

**Southend-on-Sea Borough Council**  
**Report of the Deputy Chief Executive  
(People)**  
**to**  
**People Scrutiny Committee**  
**on**  
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**Schools Progress Report**  
**People Scrutiny Committee**  
**Executive Councillor: Councillor Helen Boyd**  
**A Part 1 Public Agenda Item**

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**1. Purpose of Report**

To inform members of the current position with regard to the performance of all schools, including those schools causing concern, and to update on known Academy developments.

**2. Recommendation**

For members to note and approve the information in the report.

**3. Background**

**Ofsted Inspections**

Earls Hall primary school was inspected 26 to 27<sup>th</sup> of June 2018 and the report which judged the school as being good was published 16 July 2018.

Cecil Jones Academy received a monitoring visit on 3 July following Her Majesty's Chief Inspector concerns about the effectiveness of safeguarding arrangements at the academy. The report which was published on 12 July, found safeguarding to be effective.

Officers track the likelihood of a school inspection based upon the time of its previous full inspection, the judgement, and if and when the school converted to an academy. This is not an exact science, as OFSTED indicate the period for reinspection by stating "in the third/four year of...". However, our tracking indicates the likelihood of several inspections this academic year.

**Ofsted Inspection reporting update**

In July 2018, Ofsted published details of the impact of the changes to the statistical reporting of inspection outcomes. The main change following the consultation is to include the inspection outcomes of predecessor schools in our statistical reporting, where schools have not yet been inspected in their current form (in general this meant

that academy converters kept their inspection history while sponsor-led academies did not).

### **Academy conversions**

Southchurch High School (formerly Futures) converted on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 and is now part of the Partnership Learning Trust.

Temple Sutton Primary school joined the Learning in Harmony Trust on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018.

St George's Catholic Primary School and St Helen's Catholic Primary School joined the Assisi Catholic Trust on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018.

### **Other important school news**

The Federation of Greenways has now amalgamated from 1<sup>st</sup> September to become 'Greenways Primary School'.

PLT Southend Campus: Victory Park Academy and Sutton House Academy address changed to Wentworth Road, Southend on Sea, SS2 5LG

### **School Outcomes**

A detailed report on the key school performance outcome measures is featured as a separate report to Cabinet.

### **Diminishing the Difference (previously known as 'narrowing the gap') Pupil Premium Strategy**

The 'every child, every school, same opportunities' pupil premium strategy being led by Milton Hall Primary School and Barons Court Primary School (commissioned by the LA) is about to launch its second phase which involves working with individual schools to improve outcomes for the most disadvantaged pupils. Outcomes data for disadvantaged pupils is currently being analysed in order to design the bespoke support packages for schools where there are identified concerns.

### **Grammar School Strategy**

The campaign has been very successful in terms of improving awareness, increasing the number of local resident 11 plus registrations and raising the number of local pupils taking up a place at one of the town's grammar schools. Last year resulted in an increase of 53 additional places on the previous year's total of 399 being allocated to local Southend residents for 2018 entry (452 passes). Registrations have increased again this year by a further 102 pupils.

The campaign has also targeted more deprived pupils. As a result 286 (from cohort of 2172) of the most disadvantaged pupils were prioritised for places at a fully funded summer school, resulting in over 70 pupils (with the most disadvantaged targeted and given priority booking) attended fully funded summer school sessions. Early indications suggest that 23% more 11+ registrations have been made from local children compared to before the campaign. The success of assessments will not be known until later in the term.

#### **4. Other Options**

N/A

#### **5. Reasons for Recommendations**

N/A

#### **6. Corporate Implications**

##### 6.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

This report contributes to the Council's ambition that all schools will be good or outstanding.

##### 6.2 Financial Implications

The work currently undertaken with school improvement is covered by the core staffing budget and the SLA with the teaching school alliance.

