

SCHOOL ORGANISATION COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE

Under Section 24 and Schedule 4 of the Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998, the Terms of Reference of the Buckinghamshire School Organisation Committee will be as follows:

- 1 To approve the School Organisation Plan for the Buckinghamshire LEA Relevant Area on an annual basis.
- 2 To determine any formal proposals for change in the pattern of organisation of school provision in Buckinghamshire.
- 3 To bring together and thereby facilitate co-operation and collaboration between the key partners in the provision of Education in Buckinghamshire.
- 4 To draw, as necessary, on the work, expertise and advice of other authorities, agencies and bodies in adopting a coherent and consistent approach to the development of the school planning and school organisation framework in Buckinghamshire.
- 5 To contribute to the school planning and school organisation framework and to ensure that local arrangements are such that there are evident and explicit links developed between the arrangements for school organisation on the one hand and raising standards and improving the achievement of pupils on the other hand.
- 6 To prepare, prior to submission by the Chairman of the School Organisation Committee, a provisional and itemised budget, to be agreed by the Buckinghamshire LEA to cover loss of earnings, travel and subsistence for members, the costs of any specialist advice and the hire of meeting rooms.