

## Executive Scrutiny Committee

27 May 2010

### Minutes



	<p><b>Members Present:</b> Councillors Edward Lavery (Chairman), Brian Crowe, Mo Khursheed, Anita MacDonald and Brian Stead.</p> <p><b>Representative Member for Education Issues:</b> Tony Little.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Councillor John Riley.</p> <p><b>Officer Present:</b> Khalid Ahmed (Democratic Services Manager).</p>		
3.	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>Councillor Anita MacDonald declared a Personal Interest in Cabinet Agenda Item 8 - Requirements for Additional Primary School Places as she was a Governor of Heathrow Primary School. She remained in the room and took part in discussions on the item.</p> <p>Tony Little declared a Personal Interest in Cabinet Agenda Item 8 – Requirements for Additional Primary School Places as he was a Governor of Pinkwell Primary School. He remained in the room and took part in discussions on the item.</p>		
4.	<p><b>Minutes of the meetings held on 15 April and 13 May 2010</b></p> <p>Agreed as accurate records.</p>		
5.	<p><b>Exclusion of the press and public</b></p> <p>It was agreed that all items of business were considered in public.</p>		
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Places.

The large increases in the capacity of schools suggests that there will be considerable stress on the management structures of these schools. What measures are in place to support these Schools in this process?

*[Subsequent to the meeting, officers provided the following response:*

*“It is recognised that implementing an expansion and managing a larger school will present challenges. The aim will be to ensure that the design of new and/or remodelled accommodation will provide improved learning and environments and other facilities (e.g. increased kitchen capacity) to support expansion. Building work will be managed to keep disruption to the school to a minimum. Schools that expand will receive an in-year budget adjustment (“expanding schools” funding). Support would also be available through the School Improvement Service or other appropriate ECS service.”]*

What is the priority order for this programme of expansion of school primary school places?

*[Subsequent to the meeting, officers provided the following response:*

*“It is expected that work on site will be programmed so that additional accommodation for the Early Years will be completed first. However, the position will vary from site to site, depending upon the accommodation that schools have already and upon site constraints The timing of building work would be discussed with each school.”*

Agenda Item 9 - Review of the Local List of Buildings of Architectural or Historical Importance

Members asked that the Wards of the buildings on the list be re-checked as the first four buildings contained in the Hayes list on page 99 of the agenda are in Botwell and not Townfield.

*[Subsequent to the meeting, officers provided the following response:*

*“Members comments have been noted and the list has been updated accordingly.”]*

Agenda Item 12 - Contract for the supply of a double base class unit at each of the following schools: Brookside, Rabbsfarm and William Byrd Primary Schools

