

Nottingham City Council Delegated Decision



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Subject:	Approval to publish formal Statutory Notice - proposed expansion of Glade Hill Primary School from 210 to 420 places
Total Value:	Nil (Type: Nil)
Decision Being Taken:	Approval is sought to publish the formal Statutory Notice for the proposal to expand Glade Hill Primary School, in accordance with the 'Prescribed Alteration' Regulations of the statutory guidance for maintained schools. This will trigger a four week representation period (formal consultation), running from 17th May - 14th June.
Reasons for the Decision(s)	<p>A pre-publication consultation period has already been undertaken, which ran for a four week period from 13th March - 21st April. This was approved in an earlier Delegated Decision Ref:2761, dated 28th Feb 2017 (see attached). The outcome of the initial consultation was that the number of respondents in support of the proposal to expand the school exceeded the number of objections: 58 people responded to the consultation, by either completing the online questionnaire or returning a copy of the paper consultation form. 66% (38 respondents) in support. 29% (17 respondents) objections. 5% (3 respondents) are of no opinion. We also wrote to 94 local residents to consult on the proposal, 4 of whom formally responded. 3 were in support of the proposal and 1 opposed.</p> <p>During the four week consultation process, we wrote to all stakeholders who may have an interest in the proposal: staff, governors, parents/carers, local residents, local Councillors, Trade Unions, all City Primary Head Teachers and the local secondary schools. We invited all parents/carers to attend one of two consultation meetings. We also conducted a consultation meeting for staff and governors, a drop in consultation session for local residents and two separate 'school gates' consultation exercises, at the beginning and end of the school day.</p> <p>Following the four week representation period, a full consultation report will be produced and submitted to Executive Board in July 17, for a final decision to be made as to whether the proposal will go ahead and whether the capital funding is to be allocated accordingly. This report will contain a full analysis of the outcomes of the consultation, including a summary of responses, key themes and possible mitigations will be identified.</p>

Other Options Considered: The only other option would be: 1) not to proceed to the publication of a formal Statutory Notice and therefore not to proceed with the proposal to expand the school. This is not recommended as the rationale for the proposal still stands, as described in the attached DDM. During the consultation, no alternative options were proposed to meet the need for school places in the area.

Background Papers:

Published Works: Delegated Decision, Ref: 2761.

Affected Wards: Bestwood

Colleague / Councillor Interests:

Consultations:
Date: 28/02/2017
Ward Councillors: Brian Grocock
Proposal briefing undertaken by Cllr Webster and Jonny Kirk, with Cllr Grocock.

Those not consulted are not directly affected by the decision.

Crime and Disorder Implications: N/A

Equality: EIA not required. Reasons: Already provided with Delegated Decision 2761 within the past 2 years.

Decision Type: Portfolio Holder

Subject to Call In: Yes

Call In Expiry date: 17/05/2017

Advice Sought: Legal, Finance

Legal Advice:
Please see the attached. Advice provided by Jonathan Ludford-Thomas (Senior Solicitor) on 27/04/2017.
Advice documents: 2017-04-27 legal obs.pdf

Finance Advice:

Please see the attached. Advice provided by Julia Elizabeth Holmes (Finance Analyst) on 02/05/2017.
Advice documents: Glade Hill Primary Statutory Notice - Finance Comment 020517.docx

Signatures

Sam Webster (PH for Business, Education and Skills)
SIGNED and Dated: 09/05/2017
Alison Michalska (Corporate Director for Children and Adults)
SIGNED and Dated: 05/05/2017