

# Primary Council of Portsmouth Student Forum - Restructure Concept Note

### Overview

The Primary Council of Portsmouth of Students model has been amended following feedback from Head Teachers in relation to accessibility. As such, changes have been made to the structure and costing of the Forum in partnership with Portsmouth City Council.

- Reducing the number of full-day summits from three to two, resulting in less staff and student time at a time of increased pressure
- Clearer sense of focus and direction during the two summits
- Lower financial contribution just £200 per year (due to Portsmouth City Council subsidising each school's membership by £100. This is subject to a minimum of 20 schools signing up.)

## Whole Day Link Teacher Training - Late September

A whole day of developing Link Teacher productivity and effectiveness in promoting and encouraging student voice in respective schools. Supported by expert student voice consultant, David Hart.

#### Summit 1 - Early November

This is the first of two interactions for students picked to represent their school or college at the Primary Council of Portsmouth Student Forum. The event will run from 9.30-2.30pm at one of the participating schools. The key priorities for this first summit are as follows:

- Exploring student voice as a concept
- Allowing opportunities for student collaboration between schools
- Developing students' skills that will be beneficial to their roles in their student councils

## Summit 2 - Early March

This is the second of two interactions for students picked to represent their school or college at the Primary Council of Portsmouth Student Forum. The event will run from 9.30-2.30pm at one of the participating schools. The key priorities for this second summit are as follows:

- Celebrating and recognising student voice success
- Training on creating an effective school council and leadership skills
- Promoting student leadership through activities and tasks
- Discussing future plans toward school improvement

## Student Voice Day - Early July

This is the end of year, city-wide, celebration event for a large number of young people and students across Portsmouth. The day will be attended by the Council of Portsmouth Students as well as various youth and representation groups across the city.

#### Cost

As the programme is far less time intensive, the cost to participating schools and colleges is just £200 per year inclusive. We are also VAT exempt.