

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council**Report of the Deputy Chief Executive
(People)****to****People Scrutiny Committee****on****27th November 2018**

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Schools Progress Report

People Scrutiny Committee
Executive Councillor: Councillor Helen Boyd
A Part 1 Item

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. Update**Ofsted Inspections**

Milton Hall Primary School received a full inspection 3rd and 4th October 2018 and the report which judged the school as being a strong Good was published 6th November 2018.

West Leigh Infants were subject to a short inspection on 18 October 2018. The visit was the first short inspection carried out since the school was judged to be good in October 2014. The report found that the school continues to be good.

Academy conversions

There have been no further Academy conversions since the last People Scrutiny Committee.

Following the judgement by OFSTED of inadequate for Cecil Jones in November 2017, the Regional Schools Commissioner has now rebrokered the school from LEGRA to Loxford Multi Academy Trust. Following due diligence, the school will start to move to the new trust in January, and formally move in March 2019.

Grammar School Strategy

Postcodes SS0-9 (priority area) data for this year:

2018 (for 2019)	Test Registrations	Test Attendance	Score >303 (pass)
Male	775	697	245
Female	781	712	262
	1556	1409	507

For boys and girls, resident in SS0-SS9, who scored over 303 there are sufficient priority places, such that if they name both Grammar Schools on their application (in their preferred order), they are guaranteed a place.

The comparative data for last year is:

2017 (for 2018)	Test Registrations	Test Attendance	Score >303 (pass)
Male	699	626	211
Female	741	670	241
	1440	1296	452

In previous years:

2016 (for 2017 entry): 1280 test registrations from SS0-SS9 – 89 no shows, 399 'pass'

4. Corporate Implications

4.1 Contribution to Council's Vision & Corporate Priorities

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

4.2 Financial Implications

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