

## COUNCIL MEETING – 18 APRIL 2013

### Recommendation to Council from the Executive meeting held on 18 March 2013

#### E/12/151 **Commissioning New School Places for Implementation from September 2014**

The Executive considered a report from the Executive Member for Children's Services that outlined five projects within the New School Places Programme 2013/14 – 2017/18 where local pressures of demographic growth required new school places to be provided from September 2014.

Reason for decision: To ensure the Council continues to meet its statutory obligations to provide sufficient school places and also to meet the legal requirements placed on the Council by the Education and Inspections Act 2006 regarding proposals to expand maintained schools. Commitment to expenditure and final approval of each of these proposals would be determined by the Executive in August 2013, informed by the outcome of the consultation exercises, Education Funding Agency approvals where relevant, and business cases which were to be prepared by each School or Academy.

#### **RECOMMENDED to Council**

- 1. that the externally funded rolling Capital Programme for New School Places to 2014/15, as set out in Appendix A to the Executive report, be approved, noting the required amendments to the Council's approved Capital Programme which will be required beyond 2014/15.***

#### **RESOLVED**

- 1. that the commencement of informal consultation and the publication of statutory notices for the proposal to expand Church End Lower School, Marston from its current capacity of 270 places to provide a total of 450 places across two sites with an implementation date of September 2014 be approved. The School will also be invited to prepare a business case for approval by the Council's Executive in its final determination in August 2013;**
- 2. to invite the Academy of Redborne Upper School to prepare a business case for approval by the Council's Executive in August 2013 and to undertake consultation and approval processes required as an Academy by the Education Funding Agency to expand from its current capacity of 1450 places to provide 1650 places with an implementation date of September 2014;**

- 3. to invite the Academy of Stratton Upper School to prepare a business case for approval by the Council's Executive in August 2013 and to undertake consultation and approval processes required as an Academy by the Education Funding Agency to expand from its current capacity of 1250 places to provide 1650 places with an implementation date of September 2014;**
- 4. to invite the Academy of Alameda Middle School to prepare a business case for approval by the Council's Executive in August 2013 for commencement of the proposed expenditure as outlined in the New School Places Programme, attached at Appendix A to the Executive report, to expand from its current capacity of 600 places to provide 720 places with an implementation date of September 2014; and**
- 5. to invite the Academy of Vandyke Upper School to prepare a business case for approval by the Council's Executive in August 2013 for commencement of the proposed expenditure as outlined in the New School Places Programme attached at Appendix A to the Executive report.**