

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Peter Oakford Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate and Traded Services

DECISION NO:

19/00077

For publication**Key decision***

This is a key decision, as it involves expenditure over £1m

Subject: Letting of the building contract for the Barton Court Academy Trust Free School Project Canterbury

Decision:

As Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate and Traded Services I propose to: approve the award of building contracts to Kier Construction Limited for the Barton Court Free School and delegate authority to the Director of Infrastructure in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate and Traded Services to finalise the contractual terms and enter into any necessary documentation including land sale and development agreements.

Reason(s) for decision:

KCC is delivering the construction of the new Barton Court Free School on the former Chaucer School site in Canterbury. The DfE has appointed KCC to act as the Local Delivery Agent (Responsible Body), with Gen2 acting as KCC's Agent. As the Responsible Body, KCC will be the contracting authority for the purpose of delivering the scheme. The new school will be located on part of the former Chaucer School site, with the remainder allocated to the land disposal programme.

Financial implications:

Funding for the project is provided by Project Delivery Grant from the Department for Education. KCC applies for the grant on a stage by stage basis.

Legal Implications:

A Minor Works building contract together with the Main Contract (JCT Design & Build Lump Sum Contract – Standard DfE Forms of Contract for Framework appointment) both with Kier Construction for the new Free School will be entered into.

Other legal agreements are anticipated to facilitate the development and are under negotiation/preparation:

Equalities Implications:

N/A

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

A paper was presented to June 2019 ICB outlining the outcome of the procurement process to secure a building contractor and contracts are ready to be finalised.

Any alternatives considered: None

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

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