

Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Education - Tuesday, 24 January 2017

Statement of Decision

Present:

Councillor Steve Harrod, Cabinet Member for Education

Officers: Barbara Chillman (Children Families Services) and Deborah Miller

(Law & Governance).

Expansion of Launton CE Primary School

Documentation considered:

Report Expansion of Launton CE Primary School

A copy is attached to the signed copy of this decision.

Summary of representations in person

Barbara Chillman, Service Manager, Pupil Place Planning explained that the recommendation before the Cabinet Member was actually to reject the proposals as the costs were a lot higher than originally thought and the proposal therefore considered as not value for money, in essence £1m for one extra classroom. This, together with no local support meant that officers were not recommending this for agreement at this time.

In response to a question from the Cabinet Member, Ms Chillman confirmed that the worst case scenario of not carrying out these works could be a small percentage increase of parents not getting their first preference school.

Cabinet Member's Comments

In light of the reasons set out by Ms Chillman and the lack of consultation response to these proposals I am content to move the recommendations.

Decision

Having regard to the arguments and options set out in the documentation before me, the representations made to me and the further considerations set out above, I confirm my decisions on this matter as follows:

to reject the proposal to expand Launton CE Primary School at the current time.

(This is because the cost of the options currently identified for the physical expansion of the school's capacity do not represent good value for money.)

Signed Cabinet Member for Education	
Date2017	
Expansion of West Witney Primary School	
Documentation considered: Report	: Expansion of West Witney Primary School
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Cabinet Member's Comments	
I note that S106 Funding is secured, that there were no objections through the consultation process and that the school are very happy to expand.	
Decision	
Having regard to the arguments and options set out in the documentation before me, the representations made to me and the further considerations set out above, I confirm my decisions on this matter as follows:	
The Cabinet Member for Education is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed expansion of West Witney Primary School.	
Signed Cabinet Member for Education Date2017	