

TRAFFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

<u>DATE OF DECISION</u>	Tuesday, 30 January 2018	<u>DECISION MAKER</u>
<u>DECISION REFERENCE</u>	M/11.07.17/CF	Executive Member for Children and Families (Councillor Whetton)
<u>RECORD OF THE DECISION</u>		
<u>Presumption to Amalgamate Community Infant and Junior Schools</u>		
That the Presumption to Amalgamate Community Infant and Junior Schools Policy, be approved.		
<u>REASONS FOR THE DECISION</u>		
The Local Authority's long standing strategic aim has been to amalgamate separate infant and junior schools where there are no contrary indicators to a proposal. The practice in recent years has been to consider amalgamation when the headship of one of the schools has fallen vacant. However, there have been a number of instances where a headship has become vacant but amalgamation has not taken place. The criteria for taking the decision to amalgamate have not been explicit, leading to an inconsistent approach which has not allowed for a transparent and effective decision making process.		
<u>ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED AT THE MEETING/BY MEMBERS</u>		
A decision not to adopt the Policy.		
<u>CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND ANY ASSOCIATED DISPENSATION</u>		
None.		

CALL-IN DEADLINE DATE

Wednesday, 21 February 2018
(Decision can be implemented on the next working day, unless called in).

PUBLICATION DATE

Wednesday, 14 February 2018

RECORDED BY:

Director of Legal and Democratic Services