CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Manby Lodge Infant School expansion

(i) Details of decision

In order to meet increased demand for primary school places in Weybridge, it was agreed that:

- Manby Lodge Infant School be enlarged by 1 form of entry (from 2 FE to 3 FE) on 1 September 2015.
- The school roll be increased by one form each year until September 2017 when its capacity will be 270 pupils.
- An associated building programme go ahead, in a single phase, to provide appropriate new classrooms and facilitate the removal of all temporary accommodation on site. The new build will improve the overall layout of the school and is intended to provide a modern educational facility which will enhance learning.

(ii) Reasons for decision

School rolls have been rising steadily across Elmbridge since 2003. Over this period the birth rate has risen by 24.6%; additionally families have chosen to move into the borough, in part due to housing development. Weybridge Primary School pupil numbers have reflected this borough trend. In 2007 there were around 220 applications for Reception places; by 2020 this is predicted to rise to 270 places, or nine forms of entry (9FE); this is one more form of entry (or 30 Reception places) per year than is currently provided.

(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected

None.

(iv) Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report

None.

Conflicts of Interest and any Dispensations Granted

(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded and any dispensations granted by the Audit and Governance Committee)

None.

Decision taken by:

(i) Name: Linda Kemeny

(ii) **Portfolio:** Cabinet Member for Schools and Learning Decisions

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