



Leicester
City Council

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**EDUCATION & LIFELONG LEARNING SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE
CABINET**

**8th March 2005
4th April 2005**

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2006/07 AND 2007/08

Report of the Corporate Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 This report briefs Elected Members on the outcome of consultations in connection with term dates for 2006/07 and 2007/08.
- 1.2 Members are asked to agree the date patterns attached at **Appendix A**

2 Report

- 2.1 Leicester City school term and holiday dates have been set for 2005/06. Following extensive discussion with the School Term & Holiday Dates Working Group and, paying heed to new guidance from the Local Government Association, a pattern of dates for 2006/07 and 2007/08 has been identified. These dates are attached at **Appendix A**.
- 2.2 It is believed that these dates reflect the key principles promoted by the Local Government Association and that these also reflect the terms of a recent agreement reached between the NASUWT and LGA about future date patterns.
- 2.3 The dates identified at **Appendix A** will provide a basis for long term planning within the Authority and may be subject to subsequent change should national direction be given with regard to the duration and distribution of school term and holiday dates.

3 Recommendations

The Education & Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

- 3.1 Comment on the proposed term dates for 2006/07 and 2007/08 as detailed in **Appendix A**.

3.2 Agree to receive further recommendations and advice from the Corporate Director of Education & Lifelong Learning with respect to these dates should subsequent national developments occur prior to implementation of these date patterns.

3.3 Cabinet is recommended to:

3.3.1 Agree the dates as detailed in **Appendix A** for immediate distribution to Leicester City educational establishments and stakeholder groups.

4 Financial and legal implications

4.1 Financial implications

4.1.1 Term date changes themselves simply distribute working days which are fixed in national conditions of service. Assuming that there are no associated changes in terms of employment revised date patterns should not result in increased expenditure.(David Wilkin, Head of Finance, extension 7750)

4.1.2 Legal implications

Under Section 32 of the Education Act 2002 the responsibility for the determination of dates for school holiday and term dates rests with the Council (Guy Goodman, Assistant Head of Legal Services, extension 7054).

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DECISION STATUS

Key Decision	No
Reason	N/A
Appeared in Forward Plan	No
Executive or Council Decision	Executive (Cabinet)