

Decision to be taken by: Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform

Date decision will be taken by: **May 2015**

Decision No:
16/00032

Key decision Yes

Reason: Spend greater than £1m

Subject: Proposal to expand Whitfield Primary School, Dover

The Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform is asked to consider and approve the recommendations to:

- (ii) To allocate funds from the Education and Young People's Services Capital Programme so that the expansion can go ahead.
- (iii) To authorise the Director of Property and Infrastructure Support in consultation with the Director of Governance and Law to enter into any necessary contracts/agreements on behalf of the County Council; and
- (iv) To 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.

Is it expected that the Press and Public will be excluded for all or part of the discussion of the decision or that all or part of the decision documents will be exempt from publication? What is likely to be the reason for this exemption?

N/A

How the proposed decision meets the objectives of 'Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes: Kent County Council's Strategic Statement (2015-2020)'.

The project is in line with Kent strategies and in particular the following Supporting Outcomes:

- All children and young people are engaged, thrive and achieve their potential through academic and vocational education
- Kent young people are confident and ambitious with choices and access to work, education and training opportunities

Financial Implications:

The costs to this project will be outlined in the report that will be considered by the Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee.

Legal Implications:

Any legal implications will be explained in the report to the Cabinet Member prior to him taking his decision.

Equality Implications:

An Equality Impact Assessment will be produced before the start of the consultation process and will be accessible on line via the following link:

www.kent.gov.uk/schoolconsultations

Is the matter referred to in your Business Plan or Medium Term Capital Programme? Yes

Has the matter already been discussed by a Cabinet Committee – if so what comments were received?

The expansion is highlighted in the Commissioning Plan for Education Provision In Kent 2016-2020. This document was discussed at Education & Young People's Services Cabinet Committee on 15 December 2015. It will be discussed by the Cabinet Committee at its meeting on 11 May 16

Other consultation planned or undertaken:

The School's Governing Body is proposing to enlarge the school, and plans to consultation on the proposed enlargement in March 2016. The outcome will be considered by the Governing Body, and the consultation outcomes will also be reported to the Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee.

Which Members and electoral Divisions are affected by this proposed decision?

Geoff Lymer (Dover West)

Supporting Documents: (Any documents that the decision taker is likely to rely on, or has relied on, in taking the decision)

Commissioning Plan for Education Provision in Kent 2016-20

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