

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****CABINET MEMBER For CHILDREN AND YOUNGER PEOPLE****7 January 2014****Report of the Strategic Director for Children & Younger Adults****ASHOVER PRIMARY SCHOOL – FUTURE USE OF SCHOOL HOUSE**

1. **Purpose of Report** To declare that the school house ceases to be a rented property and becomes part of the Ashover Primary School estate, to be occupied and maintained by the school.
2. **Information and Analysis** The school house is physically attached to Ashover Primary School but has independent access to the front and rear. The school house was occupied until recently by a long-serving tenant and the school has now expressed an interest in taking over the occupancy, maintenance and management of the vacant property.

The school would like to use the school house for small group teaching rooms and for administrative functions. The Strategic Director - CAYA would support this, as a comparison of the spaces in Ashover Primary School with those that would be reasonably expected in a new one-form entry primary school, reveals a shortage of basic teaching and administration areas, especially small group teaching rooms.

3. **Financial Considerations** The school will become responsible for the running and maintenance of the property in the same way that it is for the rest of the school.
4. **Other Considerations** In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered:- prevention of crime & disorder, equality of opportunity; and environmental, health, legal, human resources, property and transport considerations.
5. **Key Decision** No
6. **Background Papers** A file is held in the Children and Younger Adults Development Section.
7. **Strategic Director's Recommendations** That the school house at Ashover Primary School becomes part of the school estate and used by the school for educational and administrative purposes with the school becoming responsible for all running and maintenance costs.

**Ian Thomas**  
**Strategic Director for Children & Younger Adults**