

## Options appraisal – relocation of HHELC

The following were agreed as the possible options for consideration, **following which Option 2 has been identified as the preferred and proposed option:**

- 1) Home and Hospital Education and Learning Centre (HHELC) remains at Maid Marian Way.
- 2) HHELC moves to the NGY building, on Castlegate.
- 3) HHELC returns to College Street and takes the whole building.
- 4) Alternative Site location in or near City Centre to build on (Woodfield Industries).
- 5) A suitable location is identified outside of the City Centre.

A brief explanation of each option, together with a qualitative assessment of the key advantages and disadvantages is set out below:

	Option	Advantages	Disadvantages
1.	HHELC remains in the current premises at Maid Marian Way.	<p>Low cost as using current facilities.</p> <p>Sufficient capacity.</p>	<p>Would impact on the ability to redevelop the Maid Marian site as part of the wider Broadmarsh Development Plan and be a major opportunity loss.</p> <p>Given the electricity, water and boiler are located in the main building, the main building would have to remain operational in some manner. There would be a high risk of vandalism on the site.</p> <p>Long term there would need to be work to install new boilers, water mains and electricity.</p>
2.	HHELC moves to NGY, Castlegate	<p>There is sufficient capacity in the building.</p> <p>The building arrangement on 5 floors provides benefits for the service in how they deliver education to the two groups of vulnerable young people.</p> <p>While there is a cost, it is significantly lower than the likely cost of alternatives. High Needs Capital funding is secured to deliver this.</p> <p>The building is owned by NCC and is available.</p> <p>There is a grant clawback on any sale of the building until 2029, which would reduce the sale receipt. Locating HHELC here would provide an acceptable use</p>	<p>Any future expansion would need to be elsewhere as the site would be limited to approximately 120 pupils.</p> <p>There are some condition works to bring the building up to standard and some reconfiguration works required (both included in the cost as proposed in this report).</p> <p>There would be a loss of opportunity to sell the building.</p>

		<p>to the grant funder and avoid the need for grant clawback.</p> <p>City Centre Location – ideal for effective delivery of the service for vulnerable users, accessibility, travel, attendance, cultural opportunities.</p> <p>Disabled access via lift to all floors.</p>	
3.	HHELC returns to College Street	<p>The building is owned by NCC and currently available.</p> <p>The building has an educational covenant on it.</p> <p>City Centre location.</p>	<p>Significant work would need to be done to make the building accessible, there is no lift.</p> <p>The service is clear that this building does not meet its needs.</p> <p>There would be a loss of opportunity to sell the building.</p>
4.	HHELC takes an alternative site in the City Centre with build.	<p>City Centre location.</p> <p>Could be a purpose built facility.</p>	<p>Limited sites available.</p> <p>Any new build would be significantly more costly circa £5 million for the necessary area.</p> <p>Any new build would not meet the programme as it is likely that HHELC will need to move out of Maid Marian Way by Dec 24 to allow redevelopment.</p>
5.	HHELC moves to a suitable site outside the city centre.	<p>Could be a purpose built facility.</p>	<p>Limited sites available.</p> <p>Any new build would be significantly more costly circa £5 million for the necessary area.</p> <p>Any new build would not meet the programme as it is likely that HHELC will need to move out of Maid Marian Way by Dec 24 to allow redevelopment.</p> <p>Being outside the City Centre would impact on the travel options of the pupils and in general increase the journey times and impact on both the travel budget and attendance.</p>