

**REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL****LATEST ESTIMATED COST: SCHOOLS PLACES PROGRAMME 2017****Purpose of the Report**

The purpose of this report is: -

1. To note the programme and seek approval to the latest estimated cost.
2. To seek approval for a variation to the capital programme.

**Information and Advice****Project details**

3. There is a statutory duty placed on the County Council to provide sufficient pupil places at schools where parents wish their children to attend. This is known as Basic Need.
4. The Pupil Place Planning team within Children, Families and Cultural Services (CFCS) complete this annual review through a locality analysis of admission, birth and parental preference data to project and evaluate which schools would best fulfil the requirements for any increase in published admission numbers to accommodate a forecasted increase in pupil numbers.
5. As a result of this annual review a number of schools have been identified that meet the requirements set by the Department for Education (DfE) and would therefore be best suited to fulfil the schools' places increase through a mixture of space remodelling, classroom extensions and/or new classroom provision.
6. Feasibility studies have been carried out at the schools identified by CFCS, to assess viability and the most cost effective provision, whilst ensuring that the proposals are compliant with current legislation, the latest Central Government guidance and good practice. The output is a specific construction proposal for each school.
7. These proposals if converted into actual projects would be delivered within the academic year 2017/18. The actual delivery is being programmed in association with CFCS and the schools to ensure the schools remain operational.
8. The projects included within the programme are as follows: -

**Bassetlaw**

Clarborough Primary, Clarborough. DN22 9JZ  
North Wheatley C of E Primary, South Wheatley. DN22 9DH

**Broxtowe**

Brinsley Primary, Brinsley. NG16 5AZ

**Newark and Sherwood**

Coddington C of E Primary & Nursery School, Coddington. NG24 2QA

Lake View Primary & Nursery School, Rainworth. NG21 0DU

Python Hill Primary, Rainworth. NG21 0JZ

**Rushcliffe**

Brookside Primary, East Leake. LE12 6LG

9. A further project within the programme to construct the second phase of the replacement school building at Beardall Fields will be submitted to this committee, at a later date, as a separate report since it occupies a separate line in the County Council budget book.
10. The programme of works comprising the individual construction projects will be delivered by Arc Partnership and with the Client representation provided by Departmental Services team within Property. Delivery will utilise best practice project management methodology, including project reviews with key stakeholders and sign-off at key milestones in accordance with the Gateway Review standards. The overall delivery will be monitored and managed by the Client Capital Asset Group – Education & Early Years which will ratify all decisions on Scope, Cost and Timescale.
11. The construction elements for the proposed schemes will be built using a number of delivery platforms and will be, wherever possible, based on a modular solution whereby the classroom block is prepared within a factory and then erected on site. This is to reduce both cost and the on-site element of the works in an effort to minimise disruption to the individual school and follows on from the successful use of this method of procurement and construction of the Basic Need programmes since 2013.
12. The projects are subject to the statutory planning process for which the County Council will be the determining authority. Projects requiring expansion by 25% or more pupil places will also require approval to the expansion from Children and Young People's committee.
13. The latest estimated cost of the building works are set out below and the fees shown are for all professions involved in the project.
14. The professions involved in this project are: -
  - Architect
  - Mechanical Engineer
  - Electrical Engineer
  - Quantity Surveyor
  - Structural Engineer

- CDM Co-ordinator
- Project Manager

## Capital budget implications

15. This project is being funded as follows: £

Capital allocation -	£3,594,412
Planned Maintenance -	£90,132
Section 106 -	£1,871,523
(£547,000 for Coddington and £1,324,523 for Brookside)	
<b>Total -</b>	<b>£5,556,067</b>

16. The business case has been submitted to the Corporate Asset Management Group and has been approved for submission. Section 106 contributions have been secured to part fund this programme as follows:

- £1,324,523 – Brookside Primary
- £547,000 – Coddington Primary

It is proposed that the capital programme is varied to reflect this additional external funding. The remaining funding for this programme is already approved within the Council's capital programme.

