

Children and Young People Committee Decision Statement

Meeting: 1 March 2022
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1. Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from Councillor F Thompson, substituted by Councillor A Bradnam.

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Minutes – 18 January 2022 and Action Log

The minutes of the meeting on 18 January 2022 were agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chair. The action log was noted.

3. Petitions and Public Questions

The Committee received four public questions relating to Item 6: Delivery of Early Years Provision to serve Abbey Division, Cambridge. The questions can be viewed on the [meeting webpage](#).

There were no petitions.

4. Tender Framework for Early Years and Childcare Provision

It was resolved to:

- a) Endorse the tender policy as set out in Appendix 2 to this report for immediate adoption and implementation.
- b) Note the existing delegation to officers to enter into agreements to dispose of interests in property at less than best consideration up to an annual rental limit of £20,00.

5. Tendering for Early Years Places in Loves Farm, St Neots

It was resolved to:

Approve the initiation of a tender process and delegate the subsequent decision relating to the award of a tender to the Service Director for Education, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Children and Young People Committee, in order to secure new childcare providers to deliver provision from:

- a) The Round House Primary Academy in Loves Farm, St Neots; and
- b) The Community Centre, Kester Way, Loves Farm, St Neots.

6. Delivery of Early Years Provision to serve Abbey Division, Cambridge

It was resolved to:

- a) Support the proposal that the Strategy and Resources Committee be asked to approve the inclusion of accommodation for delivery of early years and childcare in the design and build specification for the re-development of the East Barnwell Community Hub, and the associated capital funding for this.
- b) Approve the proposal that the Council would not be required to undertake a tender process for the early years and childcare provision on the basis that the Seesaw Pre-School previously operated from the East Barnwell Community Hub and had no option other than to relocate to temporary accommodation on the site of The Galfrid Primary School to facilitate the re-development project.

7. The Award of Design and Construction Contracts for Education Projects Included in the Council's Approved Business Plan Holidays

It was resolved to:

- a) Approve the award of the pre-construction contracts and the design and construction contracts with a value over £500,000 for those schemes set out in Table 1 of the report:

Capital Project	Location by District	Works Description	Funding	Target MS4 Contract Date
Duxford Primary School	South Cambs	Fire reinstatement works	CCC	Apr -22
Cambourne Village College - Phase 3b	South Cambs	1 FE Secondary School expansion	s106	Apr-22
Fenland Social Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) School	Fenland	New SEMH provision	CCC	Apr-22
Waterbeach Barracks First Primary School	South Cambs	New 3FE Primary School + 3 early years	s106	Aug-22
St Phillips Primary School	Cambridge City	Additional places and remodelling	S 106	Aug - 22
Alconbury Weald Secondary School and new Area Special School	Huntingdonshire	New 4 FE secondary and 130 place area special school	s106	Jun-22
Samuel Pepys Special School, St Neots	Huntingdonshire	Expansion to 165 places	CCC	Aug-22
Sir Harry Smith Academy, Whittlesey	Fenland	1 FE Secondary School expansion	CCC	Aug-22

Capital Project	Location by District	Works Description	Funding	Target MS4 Contract Date
Townley Primary School	Fenland	Additional Places and Mobile Replacement	CCC	Oct-22
Sawtry Primary School	Huntingdonshire	New 2FE Primary School + accommodation for early years and childcare	s106	Mar 23

- b) Approve the direct award of the design and construction contract for Phase 2 of the Northstowe education campus to Kier construction and the supporting consultant team.

8. Request for a One Year Exemption to Re-Procure an Expiring School Transport Contract

It was resolved to:

- a) Agree to an exemption waiver for the Swavesey Village College whole school transport contract for a period of one year;
- b) Approve the subsequent procurement exercise to be run as detailed in the report below; and
- c) Delegate authority to the Service Director for Education, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Children and Young People Committee, to award a contract following the compliant procurement exercise

9. Meeting Demand for Children with Special Educational Needs and/ or Disability (SEND)

It was resolved to:

Approve the approach set out in the report for increasing the number of places offering special education provision for children and young people with Education Health Care Plans (EHCPs) who are currently awaiting placement.

10. Cambridgeshire Holiday Voucher Scheme

It was resolved to:

- a) Agree the scope and operation of the Cambridgeshire Holiday Voucher Scheme (CHVS).
- b) Agree to utilise up to £3.6m earmarked for this purpose by Full Council in order to fund the CHVS during 2022/23.

- c) Agree that the Service Director for Education may, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Children and Young People Committee and the Head of Procurement, award a contract for the voucher scheme using the RM6255 for the Household Support Grant.

11. Finance Monitoring Report – January 2022

It was resolved to review and comment on the report.

12. Establishment of a New Primary School at Sawtry

It was resolved to endorse Cambridge Meridian Academies Trust (CMAT) as the Council's preferred sponsor for the new primary school in Sawtry.

13. Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee Annual Report 2020-2021

It was resolved to note the content of the report and raise questions with the lead officer.

14. Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Children Partnership Board Annual Report 2020-21

It was resolved to:

Receive and note the content of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Safeguarding Children Partnership Board Annual Report annual report 2020-21.

15. Committee Agenda Plan and Committee Appointments

It was resolved to:

- a) Note the committee agenda plan.**
- b) Appoint Councillor A Bulat to the Anglia Ruskin University and Learning Through Landscapes' Advisory Group on Nature for Everyone.**

a) Statements in **bold type** indicate additional resolutions or changes to resolutions made at the meeting.

(b) Requests for review of a decision can be made as indicated below:-

- i. At least nine full members of Strategy and Resources Committee to initiate a review of a decision taken by a Policy and Service Committee.
- ii. The request must be submitted in writing to the Monitoring Officer or Chief Executive before the expiry of 3 full working days after the decision has been published and shall specify the reason(s) why the decision should be reviewed

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