

London Borough of Bromley

PART 1 - PUBLIC

**Briefing for Education Portfolio Holder
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**EDUCATION AND CARE SERVICES CONTRACT REPORTS –
EDUCATION CONTRACTS**

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1. Summary

- 1.1 The Executive and Resources Policy Development and Scrutiny (PDS) Committee has agreed a template report for London Borough of Bromley Contracts. The report details the current status of all contracts with a whole life value of £250k or more, with all relevant contracts identified from the Contract Register.
- 1.2 Executive and Resources PDS has recommended that the PDS Committee for each portfolio reviews the Contract Register report relevant to their portfolio, providing any comments as appropriate.
- 1.3 The Contract Register report for all contracts relevant to the Education Portfolio is included as Appendix One to this paper. In addition, the paper provides a brief update on planned contract activity over the next six months.

2. **THE BRIEFING**

- 2.1 Appendix 1 details all current contracts relevant to the Education Portfolio with a whole life value of £250k or more.
- 2.2 SEN Transport contracts have a variable annual value as routes are agreed on an annual basis based on the volume of children requiring transport support, their home location and their educational location. The routes are currently being agreed and updated annual values will be available shortly.
- 2.3 The annual value for the Bromley Youth Music Trust provision is significantly reduced as Department for Education funding which used to be transferred via the London Borough of Bromley is now paid directly to the provider. There will be further reductions in the annual contract value from 2013/14 as agreed by Education PDS in June 2012 (ED12009).
- 2.4 All contract awards, extensions or exemptions of any value are reported to the Portfolio Holder at the Portfolio Holder briefing meetings.

2.5 The following contracts with significant values will require action within the next six months. They are:

Provider	Service	End Date	Annual Value	Actions
Principals Catering	Catering at EDC	31/03/2013	£53,426	Subject to confirmation of status of EDC in 2013/14
Penny Smith-Orr	SACRE	31/03/2013	£11,200	Specification update and request for quotes
Various	Bromley Children and Family Centre Provision	31/03/2013	Variable	Bromley Children and Family Centres source all provision from a defined menu of activities and an approved list of providers. They will be conducting min-tenders from the Approved List for 2013/14 provision.
Bromley Mencap	Childminding Network	31/03/2013	£85,000	Service review to be completed
Royal Borough of Kingston	Advice and Guidance	31/03/2013	£143,000	Service review to be completed

2.6 In addition, the following commissioning and contracting activities are currently underway:

- **Supply Teachers:** the Behaviour Service is currently working with Corporate Procurement to formalise arrangements for the purchase of Supply Teachers via Agencies. It is intended to mirror the current Comensura agency workers arrangements by sourcing a neutral vendor for supply teachers via national frameworks.
- **Speech and Language Provision:** a Gateway review is currently being prepared to explore options for Speech and Language provision in schools, in partnership with the Primary Care Trust. The current contract for Speech and Language provision ends in July 2013.
- **Contract Reviews:** the Commissioning Team is reviewing all contracts of all values across Education and Care Services to identify any procurement actions required.