

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY:

Roger Gough

Cabinet Member for Education & Health Reform

DECISION NO:

17/00022

For publication**Key decision***

Key decision due to the expenditure being more than £1m.

Subject:

A Proposal to permanently expand Mayfield Grammar School, Gravesend from a PAN of 145 to 180 from September 2017.

Decision:

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

- a. Allocate a sum of up to £5.2m from the Education and Young People's Services Capital Budget, to fund any necessary additional works or variations to accommodation.
- b. Authorise the Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the General Counsel, to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council.
- c. Authorise the Director of Infrastructure to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts.

Reason(s) for decision:

- The Gravesham district section of the Kent Commissioning Plan for Education Provision 2017-21 identified pressure for Year 7 places in the Gravesham area. The Commissioning Plan identified a need to provide up to 100 additional Year 7 places in the planning area from September 2017.
- Every secondary school in the district was considered as a possible proposal for expansion according to several criteria, including location, cost, proximity to demand, site size, willingness of the school, highways issues, Sport England and Ofsted rating. Three all-ability schools have been identified for expansion, but following closer analysis, there is a defined need for Girls Grammar places in the Gravesham area. Mayfield Grammar School is the only option for expansion.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

RESOLVED – That the Cabinet Committee endorsed the proposed decision of the Cabinet Member

for Education and Health Reform to:

(a) Allocate a sum of up to £5.2 million from the Education and Young People's Services Capital Budget to fund any necessary additional works or variations to accommodation.

(b) Authorise the Director of Infrastructure, in consultation with the General Counsel, to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council.

(c) Authorise the Director of Infrastructure to be the nominated Authority Representative within the relevant agreements and to enter into variations as envisaged under the contracts.

Any alternatives considered:

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


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signed

26th April 2017
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date