

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 16 October 2012

**Decision No:** (CAB 12/13 9091)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES
SUBJECT:	OAKLANDS SCHOOL CHANGE OF USE CONSENT
AUTHOR:	Karl Limbert

### THE DECISION

- (i) To delegate authority to the Director of Children's Services and Learning to apply to the Department for Education for consent to dispose of the Oaklands site as no longer required for Educational purposes. Such an application would apply to all areas within the red line boundary, as marked on Appendix 1.
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Children's Services and Learning to notify the Department for Education of the disposal of the hard play and outdoor social areas at the Oaklands site, under a General Consent granted to the Council in accordance with Section 77 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998. Such an application would apply to the following areas marked on Appendix 2:
  - Play Ground 1 – 2,281m<sup>2</sup>
  - Play Ground 2 – 2,870m<sup>2</sup>
  - Social Area – 2,647m<sup>2</sup>
- (iii) Subject to obtaining consent from the Department for Education, to approve the transfer of 33,680m<sup>2</sup> of land at the Oaklands site from the Children's Services portfolio to the Resources portfolio, the land to be transferred is shown in Appendix 3.

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. Once the school has become surplus and before the school can be considered for alternative uses, consent is required from the DfE to remove the school from Education use.
2. As the future development of the Oaklands site is to be a corporate decision and is unlikely to involve an educational use, it makes sense to transfer this land out of the Children's Services portfolio and into the central Resources portfolio.

**DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

Retaining the school for education use has been considered, although there is no identified need in this respect, largely due to the fact that a new building has been developed for the Oasis Academy: Lord's Hill, in close proximity to the Oaklands site.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None.

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 16 October 2012

Decision Maker:  
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:  
Judy Cordell

**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on

Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*

Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*

Results of Call-in ( <i>if applicable</i> )