

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference**E2910****Whitchurch Primary School Purchase of Land for
Expansion**

Decision maker/s	Cllr Michael Evans, Cabinet Member for People & Communities
The Issue	Whitchurch Primary is to expand by 105 places to accommodate pupils from housing development in the area. In order to expand the school a piece of adjacent land needs to be purchased.
Decision Date	29 October 2016
The decision	The Cabinet Member agrees to approve a capital budget of £30,000 from S106 developer contributions received to purchase the land from the Whitchurch Royal British Legion.
Rationale for decision	To meet the Council's legal responsibility for pupil place planning in its area. The land purchase will enable the school expansion to be delivered when the places are needed providing sufficient places in the area.
Financial and budget implications	The expansion of Whitchurch Primary is noted as an Emerging Capital Scheme at Appendix 2 agreed in the Council's 2016-17 Budget Report. A S106 Education and Youth Contribution was received 6 October 2014 for housing development at Orchard View, Sleep Lane, Whitchurch towards expanding or enlarging primary school provision in the area. There are no revenue implications.
Issues considered (these are covered in more detail in the report)	Social Inclusion; Sustainability; Property; Young People; Impact on Staff; Other Legal Considerations.
Consultation undertaken	Ward Councillor; Staff; Other B&NES Services; Service Users; Section 151 Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer.
How consultation was carried out	PID was presented to and approved by Divisional Directors, Section 151 Finance Officer and Monitoring officer on 27 September 2016. School Organisation Manager and the Strategic Director for People & Communities have been consulted and are supportive.
Other options considered	Four developers to jointly purchase the land direct from Whitchurch Royal British Legion.
Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision, including any dispensation granted:	<i>None</i>

Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:	
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Signatures of Decision Makers	
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Date of Signature	29 th October 2016
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Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision