

<b>Mayor and Cabinet</b>			
<b>Report title</b>	Comments of the Children and Young People Select Committee on Strengthening Specialist Provision		
<b>Contributors</b>	Children and Young People Select Committee	<b>Item No.</b>	XXX
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## **1. Summary**

- 1.1 This report informs Mayor and Cabinet of the comments and views of the Children and Young People Select Committee, arising from discussions held on the Strengthening Specialist Provision item considered at its meeting on 5 March 2013.

## **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the views of the Children and Young People Select Committee as set out in section three and agree that the Executive Director for Children and Young People be asked to respond.

## **3. Children and Young People Select Committee views**

- 3.1 On 5 March 2013, the Children and Young People Select Committee considered an item on Strengthening Specialist Provision. The Committee resolved to advise Mayor and Cabinet of the following:
- 3.2 The Committee commends the concerted progress that has been made since 2007 during the course of the Strengthening Specialist Provision programme, including the completion of Drumbeat School, the implementation of resource bases at a number of schools, the submission of a planning application for Brent Knoll School and improved relations of the local authority with parents and schools.
- 3.3 The Committee acknowledges that further long-term planning for how to meet the requirements of children with special educational needs is required and would like to play a part in helping to shape those plans.

## **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report per se, although the financial implications of accepting the Committee's recommendations will need to be considered.

## **5. Legal Implications**

- 5.1 The Constitution provides for Select Committees to make recommendations to the Executive or appropriate committee and/or Council arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process.

## **6. Further Implications**

- 6.1 At this stage there are no specific environmental, equalities or crime and disorder implications to consider.

### **Background papers**

Strengthening Specialist Provision Monitoring Report - Children and Young People Select Committee, 5 March 2013

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