

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****CABINET****10 February 2015****Report of the Acting Strategic Director for Children & Younger Adults  
and the Director of Property****CHILDREN & YOUNGER ADULTS CAPITAL (CAPITAL MAINTENANCE &  
BASIC NEED) 2014 /15 – (CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE)****1. Purpose of Report**

To seek approval for a further three schemes to be included in the Children & Younger Adults (CAYA) Capital Programme 2014/15, for one to be removed and for another scheme already approved to have the budget increased.

**2. Information and Analysis**

At a meeting of Cabinet on 2 June 2014, approval was given to an initial programme of basic need and modernisation capital schemes as a charge on the CAYA Capital Programme for 2014/15 totalling £16,093,505. This programme is 100% grant funded, with the DfE allocations for 2014-15 being £16,837,198, thus leaving a balance of £743,693 for future priorities. Additional Basic Need allocations for 2015-16 of £5,240,482 and for 2016-17 of £5,502,506 have also been agreed by the DfE in order to assist the Authority in developing plans to meet the rising need for school places.

Included in the above programme is a modernisation scheme at Middleton Community Primary School to replace the heating distribution system at a budget cost of £110,000. This scheme was listed in error as the works had been undertaken in a previous capital programme. Hasland Hall School gained Cabinet approval on 18 June 2013 through the "Joint Funding Initiative" for various window, roofing and internal/external refurbishment works in 2 blocks with a budget cost of £298,500 of which £149,250 was the Authority's contribution. The scheme has now been designed in detail and due to a Building Regulation requirement, it will be necessary to remove and upgrade the existing propriety cladding system on both blocks, rather than undertake refurbishment as originally proposed. The cost of the additional work including fees and statutory approvals totals £95,950. It is therefore proposed that the saving from

omitting the Middleton Primary School heating distribution scheme is used to cover the additional cost of the condition work at Hasland Hall School.

The numbers of pupils attending Spire Infant School have increased over the last few years due to housing development, so that the existing accommodation is now under pressure. A S106 contribution of £146,600 has been received from Barratt Homes and it is proposed that this funding is used to construct a new modular foundation facility for the school at a budget cost of £325,000, with the remaining £178,400 being found from the balance of £743,693 in the 2014-15 Capital Grant Allocation..

An allocation of £160,000 was made in the 2014-15 Capital Programme for a single classroom extension modular building at Hadfield Infant School. It was a basic need case that was required for September 2015. Once detailed design started, a number of difficulties emerged, in particular the location of a classroom sized modular building on a severely sloping site. As a consequence, a decision was taken to explore a different option; bringing a classroom that was being used as a nurture suite, back into use. The revised scheme, therefore, is to provide a new modular nurture suite. Given the constraints of the site, the modular structure needs to be located on an existing courtyard but as this is used as a play area for the foundation children, a replacement play area is required. The works required to be carried out in this area involve digging into and reinforcing a bank, the additional cost being £40,000. It is proposed that the additional £40,000 is found from the balance of £743,693 in the 2014-15 Capital Grant Allocation

A single temporary classroom at Findern Primary School has been declared structurally unsound by Corporate Property. Officers in CAYA Development have undertaken a net capacity assessment of the school's other accommodation and analysed projected demand for places to decide if there is a need to replace this classroom. Numbers in the school are increasing and due to additional housing development in the immediate area of the school, there is a need to increase the school capacity by 30 places to meet this demand. It is therefore proposed to replace the existing life expired single temporary classroom with a double modular classroom at a budget cost of £310,000, as a further charge on the 2014-15 Capital Grant unallocated balance of £743,693.

### **3. Financial Considerations**

The Capital Maintenance and Basic Need funding allocated for the 2014-15 CAYA Capital Programme is 100% grant funding from the Government. Cabinet, on 2 June 2014, approved allocations totaling £16,093,505 of the approved grant, thus leaving £743,693 for future priorities.,In addition the 2015-16 and 2016-17 basic need allocations of

£5,240,482 and £5,502,506 have been made available by the DfE to allow the Authority to plan for rising pupil numbers.

Omitting the Middleton Primary School reheating scheme with a budget of £110,000 and reallocating £95,950 to the Hasland Hall School project will increase the unallocated balance of the 2014-15 Capital Grant from £743,693 to £757,743.

Allocating funding from this balance of £757,743 to the following three further schemes:

Spire Infant School	£178,400
Hadfield Infant School	£40,000
Findern Primary School	£310,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£528,400</b>

leaves a remaining balance of £229,343 which will be added to the Joint Matched Funding Initiative Budget giving a total allocation of £729,343 for 2014-15 to support joint matched schemes.

### **3. Other Considerations**

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered:- prevention of crime & disorder, equality of opportunity, environmental, health, legal & human rights, human resources, property, economic regeneration and transport considerations.

### **4. Is it necessary for the call-in period to be waived in respect of the decisions being proposed in the report? No**

### **5. Background Papers**

These are held on file in the CAYA Development Section

### **6. Key Decision Yes**

### **7. Officer Recommendation That Cabinet approves:-**

7.1 The re-allocation of £95,950 from omitting the Middleton Primary School reheat scheme to fund the additional cost of condition works in a previously approved Joint Matched Funded Initiative project at Hasland Hall School.

7.2 The allocation of £146,600 S106 agreement monies together with £178,400 from the balance of £743,693 of the 2014-15 Capital Grant Allocation in order to fund a new modular foundation facility at Spire Infant

School and that this scheme be included in the 2014/15 Capital Programme.

7.3 Additional funding of £40,000 for a modular nurture suite at Hadfield Infant School which was previously approved in the 2014-15 Capital Programme as a charge on the remaining balance of £743,693.

7.4 An allocation of £310,000 from the 2014-15 Capital Grant remaining balance of £743,693 for a double modular classroom at Findern Primary School and that this scheme be included in the 2014/15 Capital Programme.

7.5 That the remaining balance of £229,343 be added to the Joint Matched Funding Initiative, giving a total allocation of £729,343 for 2014-15.

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