

**CENTRAL SOUTH CONSORTIUM
REPORT FOR JOINT COMMITTEE**

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JOINT EDUCATION SERVICE

REPORT OF THE MANAGING DIRECTOR: CSC Legal Agreement & delegated decision making

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1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Members' approval to review the legal agreement, considering the revised changes to governance previously approved.

To seek Members' approval to delegate decision making for proposed staffing structures to the CSC Management Board and CSC Management team as outlined within the report.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members review the information contained within the report and:

2.1 Approve a review of the CSC legal agreement to reflect the changes in governance previously agreed by Members in December 2020 with revised terms of reference for governance groups approved in March 2021.

2.2 Consider whether a full review of the legal agreement is required to reflect the changing education landscape

2.3 Consider the proposals for delegated decision making in respect of CSC staffing outlined within the report.

3.0 CSC LEGAL AGREEMENT

3.1 Legal Agreement for Central South Consortium Joint Education Service, (signed on the 15th April 2015 by the constituent local authorities), provides

the governance framework within which the Service operates and allocates responsibility and accountability, as follows:

- The Host Authority;
- The Directors' Steering Group;
- The Advisory Board;
- Operational Management Group;
- Central South Consortium Joint Education Committee; and
- Financial Management

3.2 The Legal Agreement outlines the terms of reference of each of the above groups which form part of the previous CSC governance arrangements.

3.3 In addition, the Legal Agreement it outlines the process for changes to the permanent structure of CSC.

4.0 CONCLUSION

To ensure CSC operates as effectively and efficiently as possible, the CSC Management Board are requesting Members delegate responsibility for staffing to the CSC Management Board and CSC Management Team as outlined below:

- CSC Joint Committee continue to approve any proposed changes to the senior management structure of CSC;
- CSC Joint Committee delegate responsibility for proposed changes to the senior leadership team at CSC to the CSC Management Board;
- CSC Joint Committee delegate responsibility for the wider staffing structure to the Managing Director and senior management team of CSC