Officer Executive Decisions

Statutory Proposals to Make Prescribed Alterations at Greenvale Infant School

Delegation from Leader and Cabinet and date: On 15 January 2019, the Cabinet considered a report which outlined details of a proposal to change Greenvale Infant School from an infant school to a primary school. This would be formally implemented through the statutory prescribed alteration to extend the upper age range at the school from 7 to 11.

The Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Director of People - Children and Adults Services, in consultation with Portfolio Holders for Children's Services (Lead Member) and Educational Attainment and Improvement, to determine whether to approve the proposals at the end of the statutory consultation period if no objections are received. However, if any objections are received during that time then the Cabinet noted that a report will be prepared and presented to the Cabinet for determination (decision no. 3/2019 refers).

The report may be viewed online: https://democracy.medway.gov.uk/ielssueDetails.aspx?IId=24768&Opt=3

Decision: No objections have been received, therefore in accordance with the Cabinet decision the proposals have been approved.

Reasons for Decision:

The proposals will result in primary education in Chatham being more streamlined and sustainable, improving choice for parents and removing transition for children between the key stages.

Date of Decision: 3 May 2019

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Details of any other options considered and rejected: The option of not making the changes was considered. However, it is Medway's preference where possible to have primary schools in operation rather than separate infant and junior schools. The proposals provide that outcome.

Conflicts of Interest: None