

18<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Agenda Item: 11

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, EDUCATION, LEARNING AND SKILLS****QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE: CHANGE TO SCHOOL HOLIDAY AND TERM  
TIME DATES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MAINTAINED SCHOOLS IN  
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE FOR 2021/22****Purpose of the Report**

1. Nottinghamshire County Council has previously undertaken statutory consultation with key stakeholders, in order to set school holiday and term time dates. The purpose of this report is to inform Committee of the government announcement to change the late May Spring bank holiday 2022 which impacts on the school holiday arrangements already set for 2021/2022 for Local Authority maintained schools in Nottinghamshire as set out in **Appendix 2**.

**Information**

2. The 1996 Education Act gives local authorities a duty to determine school term dates and Nottinghamshire County Council is responsible under section 32 of the Education Act 2002 for fixing dates of terms and holidays of maintained schools. Schools must be open to pupils for 190 days in an academic year, and 195 days for teachers. The responsibility for setting school holiday and term time dates for all community and voluntary controlled schools within Nottinghamshire lies with the Local Authority (LA). It should be noted that Foundation, Trust, Voluntary Aided schools and Academies are responsible for setting their own holiday patterns.
3. Holiday dates for LA maintained schools in Nottinghamshire for 2019/2020 to 2022/2023 were approved on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017. However, on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020, the government announced a change to the 2022 late Spring bank holiday from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. In addition, a further bank holiday for Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 will be created to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. As a result, the school holiday calendar for 2021-2022 currently published, attached as **Appendix 1**, will require an amendment to facilitate the change to the late Spring bank holiday, as set out in **Appendix 2**.

**Other Options Considered**

4. No other option has been considered; moving a bank holiday is achieved by a Royal Proclamation under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971.

## **Reasons for Recommendation**

5. The late May Spring bank holiday will move in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.
6. To update Nottinghamshire's school holiday pattern for 2021/2022 to reflect the recent government announcement to change the late May Spring bank holiday and create an additional bank holiday to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

## **Statutory and Policy Implications**

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below.

## **Crime and Disorder Implications**

8. Due consideration has been given to crime and disorder issues. The Police services and other voluntary bodies who provide out of holiday care and educational opportunity have key roles to play in reducing crime and increasing self-confidence, emotional resilience for any child or young person engaging with holiday provision.

## **Finance Implications**

9. There are no direct costs involved in the process of setting school holiday dates. The information currently available can be updated electronically on the public website.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1) That Committee approves the change to the school holiday and term time dates for 2021/2022 for Local Authority maintained schools in Nottinghamshire as set out in **Appendix 2**.

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## **Constitutional Comments (KK 03/12/20)**

10. The proposal in this report is within the remit of the Children and Young People's Committee.

## **Financial Comments (SAS 11/12/20)**

11. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

## **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

[School holiday and term dates for Local Authority maintained schools in Nottinghamshire 2019/2020, 2020/2021 and 2022/2023 – report to Children and Young People’s Committee on 18th December 2017](#)

Government press release published 12 November 2020 – Extra Bank Holiday to mark The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee in 2022 (<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/extra-bank-holiday-to-mark-the-queens-platinum-jubilee-in-2022>)

## **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All.

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