

## Appendix 2A



### **NOTICE OF CALL-IN**

Decisions made by the Executive, a committee of the Executive, or an officer with delegated authority from the Executive, will come into force and be implemented on the expiry of 3 working days after publication of the decision.

If Members of the Council wish the decision to be reviewed by the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committee, a notice of call in must be received by the Monitoring Officer (or an officer in Democratic Services on their behalf) no later than 5.00 pm, 3 working days after the date of the publication of the decision. The deadline for call-in will be specified when the decision notice is published.

The standing orders relating to call-in are available at Procedure Rule 66 of the Council's Constitution.

### **NOTICES OF CALL-IN MUST:**

- 1) BE SIGNED BY AT LEAST FIVE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**
- 2) GIVE REASONS FOR THE CALL-IN**
- 3) PROPOSE A POSITIVE OR ALTERNATIVE COURSE OF ACTION**

Completed forms should be submitted to [democracy@islington.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@islington.gov.uk)

When forms are submitted by email, each councillor signing the form must submit an email to confirm their support for the call-in.

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**DATE OF EXECUTIVE MEETING OR OFFICER DECISION: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February**

**REPORT TITLE: Proposal on the Future of Duncombe and Montem Primary Schools**

**1. REASONS FOR CALL- IN OF DECISION (if you believe that the decision is outside the policy or budget framework, you must make this clear and say why you believe this is so):**

We believe the decision should be reconsidered for the following factors:

- The impacts of this decision on Drayton Park School have not been adequately considered.
- Parents at Drayton Park School have not been adequately consulted.
- The needs of SEND students at Montem have not been adequately considered.
- The implications of this decision have wider ramifications for schools across the borough.
- Student numbers and financial pressures need considering in the round, rather than taking out

**At item 6 the consultation is addressed.**

6.1.4 table 3 consultation meetings shows that no meetings were held with parents at Drayton Park school despite the catastrophic financial impact on Drayton Park by dissolving the federation with Montem.

**At 6.2.16 the Federation is briefly addressed.**

There is clearly a serious financial impact on Drayton Park School stemming from the dissolution of the Edventure federation between Montem and Drayton Park schools.

This impact is not fully addressed in the paper and the consultation was held with parents of Montem and Duncombe Schools and not Drayton Park.

**6.2.9.2. SEN Provision**

Parents are rightly concerned about the loss of SEN provision. Montem has provided highly regarded support and education for SEN pupils. Parents and guardians have deep concerns over whether Duncombe can provide the same level of support. SEN provision is under strain across the borough, the loss of an Additional Resource Provision (ARP) will not help.

**6.2.33 edventure response**

The response at 6.2.33.2 fails to address the knock on effect for schools in Highbury in particular the children, staff, governors and whole school community at Drayton Park. We believe that the impact on Drayton Park needs to be fully worked through before a decision is taken to amalgamate Duncombe and Montem.

We wish to call in this decision to ensure the council takes a holistic approach to addressing the serious crisis in over provision of school places across the borough.

We believe this decision to amalgamate Montem and Duncombe Schools ignores the "domino effect" on other schools both financially and in terms of school places and the

decision needs to be deferred until a plan for other schools impacted by this decision and support for affected staff governors and parents is put in place.

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## **2. PROPOSALS FOR A POSITIVE OR ALTERNATIVE COURSE OF ACTION:**

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Taking this decision in isolation leaves too many serious questions about the sustainability and viability of other schools and risks setting off an unplanned domino effect across other schools.

In Hackney an independent body reviewed the proposals. This should be considered here.

Please print and sign your name below:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>
<b>(1) COUNCILLOR</b> <b>Benali Hamdache</b>	<b>REDACTED</b>
<b>(2) COUNCILLOR</b> <b>Ernestas Jegorovas-Armstrong</b>	<b>REDACTED</b>
<b>(3) COUNCILLOR</b> <b>Caroline Russell</b>	<b>REDACTED</b>

<p><b>(4) COUNCILLOR</b></p> <p><b>Matt Nathan</b></p>	<p><b>REDACTED</b></p>
<p><b>(5) COUNCILLOR</b></p> <p><b>Asima Shaikh</b></p>	<p><b>REDACTED</b></p>

**Date and time:     Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 13:00**  
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**When completed, this form should be submitted to Democratic Services no later than 5.00 pm on the third day following publication of the decision notice.**

**Once a valid notice of call-in is received, the decision-taker, Chief Executive and relevant Chief Officer will be notified. If the request for the call-in states that the reason for it is that the decision is outside the budget or policy framework, refer it to the Monitoring Officer who shall decide whether this is the case.**

**Decisions that are called in will be referred to the next scheduled meeting of the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committee for consideration (or the Children’s Services Scrutiny Committee, if the decision relates to education functions).**

NB – The call in procedure set out above shall not apply where the decision being taken by the Executive or a Corporate Director is urgent ie if any delay likely to be caused by the call in process would seriously prejudice the Council’s or the public interest and it is not practicable to convene a relevant meeting of the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committee, within the Access to Information Rules in the Constitution.