KENT COUNTY COUNCIL -RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Roger Gough,

Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform

DECISION NO:

16/00031

For publication

Subject: Proposed Expansion of Headcorn Primary School (Maidstone)

Decision

As Cabinet Member for Education and Health Reform I agree to:

Issue a public notice to:

Expand Headcorn Primary School, Kings Road, Headcorn from 210 to 420, increasing the published admission number (PAN) from 30 to 60 for Year R entry for 1 September 2017

And, subject to no new objections to the public notice

- (ii) Allocate £2.7 million from the Basic Needs budget, which over a period of time is expected to be offset by up to £2.6 million from developer contributions.
- (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
- (iv) 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.

Implement the proposals according to the dates identified above.

Should objections, not already considered by the cabinet member when taking this decision, be received during the notice period a separate decision will be required in order to continue the proposal in order to allow for proper consideration of the points raised.

This decision is subject to planning permission being granted.

Reason(s) for decision:

In reaching this decision I have taken into account:

- the views expressed by those put in writing in response to the consultation;
- the views of the District, Borough and Parish Councils, the local County Councillor; the local MP Governing Bodies of the schools, Staff and Pupils; schools from the surrounding area
- the Equalities Impact Assessment and comments received regarding this; and
- the views of the Education and Young People's Cabinet Committee

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

11 May 2016

The Education and Young People's Services Cabinet Committee at its meeting RESOLVED to: Issue a public notice to:

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Any alternatives considered:

The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision 2015-19 and 2016-20 explored all options and the expansion of this school was deemed the suitable option.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer: