LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

REPORT:	Children & Young People Sub-Committee
DATE	27 June 2023
REPORT TITLE:	Pre-Decision Scrutiny: Maintained Nursery Schools
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LEAD MEMBER:	Councillor Maria Gatland Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
ORIGIN OF ITEM:	This item was included on the Children & Young People Sub- Committee Scrutiny Sub-Committee Work Programme for 2023/24.
BRIEF FOR THE COMMITTEE:	The Children & Young People Sub-Committee Scrutiny Sub-Committee has asked to review the Cabinet Paper concerning Maintained Nursery Schools to conduct Pre-Decision Scrutiny with a view to considering whether there are any concerns that should be raised or recommendations that should be made.
PUBLIC/EXEMPT:	Public

1 EDUCATION ESTATES STRATEGY

- 1.1. Attached at Appendix 1 is the upcoming June Cabinet Report outlining the current position in relation to Maintained Nursery Schools and options for the future provision of this in Croydon. The report sets out why this is required as a result of decreasing funding for Maintained Nursery Schools (MNS) and the impact that this is having on the budget situation for all of the Council's MNS settings.
- 1.2. The Children & Young People Sub-Committee Scrutiny Sub-Committee has asked to review the upcoming Maintained Nursery Schools report with a view to understanding the possible risks and next steps.

2 APPENDICES

2.1 Cabinet Report & Appendices – Maintained Nursery Schools

3 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

3.1 None