REFERRAL OF A KEY DECISION TO THE SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

For the attention of: Victoria Lower, Democratic Services & Scrutiny

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Decision Title: Proposed Closure of St Andrew's Church of England High School

Key Executive Decision Reference No. 0519CFE: made by the Executive Director for Children, Families & Education

Reasons for referral:

- i) The decision is outside of the Policy Framework
- ii) The decision is inconsistent with the budget
- iii) The decision is inconsistent with another Council Policy
- iv) Other: Please specify:
- 1) To hold the decision takers to account on their decision and to the evidence that underpins their reasoning to recommend closure of St Andrews Secondary School.
- 2) To ensure that there are sufficient secondary school places in Croydon for Croydon pupils and that the decision will not adversely affect disadvantaged groups
- 3) To ensure that there are no undue negative impact on other Croydon schools as a result of this decision
- 4) To ensure that the site is kept for educational use in the future
- 5) To ensure that the decision doesn't unduly restrict the right of parents to send their children to a school of religious character.

The outcome desired:

For the decision makers to give a satisfactory response to the above queries and to hear from Church of England Diocesan Board.

Information required to assist the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to consider the referral:

Signed: Councillor Sean Fitzsimons Date: 9 September 2019 Chair of Scrutiny & Overview Committee

Co-Signed via email by

Councillors Robert Ward (Vice-Chair), Jerry Fitzpatrick and Joy Prince