

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET

24 March 2015

Report of the Acting Strategic Director for Children & Younger Adults

PRIORITY SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAMME 2 – (CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE)

1. Purpose of Report

To note the outcome of the Authority's submission to the second round of the Priority School building programme.

2. Information and Analysis

On May 1 2014, the Government announced that it would have a second phase of the PSBP which would be aimed at those schools and buildings in the worst condition. In July 2014, the Authority submitted a bid for projects at 11 schools.

The Department for Education has recently announced which projects it intends to support. In Derbyshire only 3 projects of the 11 submitted have been supported.

The following schools have been included in the programme.

Heath Primary School
Wilsthorpe Community School
Granville Sports College

The DfE has not indicated how much will be spent on these projects but has indicated that 'scoping studies on all schools will commence from April onwards to assess the detailed work required'.

The following schools have not been included in the programme

Ashgate Croft School
Alfreton Park Community Special School
Cotmanhay Infant School
Cotmanhay Junior School

Parklands Infant and Nursery School
Harrington Junior School
The William Allitt School
Newhall Community Junior School

It is disappointing that more schools were not successful. A separate paper to this report details the backlog of maintenance in schools for which the Authority is responsible and the capital funding being made available. The Authority will have to consider any urgent needs at these schools when allocating its capital funding (as set out in a separate paper to this meeting). No other national funding is available to meet these needs.

3. Financial Considerations

We await confirmation from the DfE of the scope of these projects and a further Cabinet report will follow.

4. 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 resources, property, economic regeneration and transport considerations.

5. Call In Is it necessary for the call-in period to be waived in respect of the decisions being proposed in the report? No

6. Background Papers These are held on file in the CAYA Development Section.

7. Key Decision No

8. Officer Recommendation

That Cabinet notes the outcome of the Priority School Building Programme 2.

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