



## Council

26th October 2009

## NOTICE OF MOTION – - ST STEPHEN'S FIRST SCHOOL

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Standing Order 6 by Councillor Colin MacMillan:

"St Stephen's Church of England First School is a mixed, Church of England, voluntary controlled First School based in Mabey Avenue within the Abbey Ward of Redditch with 157 students on its roll.

Ofsted inspected the school on 8-9 July 2009 and gave it the following grades:-

Overall effectiveness of the school	Outstanding (1)
Effectiveness of the Early Years Foundation Stage	Outstanding (1)
Achievement and Standards	Outstanding (1)
Personal development and well-being	Good (2)
Teaching and Learning	Outstanding (1)
Curriculum and other activities	Outstanding (1)
Care, guidance and support	Outstanding (1)
Leadership and Management	Outstanding (1)

In a letter to the children Andrew Watters, Her Majesty's Inspector, described the school as '...outstanding, which means that it is one of the best schools in the country...'

Would the Council join with me in congratulating Kathy Skan, Headmistress, and all her staff, governors and, of course, the pupils for this great achievement and ask the Chief Executive to write to them expressing the Council's recognition of their achievement.

In addition I would ask the Mayor and Leader of the Council to visit the school to personally pass on their thanks to all concerned.

I move that the Council approve the Motion in the Terms stated and that the action indicated in the penultimate paragraph above be pursued."

Proposed by: Cllr C MacMillan

Seconded by: Cllr M Braley