ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet
2.	Date:	24 th July 2013
3.	Title:	Section 106 Developer Education contributions policy
4.	Directorate:	Children and Young People's Services

5. Summary

This report seeks Cabinet approval of the draft Section 106 Developer Education contributions policy.

6. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

Cabinet approval be granted to the draft Section 106 Developer Education Contributions Policy.

7. Proposals and Details

Housing development can have a significant impact on the local education infrastructure and create a projected shortfall in places for local schools. The Section 106 Developer Education Contributions Policy sets out the Councils strategy towards analysing the impact on education and requesting developer contributions towards creating additional school places where necessary and appropriate.

8. Finance

The policy sets out the Councils approach to assessing the impact, requesting developer contributions and the rates that apply.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Contributions from developers are sought, where the Council can evidence a shortfall in school places will occur as a result of future development. Section 106 contributions and other funding streams are used for the provision of sufficient school places and are accompanied by strict contractual arrangements including timeframes for the utilisation of funding.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The major theme supported by the proposal is 'to ensure that everyone has access to skills, knowledge and information to enable them to play their part in society'.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

The draft policy has been prepared following consultation with Planning Officers, affordable Housing Officers and other internal stakeholders. The draft policy has been presented to and approved by CSART and SLT.

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