

# Decision Schedule

## Cabinet Member for Education & Skills

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### TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

#### Decision Schedule published on 11 July 2018

The Cabinet Member took the following decisions on 11 July 2018. They will become effective at Noon on 19 July 2018 with the exception of any particular decision, which is the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 18 July 2018.

Information relating to the 'Call-in' process can be found via [Democratic Services](#).

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#### **E&S 08/18**

#### **Post-16 Home to School Transport Costs**

#### **Options Considered/Reasons for Decision**

A decision by a previous Cabinet Member for Education & Young People in June 2013 approved implementation of an amended charging mechanism for Post-16 Transport Costs on contracted services on a phased approach which would achieve full removal of the existing subsidy by September 2017.

This decision was implemented in September 2014 when the parental contribution in respect of this provision was increased from £45 per annum to £347 per annum in line with the same costs charged to students using the local bus network. Further increases were due in September 2015, September 2016 and September 2017 to achieve full removal of the subsidy.

However in June 2015, a decision was made to suspend the proposed September 2015 increase and instead amend the sharing mechanism to align the additional top-up fee with the cost of a season ticket on the local bus network, setting the fee at £370 per academic year.

In 2016 the same decision was made to suspend the planned increase for September 2016, maintaining the current level of charges. This would not reduce the subsidy but maintain the current position. The costs charged to all students using contracted services would remain equal. This decision was also agreed for 2017.

#### **Decision**

To suspend the further price increase planned for September 2018 and therefore maintain the current level of charges.

#### **Consultation**

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People & Business Change and Chief Education Officer.

All members were consulted and provided with an opportunity to comment. Any comments received and response thereafter are set out in the report.

**Implemented By: Chief Education Officer**  
**Implementation Timetable: Immediate**

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COUNCILLOR G GILES, CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION & SKILLS

Date: 11 July 2018

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