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LEARNING SUPPORT SERVICE Head of Service, Mike McSorley

Hillside and Litherland High Schools conversion to sponsored Academies

Hillside and Litherland High Schools became sponsored academies on 1 March 2015 following the schools being placed in an Ofsted category at their last inspection. The Secretary of State made the academy orders to convert the schools into sponsored academies and the process was completed on 1 March.

Children's Transport Consultation

Following a report to Cabinet in January the Council are consulting on Post 16 SEN Transport and Faith Transport to determine whether they should change the policy on these elements of home to school transport which are both non-statutory.

Education and Skills Strategy

Consultation has commenced with stakeholders on the Draft Education and Skills Strategy. The strategy will set out the vision for how all stakeholders will work together to ensure all children and young people in Sefton are equipped with the knowledge, skills and desire to fulfil their potential. The consultation seeks views on setting up an Education Partnership Board made up of all key stakeholders to oversee implementation of the strategy.