

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Eric Hotson, Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services

DECISION NO:

17/00076

For publication

Subject: Funding of the new John Wallis Academy development, Sale of land and relocation of children's centre to Stanhope Sports Hall, Ashford, TN23 3HG

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services, I agree the following:

1. KCC entering into The First Funding Agreement with The John Wallis Church of England Academy, Ashford for the construction of a new primary school building on the terms outlined in the exempt report.
2. The First Funding Agreement being subject to The John Wallis Church of England Academy surrendering its existing lease to KCC on the terms set out in the exempt report.
3. The agreement of the final terms for decisions 1& 2 above to be delegated to the Director of Infrastructure.
4. The Director of Infrastructure bringing forward a request for a further decision for The Second Funding Agreement with The John Wallis Church of England Academy using the usual County Council decision process.
5. The Director of Infrastructure bringing forward a request for a decision for KCC to enter into a new lease with the John Wallis Church of England Academy on part of Stanhope Sports Halls enabling the re-location of the children's centre from the Ray Allen Centre.
6. The Director of Infrastructure arranging the disposal of surplus land arising from the proposal and bringing the heads of terms back at the appropriate time for a further decision.

Reason(s) for decision:

A key decision is required owing to the funding and contract levels exceeding the financial criteria for Key Decisions as set out in the Council's constitution. This decision will result in the following outcomes:

- Better education provision
- New Children's Centre provision
- Housing development
- Capital receipt from the disposal of land which will be used to fund KCC's capital funding priorities

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

Key Members have been consulted in respect of this urgent decision and these have been forwarded to the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Democratic Services for consideration.

Any alternatives considered:

Consideration has been given to other delivery options but this proposal offers the best outcomes.

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

None


Signed: Eric Hotson


date