##### 6.3 Legal Implications

None

##### 6.4 People Implications

None

##### 6.5 Property Implications

None

##### 6.6 Consultation

None

##### 6.7 Equalities and Diversity Implications

None

##### 6.8 Risk Assessment

None

##### 6.9 Value for Money

None

##### 6.10 Community Safety Implications

None

##### 6.11 Environmental Impact

None

#### **7. Background Papers**

None

#### **8. Appendix**

##### **Appendix 1 - List of Southend Academies**

**List of Southend Academies** (as at 01/09/18)

*The most recent conversions are highlighted in bold type.*

<b>Academy name</b>	<b>Date of conversion</b>	<b>Multi-Academy Trust</b>	<b>Single Academy</b>
Belfairs Academy	01/06/2012	Legra Academy Trust	
Blenheim Primary and Nursery	01/09/2016	Learning in Harmony Trust	
Bournemouth Park Academy	01/02/2017	Eastwood Park Academy Trust (EPAT)	
Bournes Green Infant	01/09/2016	Southend East Community Academy Trust (SECAT)	
Bournes Green Junior	01/08/2017	Southend East Community Academy Trust (SECAT)	
Cecil Jones Academy	01/09/2015	Legra Academy Trust	
Chase High School	01/04/2015	Brentwood Academies Trust	
Darlinghurst Academy	01/01/2014	Legra Academy Trust	
Friars Primary School and Nursery	01/09/2016	Portico Academy Trust	
Hamstel Infant School and Nursery	01/09/2016	Portico Academy Trust	
Hamstel Junior School	01/09/2016	Portico Academy Trust	
Hinguar Community Primary School	01/09/2016	Southend East Community Academy Trust (SECAT)	
Kingsdown School	01/09/2017	SEN Trust Southend	
Lancaster School	01/09/2017	SEN Trust Southend	
Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School	01/05/2018	Assisi Catholic Trust	
Porters Grange Primary School	01/04/2016	Portico Academy Trust	
Prince Avenue Academy & Nursery	01/04/2014	South East Essex Academy Trust (SEEAT)	
Richmond Avenue Primary and Nursery School	01/08/2017	Southend East Community Academy Trust (SECAT)	
PLT Southend Campus: Victory Park & Sutton House (formerly Seabrook College)	01/07/2017	Parallel Learning Trust (PLT)	
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School	01/05/2018	Assisi Catholic Trust	
Shoeburyness High School	01/12/2011	Southend East Community Academy Trust (SECAT)	
Southchurch High School	01/07/2018	Partnership Learning	

(formerly Futures)			
Southend High School for Boys	01/02/2011		Southend High School for Boys Academy Trust
Southend High School for Girls	01/02/2011		Southend High School for Girls Academy Trust
St Bernard's High School	01/08/2011		St Bernard's High School
<b>St George's Catholic Primary School</b>	<b>01/09/2018</b>	<b>Assisi Catholic Trust</b>	
<b>St Helen's Catholic Primary School</b>	<b>01/09/2018</b>	<b>Assisi Catholic Trust</b>	
St Nicholas School	01/09/2017	SEN Trust Southend	
St Thomas More High School	01/08/2011	Assisi Catholic Trust <i>(previously a single academy)</i>	
<b>Temple Sutton Primary School</b>	<b>01/09/2018</b>	<b>Learning in Harmony Trust</b>	
The Eastwood Academy	01/08/2011	Eastwood Park Academy Trust (EPAT)	
Greenways Primary School	01/10/2016	Learning in Harmony Trust	
The St Christopher School	01/03/2012	SEN Trust Southend	
The Westborough School	01/09/2010	The Challenger Multi Academy Trust	
Thorpedene Primary School	01/09/2016	Southend East Community Academy Trust (SECAT)	
Westcliff High School for Boys	01/09/2010		Westcliff High School for Boys
Westcliff High School for Girls	01/03/2011	South East Essex Academy Trust (SEEAT)	
West Leigh Junior School	01/04/2016	Portico Academy Trust	