

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

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

DECISION NO:

18/00059

For publication

Subject: Establishing a 15 place Specialist Resource Provision at Kings Farm Primary School

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Education, having taken into account the recommendation of the Children, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee, I agree that a Public Notice be issued.

Reason(s) for decision:

In reaching this decision I have taken into account:

- The need for additional ASD places to meet increasing demand, as set out in Kent's Strategy for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).
- That these proposals will have a positive impact in Gravesham as Kings Farm Primary School will be able to provide support to pupils with a diagnosis of ASD.
- The views of the local County Councillor, Area Education Officer; Headteacher and Governing Body of Kings Farm Primary School;
- The Equalities Impact Assessment and comments received regarding this; and
- the views of the Children, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee which are set out below

Financial Implications

Capital

There will be minor changes made to the internal layout of a teaching room at the school. It is envisaged that this can be met within the schools' own resources, with no draw on the KCC Capital Budget.

Revenue

The LA will agree the number of places with the school, to a maximum of 15.

Human

Kings Farm Primary will recruit staff for the SRP as the need arises and increases.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

At its meeting on 29 November 2018:

Marisa White (Area Education Officer - East Kent), Ian Watts (Area Education Officer – North Kent), David Adams (Area Education Officer - South Kent) and Jared Nehra (Area Education Officer - West Kent) were in attendance for this item.

1. Ms White, Mr Watts, Mr Adams and Mr Nehra introduced the reports which set out the proposed decisions to expand or alter the following schools: John Wesley Church of England Methodist Primary School, Ashford, Kings Farm Primary School, Gravesend, The Westlands (Secondary Academy) School, and the changes to specialist provision in Maidstone and Malling.

2. Officers answered questions from Members of the Committee and comments were noted.

3. The recommendations for this proposed decision were as follows:

4. RESOLVED that the decision proposed to be taken by the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Education, to

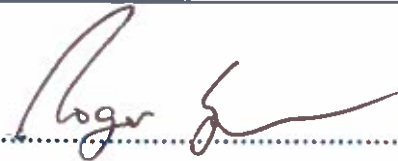
a) consider the results of a consultation to seek opinions on the establishment of a 15 place Specialist Resource Provision at Kings Farm Primary School; and

b) issue a statutory public notice to establish a 15 place Special Resource Provision at Kings Farm Primary School from September 2019

be endorsed.

Any alternatives considered:
None

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:
None



6 / 12 / 2018

Signed

Date