

# *Decision*

## Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education and Skills

In accordance with the previously published schedule and reports, the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education and Skills has made the following decision. This decision will take effect from Tuesday 16 April 2013.

The decision has been taken under the Special Urgency Rules (Rule 16 of the Access to Information Standing Orders). The County Council Elections take place on 2nd May and it will not be possible for the scrutiny process to be completed before the election takes place. After the election Executive members and committees will not be appointed until after the Council's Annual general meeting on 23rd May and it is unlikely that an Overview and Scrutiny Committee would take place until June at the earliest. The Cabinet Member for Education and Skills has therefore decided that the decision to 'Transfer five County Council run Children's Centres to the management of Barnardo's' needs to be taken as an urgent decision because the consultation with staff and Advisory Boards to start the process began on 23rd November and it is not fair to those affected to have continued uncertainty regarding the outcome for what would be more than six months.

### **Title**

Transfer of five County Council managed Children's Centres to the management of Barnardo's

### **Reference Number:**

DLES12.13

### **Decision Taken**

The Cabinet Member for Education and Skills agreed that the management of five Children's Centres, which are currently managed by Bucks County Council be transferred to the management of Barnardo's.

As part of the implementation there will be a transition plan which will include arrangements for BCC staff to continue to provide outreach support to families they are currently working with for up to six months, giving continuity for the families that are most in need of support.



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