EXECUTIVE 26 JANUARY 2016 5.00 - 5.25 PM



Present:

Councillors Bettison (Chairman), Dr Barnard (Vice-Chairman), D Birch, Brunel-Walker, Mrs Hayes MBE, Heydon, McCracken and Turrell

23. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

24. Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive on 15 December 2015 together with the accompanying decision records be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Leader.

25. Executive Decisions

The Executive considered the reports submitted on the items listed below and the decisions taken are recorded in the decision sheets attached to these minutes and summarised below:

Item 5. School Places Plan 2015-2020

RESOLVED that the School Places Plan 2015 – 2020 which forecasts a further 3,479 pupils will be seeking a school place by 2020, a 21% increase be noted.

Item 6. Bracknell Forest Sensory Needs Strategy

RESOLVED that:

- the 2015-2020 Sensory Needs Strategy be approved subject to suggested amendments
- ii. the development of an Action Plan by the Sensory Needs Partnership Board driven by the Sensory Needs Strategy be agreed

Item 7. Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment

RESOLVED that the Executive endorses the priorities identified within the Strategic Assessment.

Item 8. Education Capital Programme - Great Hollands Primary School Expansion

RESOLVED that the award of contract for the construction works for the expansion of Great Hollands Primary School be awarded to Tenderer F, as detailed in the

restricted appendix to the Director of Children, Young People and Learning's report, subject to the final lump sum not exceeding the amount set out in paragraph 19 of the Restricted Appendix.

LEADER

Work Programme Reference	1051899

1. TITLE: School Places Plan 2015-2020

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Children, Young People and Learning

3. PURPOSE OF DECISION

To approve the annual update of the School Places Plan that describes latest pupil data, forecasts of pupil numbers for the next five years and a commentary on the need to add school capacity.

4 IS KEY DECISION Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION:**

That the School Places Plan 2015 – 2020 which forecasts a further 3,479 pupils will be seeking a school place by 2020, a 21% increase be noted.

7. REASON FOR DECISION

The provision of school places remains an essential part of the Council's organisation and planning process and enables the Council to meet its statutory duties in relation to school places. A school place continues to be available for every child in the Borough who wants one.

On the last occasion that Department for Education grants for targeted basic needs were allocated, the Council's 2012-based forecasts were successful in securing £7.8M of grant through the bidding process to build additional places in the future.

The Council forecasts on a 'worst case' basis, bringing schemes forward for implementation when short term forecasts demonstrate the need.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

It is business critical to undertake pupil forecasting to ensure the Council meets its statutory obligation of sufficiency of school places. The plan provides a mechanism to communicate these forecasts.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Professional partners

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Children, Young People & Learning.

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
26 January 2016	2 February 2016

Work Programme Reference	1054237

1. **TITLE:** Bracknell Forest Sensory Needs Strategy

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Adult Social Care, Health & Housing

3. PURPOSE OF DECISION

The Bracknell Forest Sensory Needs Strategy sets out the needs of people with sensory needs living in Bracknell Forest and identifies priorities for support. This Strategy covers 2015 – 2020.

4 IS KEY DECISION Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION:**

That:

- i. the 2015-2020 Sensory Needs Strategy be approved subject to suggested amendments
- ii. the development of an Action Plan by the Sensory Needs Partnership Board driven by the Sensory Needs Strategy be agreed

7. REASON FOR DECISION

The current Sensory Needs Strategy for Bracknell Forest runs until the end of 2014. There is currently no local document providing strategic direction for the development of sensory needs support in Bracknell Forest. From the end of 2014 to date, the Sensory Needs Partnership Board has been responsible updating and implementing the Sensory Needs Action Plan.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Not changing the existing strategy.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** People who have sensory needs (including people who are Blind, have Low Vision, are

Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deafblind or have

Dual Sensory Needs).

People who care for people with Sensory

Needs.

Voluntary organisations supporting people

with Sensory Needs.

Practitioners supporting people with Sensory

Needs.

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Adult Social Care, Health &

Housing

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
26 January 2016	2 February 2016

Work Programme Reference	1057609

- 1. **TITLE:** Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment
- 2. **SERVICE AREA:** Chief Executive's Office
- 3. PURPOSE OF DECISION

Executive are asked to endorse the proposed Strategy for next year.

- 4 IS KEY DECISION Yes
- 5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive
- 6. **DECISION**:

That the Executive endorses the priorities identified within the Strategic Assessment.

7. REASON FOR DECISION

To allow the Executive to provide representations regarding the identified priorities prior to the drafting of the 2016 Refresh of the Community Safety Partnership Plan.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

There are no alternative options as the Strategic Assessment is a statutory requirement.

9. PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED: Public

Elected Members Partnerships Stakeholders

Business community

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Assistant Chief Executive

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
26 January 2016	2 February 2016

Work Programme Reference	1057471

- 1. **TITLE:** Education Capital Programme Great Hollands Primary School Expansion
- 2. **SERVICE AREA:** Children, Young People and Learning
- 3. PURPOSE OF DECISION

Approval of the award of contract for the construction works for the expansion of Great Hollands Primary School

- 4 IS KEY DECISION Yes
- 5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive
- 6. **DECISION**:

That the award of contract for the construction works for the expansion of Great Hollands Primary School be awarded to Tenderer F, as detailed in the restricted appendix to the Director of Children, Young People and Learning's report, subject to the final lump sum not exceeding the amount set out in paragraph 19 of the Restricted Appendix

7. REASON FOR DECISION

The value of this contract requires Executive approval under the Council's Contract Standing Orders.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Great Hollands was one of eleven South Bracknell primary schools considered for expansion by the Education Capital Programme Board in 2014 and it was selected because of the schools with sufficient site area, it had a "Good" rating at Ofsted and the estimated cost was affordable.

A feasibility study was then undertaken of Great Hollands to identify different options for the expansion of the school buildings which has been subject to consultation and agreement with the Headteacher and Governing Body.

Doing nothing is not an option because the Council has a statutory duty to provide sufficient pupil places.

- 9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Headteacher, Governing Body, parents, local neighbours/residents.
- 10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Children, Young People & Learning.

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