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To:	Education Cabinet Committee – 19 March 2013
Subject	Decision number: 12/01962/2 - Proposal to expand The Discovery School, Kings Hill Decision number: 12/02024/2 - Proposal to expand Palm Bay Primary School (Community) Decision number: 12/02001/2 - Proposal to expand Hawkinge Primary School Decision Number: 12/01961/2 - Proposal to expand Repton Manor Primary School
Classification:	Unrestricted

Summary:	This report sets out for consideration the results of the public notice period recently closed for the following schools: Proposal to expand Palm Bay Primary School Proposal to expand The Discovery School Proposal to expand Hawkinge Primary School Proposal to expand Repton Manor Primary School and reports the proposed decision of the Cabinet Member in light of these results
Recommendations:	The Education Cabinet Committee is asked to: (i) Note the outcomes of the Statutory Public Notices; (ii) Comment, endorse, or make recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Education Learning and Skills on the decision to implement the expansions to Palm Bay Primary School, The Discovery School, Hawkinge Primary School, and Repton Manor Primary School; and ALLOCATE the capital funds to enable the expansion of Fleetdown Primary School to proceed.  (iii) AUTHORISE the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support in consultation with the Director of Law and Governance to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council  (iii) AUTHORISE the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts

## 1. Introduction

1.1 On 21 January 2013, Education Cabinet Committee endorsed the proposed decision of the Cabinet Member for Education, Learning and Skills that he take the

decision to issue public notices to expand the following schools: The Discovery School (Kings Hill), Palm Bay Primary School (Margate), Hawkinge Primary School (Folkestone) and Repton Park School (Ashford).

## **2. Palm Bay Primary School Statutory Public Notice**

2.1 The public notice was published on 8 February 2013 and expired on 8 March.

2.2 *Responses to the Statutory Public Notice.*

No comments or statutory objections to the notice were received.

2.3 *Financial Implications*

Capital funding is required to complete this expansion. The funding available comes from an annual Government allocation, topped up, where eligible, with developer contributions. The estimated cost for 2013-14 on this expansion is £506,995. This has been included within the 2013-14 capital programme.

## **3. Proposal to expand The Discovery School, Kings Hill**

3.1 The public notice was published on 10 February 2013 and expired on 10 March.

3.2 *Responses to the Statutory Public Notice.*

Two responses were received objecting to the school expansion. The comments had been previously submitted and considered by the Cabinet Member as a response to the KCC consultation and he has again had regard to the points raised before recommending the proposed decision contained within this report

3.3 *Financial Implications*

Capital funding is required to complete this expansion. The funding available comes from an annual Government allocation, topped up, where eligible, with developer contributions. The estimated cost for 2013-14 on this expansion is £209,975 and for 2014/15 £209,975. This has been included within the 2013-14 capital programme. The 2014/15 capital programme has yet to be agreed following the Government's recent announcement on Capital Grant. However, this project will need to be included.

## **4. Proposal to expand Hawkinge Primary School, Folkestone**

4.1 The public notice was published on 10 February 2013 and expired on 10 March.

4.2 *Responses to the Statutory Public Notice.*

No comments or statutory objections to the notice were received.

4.3 *Financial Implications*

Capital funding is required to complete this expansion. The funding available comes from an annual Government allocation, topped up, where eligible, with Developer contributions. The estimated cost for 2013-14 of this expansion is £123,253 and for 2014-15 £907,478. This has been included within the 2013-14 capital programme. The 2014/15 capital programme has yet to be agreed following the Government's recent announcement on Capital Grant. However, this project will need to be included.

## **5. Proposal to expand Repton Manor Primary School, Ashford**

5.1 The public notice was published on 10 February 2013 and expired on 10 March.

5.2 *Responses to the Statutory Public Notice*

No comments or statutory objections to the notice were received.

5.3 *Financial Implications*

This project has already been funded from previous decision: 11/01780- Expansion of Repton Manor Primary School from a 1FE to 2FE and the current capital programme.

## **6. Equality Impact Assessment**

6.1 The Equality Impact Assessments have been completed and can be found at the consultation page for each school expansion.

<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/consultationHome>

## **7. Recommendations**

Education Cabinet Committee are asked to

- (i) Note the outcomes of the statutory public notices;
- (ii) Comment, endorse, or make recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Education Learning and Skills on the decision to implement the expansions to Palm Bay Primary School, The Discovery School, Hawkinge Primary School, and Repton Manor Primary School; and ALLOCATE the capital funds to enable the expansion of Fleetdown Primary School to proceed.
- (iii) AUTHORISE the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support in consultation with the Director of Law and Governance to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council
- (iii) AUTHORISE the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts

## **8. Background Documents (and links to them)**

### ***Palm Bay Primary School***

Report to ECC on 12 September 2012 - Primary Commissioning – Thanet District – <https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mgChooseDocPack.aspx?ID=4880>

Report to ECC on 21 January 2013 - Decision number: 12/02024 - Proposal to expand Palm Bay Primary School (Community)

<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s37706/Item%20B2a%20RM%20ECC%20second%20Paper%20Palm%20Bay%20Expansion%2018%2001%2013.pdf>

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<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/PalmBay/consultationHome>

Proposal to expand Palm Bay Primary School (Community) Public Notice and Consultation Document

<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/PalmBay/consultationHome>

### ***The Discovery School***

Report to ECC on 12 September 2012 - Primary Commissioning –Tonbridge and Malling–<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mgChooseDocPack.aspx?ID=4880>

Report to ECC on 21 January 2013 - Decision number: 12/02024 - Proposal to expand The Discovery School

<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/documents/s37706/Item%20B2a%20RM%20ECC%20second%20Paper%20Discovery%20Expansion%2018%2001%2013.pdf>

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<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/Discovery/consultationHome>

Proposal to expand The Discovery School Public Notice and Consultation Document  
<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/Discovery/consultationHome>

***Hawkinge Primary School***

Report to ECC on 12 September 2012 - Primary Commissioning –Shepway District–  
<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mgChooseDocPack.aspx?ID=4880>

Report to ECC on 21 January 2013 - Decision number: 12/02024 - Proposal to expand  
Hawkinge Primary School

<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=746&MId=4841&Ver=4>

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<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/Hawkinge/consultationHome>

Proposal to expand Hawkinge Primary School Public Notice and Consultation Document  
<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/Hawkinge/consultationHome>

***Repton Manor Primary School***

Report to ECC on 12 September 2012 - Primary Commissioning Ashford District –  
<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mgChooseDocPack.aspx?ID=4880>

Report to ECC on 21 January 2013 - Decision number: 12/02024 - Proposal to expand  
Repton Manor Primary School

<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=746&MId=4841&Ver=4>

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<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/ReptonManor/consultationHome>

Proposal to expand Repton Manor Primary School Public Notice and Consultation  
Document

<http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/ReptonManor/consultationHome>

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