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## Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Schools Improvement Tuesday, 6 December 2011

## **ADDENDA**

## 4. Cutteslowe Primary School

Forward Plan Ref: 2011/121

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Report by Interim Director for Children, Education & Families (CMDSI4).

This report was intended for the Cabinet Member meeting today. However, the School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools (England) Regulations 2007) require that a decision must be taken within 2 months of the end of the representations period (para. 31(4) of the same Regulations). This time period expires on 5 December 2011, and therefore a decision as originally scheduled would not comply with the Regulations. An error in the administrative process meant that this was not identified sooner. The administrative process has now been improved, to ensure that this error does not reoccur.

If a decision is not taken on 5 December, the decision must be referred to the schools adjudicator, causing a delay which would interfere with the school's forward planning for this expansion .

The decision was therefore referred to the Assistant Chief Executive & Chief Finance Officer for an executive decision on 5 December 2011, with the decision being reported to and ratified by the Cabinet Member for Schools Improvement at her meeting today. No objections were received during the statutory representation period for this proposal.

The Cabinet Member for Schools Improvement is RECOMMENDED to note and endorse the following decision of the Assistant Chief Executive & Chief Finance Officer:

Having considered the representations made in response to the statutory closure notice with particular reference to the issues detailed in paragraphs 12-20 of the report and the Statutory Guidance to approve the permanent expansion of Cutteslowe Primary School, Oxford, with effect from 1 September 2013.