

CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Bisley CofE Primary School - expansion

(i) Details of decision

That the proposal to permanently expand Bisley Church of England Primary School from 1.5 to 2 forms of entry, a total increase of 105 pupils, by September 2015, be approved.

(ii) Reasons for decision

The Local Authority has a statutory duty to provide sufficient school places and as a signatory to the military covenant is committed to addressing the specific needs of service families. For reasons set out in this report, this project is proposed to replace the Brookwood Primary School expansion project but will still ensure that there are sufficient school places for families returning to Pirbright Barracks and for any families generated from the circa 300 additional dwellings currently in construction on the Brookwood Farm Housing site.

(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

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CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Bishop David Brown School, Woking

(i) Details of decision

That the publication of statutory notices indicating the Local Authority's intention to proceed with the proposal to expand the premises of the Bishop David Brown School, be approved.

(ii) Reasons for decision

It is recommended that the Local Authority proceed with the proposed expansion work at Bishop David Brown, even if there is no requirement to increase the Published Admission Number (PAN) of the school immediately, for the following reasons:

- Bishop David Brown was recently graded as 'good with outstanding features' in their recent Ofsted inspection. Additional places will provide more choice for parents in the Borough.
- The scheme is relatively modest in scope (a 2 classroom extension with some internal remodeling) and the additional places would be needed in the longer term (2018/19).
- Creating additional capacity from 2016 will be cheaper than building two or three years later due to rising construction costs and the school will benefit from the enhanced facilities earlier.
- It creates some additional capacity if the above demand profile is an underestimate and covers any risk that the Hoe Valley Free School proposal delays or fails for any reason.
- It makes sense to create the additional capacity ahead of the planned regeneration scheme proposed in the Sheerwater estate to avoid too much disruption to the school in the construction phase of the Leisure Centre.
- The Local Authority are aware that Fulbrook School are considering reducing their PAN in 2016 from 280 to 240 (subject to consultation) which would increase pressure on places in the local area.

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