

**CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL**

**DELEGATED DECISION BY THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES  
ON SCHOOL AGE RANGE PROPOSALS**

**DECISIONS DIGEST**

**DATE ISSUED/PUBLISHED**  
19 December 2012

**THE CALL-IN DEADLINE FOR ANY ITEMS CONTAINED IN THIS DECISIONS DIGEST IS 5.00 P.M. ON 28 DECEMBER 2012 SUBJECT TO ANY CALL-IN REQUESTS BEING RECEIVED, ALL THE DECISIONS WILL BE ACTIONED ON OR AFTER 31 DECEMBER 2012. (EXCEPT FOR THOSE ITEMS SHOWN IN ITALICS WHICH WILL BE REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE FOR DETERMINATION).**

**Present:** Cllr M A G Versallion

**Officers in  
Attendance:**

**Keith Armstead, Senior Education Officer (Planning)  
Pete Dudley, Assistant Director Children's Services  
(Learning & Strategic Commissioning)  
Andrew Emerton, Managing Solicitor Planning, Property,  
Highways and Transportation  
Sandra Hobbs, Committee Services Officer  
Rob Parsons, Head of School Organisation and Capital  
Planning**

**Members in  
Attendance:** Cllr Mrs S Goodchild

Item	Decision	Reason for Decision / Alternatives Considered	Alternative Options Considered and Refused
<b>DETERMINATION OF STATUTORY PROPOSALS TO EXTEND THE AGE RANGES OF HOUGHTON REGIS LOWER SCHOOL, AND ST MARY'S CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY AIDED LOWER SCHOOL IN DUNSTABLE</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) That the procedures established by The Education and Inspections Act 2006 (EIA 2006) and The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2007 (as amended by The School Organisation and Governance (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2007 and The School Organisation and Governance (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2009 be noted and have been complied with in bringing forward the proposals outlined in the report.</li> <li>2) That the representations received in respect of the St Mary's VA Lower School proposal attached at Appendix C, to the statutory notice as set out in Appendix B, issued on the 22 October 2012 under Section 19(3) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 for St Mary's Catholic VA Lower School, be noted.</li> <li>3) That no representations were received in respect of the proposal for Houghton Regis Lower School, be noted.</li> <li>4) That the statutory proposals to extend the age ranges of the following two schools to become 3-11 Primary schools, with effect from September 2013 be approved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Houghton Regis Lower School to provide 315 places in the main school for pupils aged 5-11, with a published admission number of 45, plus provision for 52 part time nursery places; and</li> <li>• St Mary's Catholic VA Lower School to provide 210 places in the main school for pupils aged 5-11, with a published admission number of 30, plus provision for 52 part time nursery places.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	Reason for decision: To determine the outcome of the statutory proposals following the close of the representation period on the 3 December 2012. If the Council were to fail to decide these proposals within 2 months of the end of the representation period it must forward proposals, and any received representations, to the schools adjudicator for decision.	None

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