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To: Children's and Young People's Cabinet Committee – 13 September 2022

Subject: DECISIONS TAKEN OUTSIDE OF THE CABINET COMMITTEE MEETING CYCLE

Classification: Unrestricted

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Summary: The attached decision was taken between meetings as they could not reasonably be deferred to the next programmed meeting of the Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee for the reason set out below.

Recommendation(s):

Cabinet Committee is asked to NOTE that the following decision has been taken in accordance with the process as set out in Part 2 paragraph 12.35 of the Constitution: 22/00077 - Whitfield Aspen Primary School (Dover) sports field

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Set in accordance with the Council's governance arrangements, all Significant or Key Decisions must be listed in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions and should be submitted to the relevant Cabinet Committee for endorsement or recommendation prior to the decision being taken by the Cabinet Member or Cabinet.
- 1.2 For the reason set out below it has not been possible for this decision to be discussed by the Cabinet Committee prior to being taken by the Cabinet Member or Cabinet. Therefore, in accordance with process as set out in Part 2 paragraph 12.35 of the Constitution, the following decision was taken and published to all Members of this Cabinet Committee and the Scrutiny Committee.

2. Decision

- 2.1 To complete the works to provide the School with the facilities it requires at a quality level that is appropriate, safe, and long lasting, £1.5m of additional funding is needed. One aspect of the works, the provision of the sports field, is time critical. The seasonal nature of these works necessitates the commencing in September 2022, in order to ensure this was available for September 2023.

2.2 Delaying any approval for the works would mean the field not being available until Easter 2024. To enable the contract to progress this work to be let, a non-key decision (22/00077) was taken by the Cabinet member for Education and Skills to allocate £275,000 of funding. The contract cost is circa £450k. Other funding in the project is covering the difference, pending a key decision 22/00064 - Additional funding required to complete the construction of the expansion of Whitfield Aspen Primary School (Dover) onto a satellite site on the remaining funding required, which is £1.225m. Decision 22/00064 will be considered by the Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee on 13 September 2022.

3. Recommendations:

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4. Background Documents

22/00077 - Whitfield Aspen Primary School (Dover) sports field

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