COUNCIL BUSINESS COMMITTEE

URGENT BUSINESS

SKERTON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL CONSULTATION 12th September 2013

Report of Chief Officer (Governance)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To consider Lancashire County Council's consultation on the possible closure of Skerton Community High School.

This report is public

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee gives consideration to the consultation, and determines whether a formal response should be submitted on behalf of the Council. If the Committee decides that a response is appropriate, members are asked to formulate its content at this meeting, and to authorise the Chief Officer (Governance), in consultation with the Chairman, to finalise the response.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Lancashire County Council is consulting on the possible closure of Skerton Community High School, Owen Road, Lancaster, with effect from 31st August 2014. The full details are attached as an appendix.
- 1.2 The consultation has been brought as urgent business as the deadline to respond falls before the next meeting of this committee, and the consultation was launched after the publication of the agenda.

2.0 Proposal Details

2.1 Full details of the proposal are contained in the appendix.

3.0 Conclusion

3.1 Members are asked to consider the attached consultation, and determine whether to submit a council response. In the event that members decide to submit a response, guidance will be required on its content at this meeting,

and it is suggested that the Chief Officer (Governance) in consultation with the Chairman, be authorised to finalise the response.

CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT (including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)	
None	
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
There are no direct legal implications for the C	ity Council.
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	
There are no direct financial implications for the City Council.	
OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
Human Resources: None.	
Information Services: None	
Property: None	
Open Spaces: None	
SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS	
The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.	
MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS	
The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.	
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