

TO: EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CHILDREN YOUNG PEOPLE & LEARNING
02 December 2014

RELEASE OF SECTION 106 FUNDING
Director of Children, Young People & Learning

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To agree the release of S106 contributions as part of the 2014/15 Education Capital Programme.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **That the Executive Member agrees the allocation of £22,704.80 of S106 contributions as part of the 2014/15 Education Capital Programme to the schemes set out in the attached APPENDIX A.**

3 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Executive Member has delegated responsibility to release S106 funding to specific schemes, up to the total of £250,000 agreed by Full Council. In June 2014 the Executive Member approval released for £216,783 of S106 funding, and the £22,704.80 in this report is the part of the remaining balance of the £250,000.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 None

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

S106 Contributions

- 5.1 S106 contributions are paid to the Council by housing developers to meet the cost of the impact of their development on the Council's infrastructure.
- 5.2 Bracknell Forest can only seek education S106 contributions for education where there is a deficit of places at the school in whose Designated Area the housing development is located. Because the Council has a statutory duty to provide sufficient pupil places, the highest priority for this funding is to create the additional school places required to address deficits of places across the Borough.
- 5.3 S106 Contributions are paid to the Council, not to individual schools because the statutory duty rests with the Council. The majority of individual contributions are not given in respect of any particular school because it is recognised that not all schools are capable of being expanded. Contributions do however carry restrictions over how the Council can use them, including a requirement for them to be spent within a given radius of the housing development, usually up to 3km for primary education contributions. This does allow the Council to spend contributions on neighbouring schools if they fall within the prescribed radius.

Unrestricted

- 5.4 S106 Contribution are paid to the Council to provide, expand or improve youth facilities usually within 3km of the development site.
- 5.5 S106 Contribution are paid to the Council and towards the cost of employment training and improving skill levels with 10 km of the development.
- 5.6 The individual contributions which are the subject of this report have all been allocated in line with the terms of the individual Section 106 agreements to which they relate, and allocated to the relevant construction projects as follows:
- 5.6.1 Holly Spring: £555. The money will contribute towards the cost of the project to expand the Infant & Junior schools by 1FE from a combined PAN of 60 to 90 to create 210 additional places from September 2013.
- 5.6.2 Owlsmoor £4,076.80. The money will contribute towards the cost of the proposed expansion of the school by 1FE from a PAN of 76 to 90 in the intake year to create 98 additional places from September 2015 onwards.
- 5.6.3 Trax/ North Ascot Youth Centre £4,755. As from January 2014 Trax/N Ascot is managed by The Ark. The money will enable this voluntary/community group to enhance their ICT provision at the centre and they will develop improvements to the ICT provision with the introduction of Apple iMac computers and enhancements to the existing wireless provision. Additionally to this there will be a need for the security of the kit to ensure it is safe.
- 5.6.4 NRG/Coopers Hill WIFI £725. The money will contribute towards the cost of wiring for WIFI which will enhance the service offered by the Youth Centre.
- 5.6.5 Bracknell Open Learning Centre £12,593. The money will contribute to the funding of fixed TV screens and IT cabling to advertise courses.

Funding

- 5.7 The Council's 2014/15 education capital programme includes £250,000 of general section 106 contributions for the Executive Member to allocate to individual schemes. The total value of this report is £22,704.80 which falls within this total.
- 5.8 All of the contributions set out in this report have already been received by the Council.

6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

Borough Solicitor

- 6.1 The Borough Solicitor's advice is reflected in the contents of this report.

Borough Treasurer

- 6.2 The Borough Treasurer is satisfied that sufficient resources exist to agree the proposed funding allocations.

Equalities Impact Assessment

6.3 Equalities Impact Assessments are completed as part of the Procurement Plans for the individual construction projects. The new construction will be designed and built to comply with current British Standards for accessibility for disabled people.

6.4 Strategic Risk Management Issues

ISSUE	RISK	COMMENT	
1	School Places	MEDIUM	S106 contributions will contribute to the provision of the new schools places required.
2	Planning Risk	MEDIUM	Works at Eastern Road are subject to planning permission
3	Insufficient Funding	LOW	Works will be adjusted to fit available resources
4	Workload Capacity	LOW	Projects will be delivered via the Managing Partner
5	Programme Risk	LOW	Programmes are achievable will fit to cash flow

7. CONSULTATION

Principal Groups Consulted

7.1 Construction works at individual schools are subject of consultation with Headteachers and Governors. There is also consultation with Ward Members. Neighbours and stakeholders are consulted as part of the statutory planning process.

Method of Consultation

7.2 Meetings with Headteachers and Governors. Ward Members are notified by email. Neighbours are consulted by letter from the Planners. Representations Received

7.3 The designs for the various works evolve as feedback is received from the various consultees. The final designs are signed off by the schools before the work is tendered.

Background Papers

APPENDIX A S106 Contributions

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APPENDIX A

**CYP&L RELEASE OF SECTION 106 FUNDING 2014/15
DECEMBER 2014**

1. Expansion of Holly Spring

S106 CONTRIBUTION REF	HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE	AMOUNT	OF WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT TO RELEASE	BALANCE
					(to be released at a later date)
YN490	10 Lyndhurst Close, Winkfield	Primary Educational facilities	£555	£555	£0
Total:			£555	£555	£0

2. Expansion of Owlsmoor Primary School

S106 CONTRIBUTION REF	HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE	AMOUNT	OF WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT TO RELEASE	BALANCE
					(to be released at a later date)
YN491	Church Farm, Lower Sandhurst Road, Sandhurst	Primary education facilities within 3km	£4,076.80	£4,076.80	£0
Total:			£4,076.80	£4,076.80	£0

3. Increase IT Service Provision at TRAX/ North Ascot Youth Centre

S106 CONTRIBUTION REF	HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE	AMOUNT	OF WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT TO RELEASE	BALANCE
					(to be released at a later date)
YN347	Montague farm, North Street, Winkfield	Youth facilities within 3km. Must be applied by 06/03/15	£4,300	£4,300	£0
YN393	Neale Lodge, Priory Road, Winkfield		£205	£205	£0

YN455	127a – 131 Fernbank Road, Ascot	Youth facilities within 3km	£250	£250	0
Total:			£4,755	£4,755	£0

4. Increase IT Service Provision at NRG/Coopers Hill Youth Centre

S106 CONTRIBUTION REF	HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE	AMOUNT	OF WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT TO RELEASE	BALANCE
					(to be released at a later date)
YN349	Land at St Chad, Cassares & Ossington, Pollardrow Avenue, Bracknell	Youth facilities within 3km. Refundable if unapplied by 30/04/15	£725	£725	£0
Total:			£725	£725	£0

5. Bracknell Open Learning Centre

S106 CONTRIBUTION REF	HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE	AMOUNT	OF WHICH APPROVAL IS SOUGHT TO RELEASE	BALANCE
					(to be released at a later date)
YN348	Former Thales Site, Western Road, Bracknell	Employment training facilities within 10km. Refundable if not expended/committed by 19/03/15	£12,593	£12,593	£0
Total:			£12,593	£12,593	£0