## Admissions and Access to Education Service

## SUPPORTING SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACTION PLAN

| SUGGESTED TIME SCALE                                         | ATTENDANCE PROFILE                                   | WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | WHO BY/WHO WITH                                                                                                       |
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| <u>Day 1</u>                                                 | Any absence without reason                           | First-day-of-absence contact                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | School Administrative<br>Officer/Attendance Officer                                                                   |
| <u>Day 3</u>                                                 | No response or concern about explanations            | Letter from school to parent/carers                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Any of the above and HOY, Head                                                                                        |
| Day 6 or further 3 days                                      | No response or concern about<br>explanations         | Parents/carers to be invited to<br>school meeting. Formal action<br>plan to support attendance to be<br>agreed, individual attendance<br>targets to be included. Date set<br>for further meeting to review<br>plan.                                               | Any of the above as well as any<br>other relevant school staff, e.g.<br>Learning Mentor, Attendance<br>Officer, SENCO |
| Approx. 6 Weeks<br>(NB sooner if child completely<br>absent) | Further unauthorised absence<br>Attendance below 90% | Meeting to review plan and agree<br>a request for support from Early<br>Help Services or referral to the<br>AO* consideration of a Penalty<br>Notice to be issued (if 85% or<br>below)                                                                            | As above                                                                                                              |
| Legal Action                                                 | Further unauthorised absence                         | Early Help services to consider<br>initiating legal action or school<br>staff to refer to the AO for<br>school- initiated prosecution (if<br>attendance below 85%, referral<br>has not been made to Early<br>Help Services or to the AO for a<br>Penalty Notice). | Early Help services/<br>School staff/AO                                                                               |

\*AO - The LAs Attendance Officer is based within the Admissions and Access to Education Team until July 2018. From September 2018 this area of work will be located with the Early Help Service.