Officer Executive Decisions

Special Educational Needs Capital Programme

Delegation from Leader and Cabinet and date

The Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Director of Children and Adult Services, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children's Services (Lead Member), to approve the programme following the period of consultation and to commence the design and tender process for the programme within the available budget and following the Council's procurement processes (decision no.134/2017 refers).

View the Cabinet Report.

Decision

The decision was to approve the recommended projects to be delivered using the grant funding.

The Director of Children and Adults Services in consultation with the Lead Member for Children's Services were asked to consider a further report which set out the findings of the consultation. Upon approval, the following projects were published on the local offer page and reported to the DFE on the formal template provided.

Year 1 £459,000

- Hearing Impaired Unit at Thomas Aveling £84,000
- Bradfields Academy various items £150,000
- St Werburgh Centre ASD provision £225,000

Reasons for Decision

Approval to proceed on the recommendations and the procedure set out ensured that the Council met the criteria set out by the DfE which will protect the funding allocation.

Date of Decision

8 March 2018

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Details of any other options considered and rejected

- 1. Adaptations at Brompton Academy
- 2. Parkwood Federation nurture provision
- 3. Expansion at the Gillingham Football Club School
- 4. Post 19 provision

The four options above were considered but the three approved projects provided the provision needed to meet demand, within the available funding envelope. With funding limited it was impossible to approve more projects.

Conflicts of Interest

None