LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People, Councillor Ernest Noad has made the following executive decision:

BASIC NEED PROGRAMME UPDATE REPORT 3

Reference Report:
CYP PDS 200312 Basic Need Programme Update Report 3

Decision:

That the list of schemes to be included within the Basic Need Capital Programme 2012-13 be approved.

That expenditure on the projects in delivery including feasibility studies at Churchfields Primary School, Chislehurst (St Nicholas) CE Aided Primary School and for the Secondary ASD SEN Invest-to-Save scheme be approved.

That the initial allocation to projects in development which will be subject to future reports to Members be noted.

That, where appropriate, the Director CYP be authorised to submit planning applications at the appropriate time in respect of the list of schemes.

Reasons:

The Basic Need Programme is funded by the Basic Need Capital Grant that is provided by Central Government and can be spent on any publicly funded school to support the provision of sufficient school places.

On 27th February 2012, the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People agreed an initial list of priority schemes for addressing the estimated increase in the number of reception age pupils from September 2012. To meet this demand, 'bulge years' are planned at existing local schools to provide the required pupil places, which will be delivered through a combination of modular build and internal refurbishment.

In order to address increasing demand for pupils with SEN, work was also being undertaken to develop a new 2 form entry ASD specific secondary provision, including sixth form and respite in the Borough.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Children and Young People PDS Committee on 20th March 2012 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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