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Victorian Building, Wainscott Primary School

On 23 May 2013 the Cabinet considered a which provided details of a proposal to dispose by way of lease or sale the Victorian building and playground at Wainscott Primary School, which was no longer required by Wainscott Primary School.

It was noted that, currently, part of the Victorian building, together with its playground was used by a local provider for a day nursery and after school clubs. To enable the day nursery and after school club provision to continue, officers were working with the provider to safeguard and expand their current occupation of the Victorian building and its playground by either lease or sale. This would enable the provider to continue its service to local residents and vacate the temporary building in order to facilitate the primary school's expansion.

The Cabinet declared the Victorian building and site surplus to operational requirements (decision number 32/2013) and delegated authority (decision number 93/2013) to the Assistant Director of Legal and Corporate Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance, to:

- (i) Let or dispose of the property upon the best terms reasonably obtainable relying on the General Disposal Consent (England) Order 2003 (as amended) or otherwise at undervalue if promoting economic, social or environmental well-being of Medway using the well-being powers in the Local Government Act 2000.
- (ii) The Council will need to be mindful of the need for any transaction not breach state aid rules and accordingly once specific transactions are identified, any appropriate clearance may then be sought from Department of Business, Innovation & Skills.

A copy of the report and record of decisions are available via the following link:

<http://democracy.medway.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=115&MId=2899&Ver=4>

Decision: The building was sold at market value to a day nursery/after school club and the playground has been leased to the day nursery/after school club.

Reasons for Decision: This decision enabled the continued use of the premises for nursery and after school club provision. It also removed the management costs of retaining the premises, which are not required for operational needs and generated a capital receipt.

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Details of any other options considered and rejected: Options rejected were to sell or let both the building and playground in their entirety.

Conflicts of Interest: None.