

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL –RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Roger Gough,
Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and
Education

DECISION NO:

17/00107

For Publication

Subject: Proposed Expansion of Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys, St John's Road, Tunbridge Wells, TN4 9XB

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Education Cabinet I agree to: support the expansion of Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys, St John's Road, Tunbridge Wells, TN4 9XB. Therefore, I agree to:

- (i) Allocate £7.7 million from the Basic Needs budget to fund the permanent expansion of Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys, thereby increasing the PAN from 180 to 210 selective secondary school places from September 2019.
- (ii) Authorise the Director of Infrastructure in consultation with General Counsel to enter into any necessary contracts/ agreements on behalf of the County Council
- (iii) 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

This decision is conditional upon planning permission being granted. The costs of the project are estimates and these may increase as the project is developed. If the cost of the project is greater than 10%, the Cabinet Member will be required to take a further decision to allocate the additional funding.

Reason(s) for decision:

In reaching this decision I have taken into account:

- the views expressed by those put in writing by the Area Education Officer for West Kent, the school and the Governing Body.
- the views of the Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee which are set out below

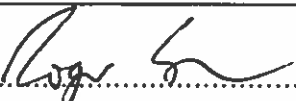
Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The matter was considered and endorsed by the Cabinet Committee for Children, Young People and Education at its meeting on 22 November 2017

Any alternatives considered:

The Commissioning Plan for Education Provision 2017-21 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:
None


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Signed

12 December 2017.....
Date