17. The latest estimated costs are as follows:  
Please note that Professional fees include all feasibility costs including site surveys and associated statutory fees, as well as Arc Partnership fees.

	<u>Latest Estimated Cost</u> <u>(Outturn Prices)</u>
	£
Building Works	3,908,416
Professional fees	542,136
Furniture and Equipment	96,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,546,552</b>

Individual project detail: £

### **Bassetlaw**

Clarlborough Primary	892,763
North Wheatley C of E Primary	757,308

### **Broxtowe**

Brinsley Primary	343,426
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### **Newark and Sherwood**

Coddington C of E Primary & Nursery School	675,109
Lake View Primary & Nursery School	710,208
Python Hill Primary	129,573

**Rushcliffe**  
Brookside Primary

1,038,165

**Total**

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**£4,546,552**

**Anticipated cash flow**

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Total
	£	£	£	£
Building Works	0	3,052,916	855,500	3,908,416
Professional Fees	41,520	491,044	9,572	542,136
Furniture & Equipment	0	56,000	40,000	96,000
Totals	41,520	3,599,960	905,072	4,546,552

**Revenue budget implications**

18. Any additional premises and human resources costs arising from these proposals will be met from the individual school's budget.

**Other Options Considered**

19. Whilst surrounding schools were considered, the projects listed represent the optimum solutions to the need for school places in each particular area.
20. Committee should note that a review of the School's Places requirement for 2018 and onwards is currently underway under the auspices of the Children & Young People's Committee. Once this has been approved it will be brought to this Committee to secure funding approval. This is expected in the early part of 2018.

**Reason/s for Recommendation/s**

21. Local authorities have a statutory duty to ensure sufficient school places are available for every child in the local area that needs one.

**Statutory and Policy Implications**

22. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and

where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **Implications for Service Users**

23. The upgraded buildings and facilities will provide the extra requirements for the pupil numbers to be increased.

### **Financial Implications**

24. These are set out in the report.

### **Equalities Implications**

25. In accordance with County Council policy the design of the buildings will incorporate access and facilities for people with disabilities.

### **Crime and Disorder Implications**

26. The proposed sites are within existing school security boundaries and as such are relatively straightforward to secure. As a result, risk of crime from theft or vandalism will be minimised. Additional measures which will be considered to further minimise risk of crime will include the provision of overnight security systems during the construction period.
27. Consultation with local residents and other interested parties will be undertaken as part of the planning process and this should effectively negate risk of disruption through protest or the like.

### **Implications for Sustainability and the Environment**

28. Environmental and Sustainability requirements will be incorporated into the detailed design process for each of the individual buildings.

## **RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1) That the Basic Need programme be noted and the latest estimated cost report for the building works programme as set out in the report be approved.
- 2) To approve the variation to the capital programme.

**Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts MBE**  
**Leader of the Council**

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### **Constitutional Comments (CEH 31.05.17)**

29. The recommendation falls within the remit of Policy Committee under its terms of reference.

### **Financial Comments (GB 07.06.17)**

30. The financial implications are set out within the report.

### **Background Papers**

31. None.

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

32. Ward(s): Misterton, Soar Valley, Tuxford, Blidworth, Soar Valley, Collingham, Beauvale Greasley & Brinsle, Leake & Ruddington
33. Member(s): Councillor Andrew Brown, Councillor John Handley, Councillor Yvonne Woodhead, Councillor Liz Yates, Councillor John Ogle, Councillor Maureen Dobson, Councillor Tracey Taylor, Councillor Reg Adair

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Properties affected: 01201 - Python Hill Primary School, 01016 - Clarborough Primary, 02792 - Brookside Primary School Annexe, 02759 - North Wheatley C of E Primary, 01200 - Lake View Primary and Nursery School, 01512 - Brookside Primary School, 01198 - Python Hill Primary School, 01158 - Coddington C of E Primary and Nursery, 01015 - Clarborough Primary School, 01309 - Brinsley Primary and Nursery