

**THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THIS DECISION EXPIRES AT 5.00pm ON,
TUESDAY, 22 APRIL, 2008. THE DECISION CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL
AFTER THAT DATE.**

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS AT COUNTY
HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT ON TUESDAY, 15 APRIL 2008

Present: Cllr Alan Wells – Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Jonathan Baker – Committee Services

Item	<u>AUTHORITY INTERVENTION INTO KITBRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL</u>
Decision reference	17/08
Decision taken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the school is closed, on the 31 August 2008, through a merger with Downside Middle School and to be maintained as an annexe site to provide continuity for pupils and staff. • That an Interim Executive Board is immediately established to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Monitor and evaluate the actions undertaken to meet the recommendations of the Ofsted report ii. Sustain the focus on standards during the coming months iii. Manage the closure and merger of Kitbridge Middle School iv. That the Director of Children's Services subject to the delegated authority of the Lead Member appoints appropriate individuals to the IEB at the earliest opportunity
Reasons for decision	To support the Ofsted judgement and ensure that the school provides its pupils an acceptable standard of education.
Additional reasons	To address the need to significantly increase the capacity of leadership to set ambitions and challenge complacency.
Options considered and rejected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointment of additional governors • Suspend the school's right to a delegated budget • Close the school through either the authority's School re-organisation Plan or through a request to the Secretary of State
Declarations of interest	None
Additional advice received	None received