

Minutes of Portfolio Holder (Children, Young People and Families) Decision Making Session held on 25th March 2010

Present:

Councillor Mrs Izzi Seccombe Portfolio Holder (Chair)

Others present

Officers

Phil Astle (Children Young People and Families Directorate)
John Harmon Children Young People and Families Directorate)
Chris Norton (Strategic Finance Manager)
Jane Pollard (Democratic Services Manager)

Newburgh Primary School

Donna Savage - Chair of Governors
John Holland -Governor
Liz Tomkins -Governor
Alex Atkinson - Governor
Jonathan Hearn-Governor
Edward May -Headteacher

1. General

Members Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

None

2. Minutes of the Meeting 5th February 2010

These were agreed as a correct record

3. Primary School Places in Warwick

Phil Astle outlined the proposals and the response to the consultation set out in the report of the Strategic Director of Children, Young People and Families. John Holland on behalf of the Governing Body and Headteacher of Newburgh Primary School said that they were fully in support of the proposals and were keen and enthusiastic to take on the new responsibilities.

Councillor Mrs Seccombe having read the report and considered the representations made was of the view that these proposals were appropriate. She understood the reservations that had been expressed by Westgate Primary School but she was satisfied that the proposals were the right way forward to deal with the pressure on primary school places in Warwick and would enhance the educational opportunities available for children.

Resolved

- i) The proposals to increase the capacity of Newburgh Primary School from 30 to 45 places per year with effect from 1 September 2011 are approved;
- ii) The proposal including the introduction of the new admission limit to Key Stage 1 only in the first instance and moving progressively through Key Stage 2 from 2012 onwards is approved
- iii) Approves the publication of the required statutory notices.

4. Expansion of Bridgetown Primary School in Stratford-on-Avon.

Councillor Mrs Seccombe considered the report of the Strategic Director of Children Young People and Families. In the light of the response of the Governing Body of Bridgetown Primary School Councillor Mrs Seccombe decided to defer a decision on this matter to either the 22nd April Cabinet (if appropriate) or her next decision-making session on 30th April 2010. This would enable further discussions to take place with the governors to see if agreement could be reached on the design.

5. Increase in the Admission Number of The Dasset C of E (Controlled) Primary School in Stratford-on-Avon.

Councillor Mrs Seccombe considered the report of the Strategic Director of Children Young People and Families. It was clear from the report that the additional numbers were needed, the school was doing well and this would help the school fund their curriculum more effectively.

Resolved

The proposal to increase the admission number of The Dasset C of E (Controlled) Primary School from 25 to 30 places per year with effect from 1 September 2011 is approved

6. Any Other Items

None.

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The meeting rose at 12.14 pm