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REPORT TO LEEDS ADMISSION FORUM

Date 12 May 2009 Venue: Civic Hall Time: 4.00pm

Subject: Voluntary Aided, Foundation and Academy Schools Admission Policies

1. PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

1.1 This report informs the Admission Forum of the outcome of the voluntary aided schools admission policies sub committee meeting held on 17 March 2009.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 A report providing an update on the draft admission policies and supplementary information forms was presented to the sub committee meeting. Appendix 1

3. **CONCLUSIONS**

- 3.1 All the policies and supplementary information forms have been analysed by Education Leeds and Legal Services to ensure that they are fair and comply with the new DCSF School Admission Code which came into force on 10 February 2009.
- 3.2 All the admissions policies give looked after children the highest priority in their oversubscription criteria and ensure that children with a statement of SEN naming the school are admitted. The supplementary information forms ask only for the information required to operate the admission policy.
- 3.3 All the determined policies and supplementary information forms were published on the Education Leeds website on 15 April in accordance with the School Admissions Regulations 2008.
- 3.4 All the necessary information that parents need to apply for school places is available through the website.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 That Admissions Forum note the excellent response from VA governors and headteachers in meeting the requirements of the new Admissions Code.