

CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Determination of the proposal to re-designate Sunnydown School

(i) Details of decision

The Cabinet Member for Schools, Skills and Educational Achievement agreed that the Statutory Notice stating the Local Authority's intention to re-designate the School be determined, such that the school will be referred to as a school for pupils with Communication and Interaction Needs from 1 September 2016.

(ii) Reasons for decision

The re-designation forms part of a strategy which aims to increase and develop local provision in a range of different settings for pupils with Autism. The re-designation will allow pupils that have a wider range of needs to attend the school.

(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: 30 June 2016

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Decision:

Amalgamation of Starhurst and St Nicholas Schools

(i) Details of decision

The Cabinet Member for Schools, Skills and Educational Achievement agreed that the Statutory Notice stating the Local Authority's intention to amalgamate the two schools be determined, such that there will be one school for pupils with social, emotional and mental health needs in the south east area of Surrey from 1 September 2016.

(ii) Reasons for decision

This proposal will streamline social, emotional and mental health needs (SEMH) provision in the south east of Surrey. It will allow for the more effective use of the available Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) resources. The aim is to develop outstanding provision with a larger and more sustainable single special school for SEMH in the east quadrant of Surrey.

(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected

None

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

Craig Anderson, Executive Headteacher of Starhurst School and St Nicholas School and Catherine Myers, Chair of Governors, St Nicholas School were in attendance at the meeting.

Mr Anderson informed the Cabinet Member that the amalgamation of Starhurst and St Nicholas School was widely supported by both teachers and parents across the two schools. Starhurst and St Nicholas would be formally amalgamated from September 2016 although will continue to operate across two sites until the completion of the Chartwood School site.

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