## Agenda No

#### AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee	Rugby Area Committee		
Date of Committee	11 <sup>th</sup> January 2006		
Report Title	Rokeby Primary Schools		
Summary	This report seeks agreement to a special meeting of the Area Committee concerning the proposal to amalgamate Rokeby Infant School and Rokeby Junio School.		
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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? [please identify relevant plan/budget provision]	No		
Background papers	<ul> <li>Draft School Organisatio</li> <li>Cabinet report 8<sup>th</sup> Octob</li> </ul>	on Framework 2005/10 er 2005	
CONSULTATION ALREADY	UNDERTAKEN:- De	tails to be specified	
Other Committees	<b></b>		
Local Member(s)	☑ Cllr John Vereker and Cllr Ian Smith – Caldecott		
Other Elected Members			
Cabinet Member			
Other Cabinet Members consulted	X Cllr Izzi Seccombe Cllr Peter Fowler		
Chief Executive	<b></b>		
Legal	X Jane Pollard / Richard Freeth		



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Finance	Ш	
Other Chief Officers		
District Councils		
Health Authority		
Police		
Other Bodies/Individuals	X	Governing bodies, staff and parents/carers of pupils at the two schools Other local schools in the area, Diocesan Authorities, neighbouring Education Authorities and all other stakeholders
FINAL DECISION	NO	
SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:		Details to be specified
Further consideration by this Committee		
To Council		
To Cabinet	X	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2006 – subject to the Area Committee's decision to hold a special meeting
To an O & S Committee		
To an Area Committee	X	Late January or early February – subject to the
		Area Committee's decision to hold a special meeting



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# Rugby Area Committee – 11<sup>th</sup> January 2006

#### **Rokeby Primary Schools**

### Report of the Strategic Director for Children, Young People and Families

#### Recommendation:

That the Area Committee agree to set a date for a special meeting to discuss the proposal to amalgamate Rokeby Infant School and Rokeby Junior School and to make any recommendations it sees appropriate to Cabinet.

- 1. On 8<sup>th</sup> October 2005, Cabinet asked the County Education Officer to conduct formal consultations with stakeholders on a proposal to amalgamate Rokeby Infant School and Rokeby Junior School.
- 2. A consultation paper was published on 31<sup>st</sup> October and comments were requested by 12<sup>th</sup> December. The consultation paper was sent to other local schools, Diocesan Authorities, neighbouring Education Authorities, the local Community Association, and parents, staff and governors of the two schools. During the period of the consultation a series of scheduled meetings took place with the governing bodies and staff of the two schools and a joint meeting of the parents of both schools. In addition to these communications with statutory consultees, a public meeting was convened by local members of the County Council to open the process to a wider set of interested parties and to give consultees a further opportunity to discuss the issues arising.
- 3. It has become clear, during the consultation, that the location of any amalgamated school is the major though not only issue. While it was intended that the outcome of the consultation would be reported to this meeting of the Area Committee, it is considered that further work needs to undertaken in order to take account of the views expressed in the consultation and the comments of elected Members.
- 4. This report seeks agreement to setting a date for a special meeting of the Area Committee to discuss the proposal and the feedback from the consultation and consider a recommendation to Cabinet. If the meeting could be held in late January or early February consideration by Cabinet could take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

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22<sup>nd</sup> December 2005

