

Decision No: CMM –

Forward Plan No: CYP19040

This record relates to Agenda Item 77 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR VANESSA BROWN

PORTFOLIO AREA: CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

SUBJECT: EDUCATION CAPITAL RESOURCES & CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAMME, 2011/12.

AUTHOR: GILLIAN CHURCHILL

THE DECISION

- 1) That the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People recommends to Cabinet the allocation of funding as set out in paragraphs 3.6 to 3.38 in the report.
- 2) Subject to Cabinet approval, the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People approves the allocation of funding as shown in appendices 2 and 3 of the agenda.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The proposed Capital Investment programme will enable us to continue to ensure that we provide school places in areas of the city where they are required and to improve the condition of our education property portfolio.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The only option available would be to not make use of this funding to improve / extend the education property portfolio. This is not recommended as it would limit our ability to maintain, modernise and improve our school buildings property portfolio.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

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Date:

28 March 2011

Decision Maker:

Councillor Vanessa Brown
Cabinet Member for Children & Young
People

Signed:



Proper Officer:

28 March 2011

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

Signed:



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Call-In Period

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*

Decision No: CMM –

Forward Plan No: CYP20234

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RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR VANESSA BROWN

PORTFOLIO AREA: CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

SUBJECT: CHILDCARE SUFFICIENCY
ASSESSMENT

AUTHOR: VICKY JENKINS

THE DECISION

That the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People-

- 1) Notes the contents and findings of the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment.
- 2) Notes that the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment found a positive response to childcare by those using it and that parents were very happy with their childcare arrangements overall. No major geographical gaps in provision were found; however many parents reported finding childcare expensive.
- 3) Agree that an action plan be developed to address the gaps outlined in section 3.8 of the agenda as part of a childcare commissioning strategy.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The Childcare Act 2006 s.11 requires local authorities to carry out an assessment of the childcare in their area at least every three years. Local authorities carried out their first assessment in 2008 and the next one must be completed by April 2011.

Section 6 of the same act requires local authorities to secure sufficient childcare to meet the needs of working parents in their area for children up to the age of 14, or 18 where the child is disabled.

Brighton & Hove's childcare sufficiency assessment (CSA) was carried out in accordance with the Childcare Act 2006 and associated statutory guidance. It involved assessing demand for childcare, mapping childcare supply, and matching the two together to discover whether there were any gaps in provision. The draft CSA has been made public in order to consult on its findings.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

None

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

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RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR VANESSA BROWN

PORTFOLIO AREA: CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

SUBJECT: SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2012/13

AUTHOR: STEVE HEALEY

THE DECISION

That the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People agree:

- 1) That the proposed school admissions numbers set out in the consultation documents be adopted for the admissions year 2012/13, with the exception of Dorothy Stringer School which should increase to 330.
- 2) That the admission priorities for Community Schools set out in the consultation documents are adopted for all age groups.

- 3) A blanket priority for children who have been adopted away from birth families will be added to priority 2 for both primary and secondary schools.
- 4) That the Council should review the final version of the Cardinal Newman Roman Catholic Secondary School admission arrangements (as amended in light of the Diocesan response and parental and school responses) to decide whether it should comment further.
- 5) That the co-ordinated schemes of admissions be approved.
- 6) That the City boundary be retained as the relevant area for consultation for school admissions.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Each year local authorities must consult upon school admission arrangements and school admission numbers with community schools and voluntary aided schools, neighbouring Local Authorities and with parents living in the City. This process includes the proposed admission priorities for community schools and those proposed by the governing bodies of voluntary aided schools and academies. This consultation takes place approximately 18 months in advance of the school year in which pupils will be admitted under the proposed arrangements. The consultation papers for the 2012/13 admission year for Brighton & Hove are attached as Annex 1.

Local authorities must also set out schemes for co-ordinated admissions, including key dates in the admission process, and also the arrangements for consultation with Voluntary Aided schools in the City and with other local authorities. They also establish the area (the “relevant area”) within which the admission consultation should take place.

The consultation process must have been concluded by 1st March 2011, with a minimum of 8 weeks consultation time. This requirement has been fulfilled. The City Council must have reached its decisions and confirmed its admission arrangements for 2012/13 by 15th April 2011 in order to conform to the requirements of the School Admissions Code.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The City Council is required in law to review its school admission arrangements every year, although following the Education and Skills Act 2008 this changed to once every three years if no changes are made. The consultation is intended to identify alternative proposals for admission arrangements. Issues raised by schools and parents will be set out in the appendices to this report.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

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