

CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Change of Age Range at St Nicholas School

(i) Details of decision

The Cabinet Member agreed to:

1. Determine the Statutory Notice stating the Local Authority's intention to change the age range of the school, such that the age range of the school is to be extended to include up to 10 Year 5 and 6 pupils from 1 March 2016.
2. Approve the provision of a two classroom modular building to deliver the accommodation required for the additional pupils at a total cost of £465,000.
3. Approve the arrangements by which a variation of up to 10% of the total value may be agreed by the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Schools, Skills and Educational Achievement and the Leader of the Council.

(ii) Reasons for decision

The change in age range will result in more local maintained specialist provision for pupils with Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs, together with reduced costs for this type of provision as fewer pupils will need to be placed in higher cost Non-Maintained Independent (NMI) provision.

(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, Skills and Educational Achievement

Date of Decision: 02 February 2016

Date of Publication of Record of Decision: 02 February 2016

Date decision effective (i.e. 5 working days after date of publication of record of decision unless subject to call-in by the Education and Skills Board):

16 February 2016