

PART 1 - PUBLIC

Decision Maker: Council

Date: 25th October 2010

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2010/11 AMENDMENT - BULLERS WOOD SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Ward: N/A

1. Reason for report

The Executive at its meeting on 29th September 2010 received a report on Capital Investment in Secondary Schools (Update 7) which had previously been discussed by the CYP PDS Committee on 7th September 2010. In view of the reduction in available capital funding for secondary schools the Committee had supported proceeding with the scheme for Bullers Wood Secondary School at a cost of £1.7m and this had subsequently been agreed by the CYP Portfolio Holder.

The proposals had been referred to the Executive to approve the capital costs involved and make the appropriate recommendation to Council to include this in the capital programme.

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Council includes the scheme at Bullers Wood Secondary School (£1.7m) as a separate scheme in the Capital Programme.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing policy. Children and Young People's Plan 2009-2011
 2. BBB Priority: Children and Young People.
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Estimated cost £1.7m
 2. Ongoing costs: Non-recurring cost. Future capital projects will depend on Government funding
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Capital Programme
 4. Total current budget for this head: £11.42m
 5. Source of funding: DSG/Capital Grant/Section106 agreement funding
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): N/A
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory requirement. Education Act 1996
 2. Call-in: Call-in is not applicable.
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): All children and young people in Bromley Secondary Schools
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? No.
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

3. COMMENTARY

The Executive at its meeting on 29th September 2010 considered a report on the strategy for capital investment in Secondary Schools which had previously been discussed by the CYP PDS Committee on 7th September 2010. The report set out details of the current state of the 5 year secondary school investment programme (2008/9-2012/13) and contained recommendations for the last 2 remaining projects in respect of Bullers Wood Secondary School and Langley Park School for Girls.

- 3.1 In view of the reduction in funding now available to invest in secondary schools and as the Bullers Wood Secondary School project was well in advance (full details are set out in the report of the Director of Children and Young People circulated with both the above agendas), the CYP PDS Committee supported the recommendation to proceed with that scheme. This was also subsequently agreed by the CYP Portfolio Holder who referred it to the Executive for approval to release the funding of £1.7m.
- 3.2 The Executive discussed the report and the reasons for the reduced investment available and in reviewing the situation agreed that the Bullers Wood Scheme should go ahead as proposed and Council be recommended to include it as a separate scheme in the capital programme.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Council's Capital Programme includes £14.14m for the Secondary School Investment Strategy including the £1.7m for the scheme at Bullers Wood School. This is based on the original estimate of £13.42m plus an assumption that the annual contribution from the Dedicated School Grant (£0.72m) will continue in to 2013/14.
- 4.2 However, the report to the Children and Young People Portfolio Holder in September explained that there had been a reduction in capital grant funding relating to secondary capital investment and the future level of DSG is uncertain at this stage. The report contained revised figures totalling £11.42m including the £1.7m for the scheme at Bullers Wood.
- 4.3 The Capital Programme will be updated for these changes in a report to the Executive on the 3rd November 2010.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy, legal and Personnel
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	CYP PDS Committee Minutes 7 th September 2010 and Executive Minutes for 29 th September 2010.