

# Bolton Council

Report to: Cabinet

Date: 11 March 2013

Report of: Director of Children's Services

Report No:

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Report Title: **Bolton PRU Management Committee**

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Non Confidential:**

**(Non-Confidential)** This report does **not** contain information which warrants its consideration in the absence of the press or members of the public

**Purpose:**

To seek approval for a revised Instrument of Government for a single Management Committee for the Bolton Pupil Referral Units.

**Recommendations:**

**The Executive Cabinet Members Deputy Leader is recommended to:**

1. Approve the revised Instrument of Government (attached to this report).
2. Authorise the sealing of the revised Instrument by the Council's Legal Services Unit.

**Decision:**

**Background Doc(s):**

1. Education Act 1996 (Section 19) (as amended).
2. The Education (Pupil Referral Units) (Management Committees etc.) (England) Regulations 2007 and accompanying guidance.
3. Report to Executive Member for Children's Services, 22 January 2008.
4. The Pupil Referral Units (Miscellaneous Amendments) (England) Regulations 2012.
5. Report to Executive Member for Children's Services, 21 February 2012.
6. DfE Alternative Provision (Statutory Guidance for Local Authorities) January 2013.

**Signed:**

Leader / Executive Member

Monitoring Officer

**Date:**

**Summary:**

The report seeks approval for a revised Instrument of Government for a single Management Committee to govern the four Bolton Pupil Referral Units (Forwards Centre PRU, Park School PRU, Young Mums Unit PRU and Youth Challenge PRU). The single Management Committee will replace the four existing Management Committees and a new Instrument of Government is required to reflect this change.

## **BOLTON PRU MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

### **INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT**

- 1.1 On 22 January 2008, the Executive Member for Children's Services approved the new constitutional arrangements and the establishment of Management Committees to govern the nine Pupil Referral Units in Bolton, as per The Education (Pupil Referral Units) (Management Committees etc.) (England) Regulations 2007.
- 1.2 Since this time five of the units have closed and the following four units remain:
  - Forwards Centre Pupil Referral Unit
  - Park School PRU Pupil Referral Unit
  - Young Mums Unit PRU Pupil Referral Unit
  - Youth Challenge PRU Pupil Referral Unit
- 1.3 On 21 February 2012 a report was submitted to the Executive Member for Children's Services and Executive Member for HR, OD and Diversity regarding the proposal to restructure the PRU Service and the feedback following the consultation on the process. As part of the proposal, the formation of a single Management Committee to govern the existing four PRUs was agreed.
- 1.4 Following approval of the single Management Committee model, a new Instrument of Government is required to be established to commence from 1 April 2013.
- 1.5 The proposed revised constitution would maintain the proportions for each category of governor required by the Education (Pupil Referral Units) (Management Committees etc.) (England) Regulations 2007 i.e.:
  - 2 Parent members
  - 2 Staff members
  - 2 Authority members
  - 7 Community members

Total number of members: 13

- 1.6 Subject to the approval of The Cabinet, the attached Instrument for the Bolton PRU Management Committee will be sent for sealing to come into force from 1 April 2013. (Appendix 1)

### **Equality Impact Assessment**

This report does not require an Equality Impact Assessment as it is not seeking a policy change.

**BOLTON COUNCIL**  
**INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT**  
**BOLTON PRU**

1. The name of the group of Pupil Referral Units is the Bolton PRU.
2. The Pupil Referral Units' DfE numbers are:
  - The Forwards Centre – 350/1109
  - Park School – 350/1100
  - Youth Challenge – 350/1103
  - Young Mums Unit – 350/1101
3. The addresses of the Pupil Referral Units are:
  - The Forwards Centre – Roscow Fold Centre, Stephens Street, Bolton, BL2 5DU
  - Park School - Bolton Lads And Girls Club, Spa Road, Bolton, BL1 4AG
  - Youth Challenge – 124 Newport Street, Bolton, BL3 6AB
  - Young Mums Unit - Harvey Children's Centre, Shaw Street, Bolton, BL3 6HU
4. The name of the management committee is "The Management Committee of the Bolton PRU."
5. The management committee shall consist of:
  - (a) 2 parent members
  - (b) 2 local authority members
  - (c) 2 staff members
  - (d) 7 community members
6. Total number of members: thirteen
7. The term of office of the parent members is two year.
8. This instrument of government comes into effect on 1 April 2013.
9. This instrument was made by order of Bolton Council on 2013.
10. A copy of the instrument must be supplied to every member of the management committee (and the Head of the PRU) and to the DfE.

THE COMMON SEAL OF THE  
BOROUGH COUNCIL OF BOLTON

was hereunto affixed

by

Authorised Sealing Officer