

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE LEADER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 23rd April 2021 by the Leader of the Council.

Date notified to all members: 23rd April 2021

Please note that this decision is not subject to call-in, in accordance with the Fast Track process set out in Scrutiny Procedure Rule 17 of the Constitution.

1. TITLE

Approval for Temporary Expansion at Dore Primary School

2. DECISION TAKEN

That the Leader:

1. Approve the inclusion of a budget of up to £300k in the capital programme to allow delivery of temporary mobile classroom on the Dore Primary school site to create capacity for an additional class (30 pupils). This would be in place for the next 7 years to take the cohort through primary years, reception to year 6;
2. Approve the procurement of the ground surveys by via 3 competitive quotations and the principal contractor via the Yorbuild framework; and
3. Delegate authority to the Director of Finance and Commercial Services or nominated Officer, as appropriate, to award the necessary contracts.

3. Reasons For Decision

Erect a single mobile classroom on the Junior playground. School leads have negotiated the addition of an external canopy to the existing single mobile (nurture unit) to allow for free-flow play and a replacement fire door to allow for increased number of people to use the junior hall.

By successfully working to tight deadlines and expediting approval processes, this option could be implemented by September 2021. Dore Primary School governors have agreed to proceed with this option.

This proposal will provide the pupil places required to meet the catchment demand for September 2021.

4. Alternatives Considered And Rejected

School to temporarily increase PAN and absorb demand. Officers considered if Dore Primary was able to accommodate an additional single year group without capital intervention. Since September 2020, Dore Primary have created a 26 place Pre-school, using a 'spare' classroom to deliver a nurture unit. This space would have only been suitable for the infant phase. When the bulge year moves into juniors, the classroom would be isolated from the rest of the junior phase given its location on the infant site. Therefore, the school is not in a position to accommodate a bulge year without physical expansion.

Refurbishment of a caretakers building

This option was proposed by the school in initial planning phase and reviewed by council officers, who confirmed the caretakers house is unsuitable for a classroom due to insufficient size, over two storeys, located at the end of the drive, with access to playground via carpark.

5. **Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted**

None

6. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Executive Director, People Services

7. **Relevant Scrutiny Committee If Decision Called In**

Children, Young People and Family Support Scrutiny Committee