger with another London provider. This approach was endorsed at March cabinet as part of a broader response to the area based review of further education in central London.</li> <li>2. That the Leader submits the formal <u>consultation response</u> provided at Appendix 1.</li> </ol>

ORIGINATING AUTHOR'S DETAILS (Officers to complete this section prior to issuing to cabinet member)	
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#### PART B

(Cabinet member to complete this section)

DECISION(S)

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As per recommendation.

**REASONS FOR DECISION**

As per report

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS  
CONSIDERED**

None

**REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED**

None

**ADDITIONAL ADVICE RECEIVED**

None

**ANY INTERESTS DECLARED**

*Note: If the decision-maker has a disclosable pecuniary interest in the matter the report must be referred to the full cabinet for decision.*

*Where a cabinet member may discharge a function alone and becomes aware of a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter being dealt with or to be dealt with by her/him, the cabinet member must notify the monitoring officer of the interest within 28 days and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter.*

*If a member is unsure as to whether an interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest they should contact the governance team for advice.*

None

## DECLARATION

I approve/~~reject~~ the recommendations set out in the report.\*

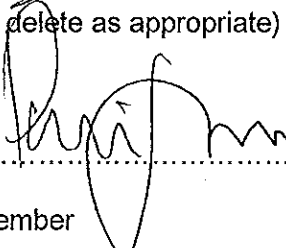
or

I approved an alternative ~~course~~ of action set out in Part B.\*

or

I have referred this matter to the Full Cabinet for decision.\*

(\* - Please ~~delete~~ as appropriate)

Signed.......... Dated.....19.4.17.....

Cabinet Member

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### Seeking advice

You should seek advice from the relevant officer on a number of occasions:

- (a) If you wish to consider alternative options
- (b) If you are considering rejecting the proposals

Otherwise it is at your discretion when you should seek further advice and you should do so when you consider it appropriate.

