

EMC MAR 2018

SCHOOL PLACE PLANNING (BROMSGROVE AREA)
FAIRFIELD FIRST SCHOOL, DODFORD FIRST SCHOOL
HANBURY CE FIRST SCHOOL & ST ANDREWS CE FIRST
SCHOOL (BARNT GREEN)

Relevant Cabinet Member
Mr M J Hart

Relevant Officer
Director of Children, Families and Communities

Local Members
Mr P M McDonald, Mr R P Tomlinson, Ms S A Webb

Recommendation

1. The Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills is recommended to:
 - (a) note the details6J11.
 - (b) approve the recommendation to enlarge the premises at Hanbury CE First School to accommodate an increase in the Published Admission Number (PAN) from 27 to 30 with effect from September 2020;
 - (c) approve the allocation of £201,480, as part of the Children's Service4.01 TDte5(es(e))T-23.3

Background

2. In October 2017 the Leader delegated authority for the publication of statutory proposals for prescribed alterations to maintained schools to:
 - a) The Director of Children, Families and Communities, in consultation with the CMR for Education and skills, for all decisions in respect of initial

received a 'Good' rating in December 2016. St Andrews CE First School, Barnt Green was rated 'Outstanding' in December 2013.

8. In accordance with the DFE's guidance *Making Prescribed Alterations to Maintained School Places – Statutory Guidance for Proposers & Decision-Makers* dated April 2016 local informal pre-publication consultations w

15. Further discussions with the three remaining interested schools took place. Given current demand for places within the bulge year group, both Fairfield and Hanbury schools confirmed that on the condition that they are expanded they would be able to admit up to 30 pupils each in the bulge year group from September 2018.

16. Dodford First School was unable to accommodate extra pupils in the existing year group from September 2018 as current accommodation and staffing ratios made this very difficult. The feasibility suggested that completion of proposed expansion works at Dodford would not likely be completed before November 2019. In the light of these two factors and given current demand of ten places, it is proposed not to proceed with this proposal.

Recommendations

17. On the basis of the information contained in this report, and taking account of the feedback from the consultation in Appendix A, it is recommended to proceed with the expansion of Hanbury CE First School from a PAN of 27 to 30 (Option 1 – classroom extensions only).

18. Expanding this school should not have a detrimental impact on other schools in the area as the Council is forecasting increased local need.

Legal, Financial and HR Implications

19. Funding is available to support this project within the Council's Basic Need allocations.

20. The Cabinet on 4 February 2016 delegated authority to the Director of Children, Families and Communities, in conjunction with the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families, to allocate to specific schemes in the Basic Needs allocations.

Privacy and Public Health Impact Assessments

21. A Privacy Impact Assessment Screening was completed in respect of the expansion proposal. The screening did not identify any potential Privacy considerations requiring further consideration during implementation.

Equality and Diversity Implications

22. An Equality Relevance Screening has been completed in respect of these recommendations. The screening did not identify any potential Equality considerations requiring further consideration during implementation.

Supporting Information

- [Appendix A – Summary of Responses to School Consultations](#)
- [Appendix B – Analysis of Feasibilities Data](#)

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Director of Children, Families and Communities) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

April 2016 – DFE Publication - Making Prescribed Alterations to Maintained School Places – Statutory Guidance for Proposers & Decision-Makers.

Autumn 2017 – Public Consultation Information for Dodford First School, Fairfield First School, Hanbury CE First School, and St Andrews CE First School, Barnt Green.