# Decision:

# Petitions

The response to the petition relation to opening a new secondary school in Thames Ditton has been deferred to the next Cabinet Member for Schools and Learning in February 2014.

# Decision:

# PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE HYTHE PRIMARY SCHOOL FROM 1 TO 2 FORMS OF ENTRY

### (i) Details of decision

That the proposal to implement the expansion of this school, as set out in the statutory notices, be approved.

#### (ii) Reasons for decision

The Local Authority has a statutory duty to ensure that there are sufficient school places in Surrey. Expansions have recently been commissioned at a number of primary schools in Runnymede including Darley Dene Infant School, Trumps Green Infant School, St Ann's Heath Junior School and Thorpe Church of England Infant School. Even with these additional places, most primary schools in Runnymede are expected to be full and to continue to be full in the future with more schools places needed. Pupil mapping data indicates that there are large number of pupils living within the Egham and Hythe area and that further reception places will be required to keep up with demand.

#### (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

Date of Decision: 15 January 2014

Date of Publication of Record of Decision: 16 January 2014

<u>Date decision effective</u> (i.e. 5 working days after date of publication of record of decision unless subject to call-in by the Children and Education Select Committee): 24 January 2014

# Decision:

# EXPANSION OF LYNE AND LONGCROSS CHURCH OF ENGLAND INFANT SCHOOL FROM A ONE FORM ENTRY INFANT SCHOOL TO A ONE FORM ENTRY PRIMARY SCHOOL FROM SEPTEMBER 2015

#### (i) Details of decision

That the proposal to implement the expansion of this school, as set out in the statutory notices, be approved.

#### (ii) Reasons for decision

The Local Authority has a statutory duty to ensure that there are sufficient school places in Surrey. Demand for school places has increased significantly in Runnymede in recent years and the Local Authority has commissioned projects at a number of primary schools to provide more places (Trumps Green Infant School, St Ann's Heath Junior School, Darley Dene Primary School, Thorpe Church of England Primary School, and the Hythe Primary School).

Even with these additional places, most primary schools in Runnymede are expected to be full and will continue to be full in the future. There is a need for more junior places in the area and this is an opportunity to create primary provision through a basic need project – a stated strategic policy of the Local Authority.

# (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**

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None

#### Decision taken by:

- (i) Name: Linda Kemeny
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# Decision:

# FINAL DETERMINATION OF A PROPOSAL TO CLOSE THE SPECIALIST CENTRE FOR SPEECH, LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION AT THE ECHELFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL IN ASHFORD

# (i) Details of decision

That the proposed closure of the Specialist Speech, Language and Communications Needs (SLCN) Centre at Echelford Primary School, Ashford be approved, with effect from 31 January 2014.

#### (ii) Reasons for decision

Pending a final decision on the future of The Echelford Centre, and at the request of the Executive Head Teacher and Governing Body, there have been no admissions to the SLCN Centre since September 2013. Prior to this date there has been a legacy of unfilled places at the Centre. This is partly due to fewer SLCN pupils in Surrey requiring this sort of provision and partly due to operational difficulties. The Echelford School Governing Body has been unable to secure appropriate specialist teaching and leadership of the Centre after standards there were judged as being unsatisfactory by OFSTED. The proposed closure will enable the Executive Headteacher and Governing Body to concentrate on raising standards in the mainstream school which currently also requires special measures and has become an academy within the Lumen Learning Trust. More suitable and effective alternative provision has been identified for the six pupils formerly on roll at the Centre.

# (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**

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None

#### **Decision taken by:**

- (i) Name: Linda Kemeny
- (ii) **Portfolio:** Cabinet Member for Schools and Learning

Date of Decision: 15 January 2014

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