

Committee: Scrutiny Committee for Education and Libraries

Date: 17 June 2004

Title: Best Value Review of the Means of Raising Attainment of Pupils in Early Years

By: Director of Education and Libraries

Purpose: To report on the progress made during the final six months, against the recommendations made by the Best Value Review

RECOMMENDATION - to note progress made on meeting the recommendations in the Best Value Review.

1. Supporting Information

1.1 The Education Scrutiny Committee accepted the recommendations made by the Board and officers of the Best Value Review of the Means of Raising Attainment of pupils in Early Years at the meeting in June 2003, following the completion of the report in April 2003, along with a response from the Director of Education and Libraries. The interim report was accepted by the Committee in November 2003. This is the final report against the recommendations made.

1.2 The Education Department has already implemented, or has made significant progress towards implementing all the recommendations in the original report, with the majority holding a status of 'green'. No recommendation is status 'red'

1.3 A detailed breakdown of progress against each recommendation and its status is given in Appendix A attached to this report.

1.4 Progress against the recommendations will continue to be monitored closely and it is proposed that the Education Department Early Years Strategy team takes on a monitoring role of this Review.

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