

WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

The following questions have been received from Councillors and will be taken as read along with the written answer to be circulated the meeting. The Councillor asking the question may then ask one relevant supplementary question which shall be put and answered without discussion.

(a) Councillor Fryer

"One of the positive benefits often cited to Academies is that they grant the schools and parents more autonomy in how they are run. Yet the sponsor has the power to appoint the board which appoints the teachers. There can be as little as one parent governor.

Therefore is this council committed to stipulating in its contract with the sponsor of the Falmer academy a maximum 25% voting rights for sponsor appointees to ensure proper democratic and community representation on Academy boards?"

Councillor Brown, Cabinet Member for Children & Young People will respond.

