CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND LEARNING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL 16 DECEMBER 2009

'CELEBRATING EAL' – REVIEW OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE IN BRACKNELL FOREST SCHOOLS — WORKING GROUP UPDATE (Working Group Lead Member)

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report introduces the notes of a follow up meeting of the Working Group which reviewed English as an Additional Language in Bracknell Forest schools to update the Panel on recent developments.

2 SUGGESTED ACTION

2.1 That the Panel receives the attached notes of a follow up meeting of the Working Group which reviewed English as an Additional Language in Bracknell Forest schools.

3 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 A working group of this Panel undertook a review of the implications of English as an additional language in Bracknell Forest schools in 2008. The resulting report included a recommendation to the effect that the Working Group would continue to have an involvement with the Council's EAL & Diversity Team to monitor its progress and provide support and assistance where necessary. The Team has been invited to advise members of any assistance it requires from the Working Group, which has expressed a wish to visit Brakenhale and Owlsmoor Primary Schools.
- 3.2 In the event that members need Overview and Scrutiny officer support to carry out further work, this will need to take account of other priorities and is unlikely to be available within the next three months.

Background Papers

'Celebrating EAL' – Review of the Implications of English as an Additional Language in Bracknell Forest Schools, November 2008

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