

Division(s): All

EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 17 JUNE 2019

UPDATE ON NEW SCHOOLS BUILDING PROGRAMME TO 2023

Report by Deputy Director for Education

Introduction

1. At its last meeting Education Scrutiny Committee requested an update on the new schools building programme in the county. Below is the current up to date programme to 2023. After this date the actual date of opening of projected new schools is less certain so not included.

Summary

2. Demand for school places in Oxfordshire continues to rise as indicated in the Pupil Place Plan 2018-2022 and in the SEND Sufficiency Strategy approved by Cabinet in December 2018.
3. This report sets out the programme of new school provision currently commissioned to meet this need.

New Schools Programme

	New Schools	Possible date of opening	Type of academy and Sponsor
1.	The Swan School	September 2019	ESFA led Free School Sponsor: RLT
2.	Whitelands Academy (SW Bicester)	September 2020	LA presumption Sponsor: TWHF
3.	Barton West	September 2020	LA presumption Sponsor: Community Schools Academy Trust
4.	Southam Road	September 2020	LA presumption Sponsor: GLF
5.	Kingsgrove (Crab Hill)	September 2020	LA presumption Sponsor: recommendation made to RSC
6.	Bloxham Grove	December 2020	ESFA led Free School: sponsor Gallery Trust
7.	Windrush CE (W Witney)	September 2021	LA presumption
8.	Graven Hill	September 2021	LA presumption Sponsor The Warriner MAT
9.	Special Free School, Didcot	September 2022	ESFA led Free School in line with council strategy
10.	Grove Airfield	September 2023	ESFA led Free School in line with

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			council strategy. Sponsor: Vale Academy Trust
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4. Plans are advanced for September 2020 schools. Delivery of other schools will be subject to occupation of houses on the new developments. The council does not control the delivery of ESFA led projects but works with its partners to secure this to meet demand.
5. Members are invited to ask questions on the above programme.

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