

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET

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**Joint Report of the Strategic Director for Children & Younger Adults and
the Director of Property**

Crich Carr CE Primary School – Proposed Purchase of Land – (Education)

1. Purpose of Report

To seek approval to purchase a small area of land, which will be jointly funded, in order to extend the play area at Crich Carr CE Primary School.

2. Information and Analysis

Crich Carr CE Primary School occupies a very restricted severely sloping site with a limited outdoor play area. The opportunity has arisen to purchase an adjoining area of land measuring 432 sq m. This could then be converted by the School to provide an extension to the outdoor play area. A plan showing the area of land is attached as an appendix to this Report; the area in question is hatched and is situated to the left of the school on the plan.

The School would like to use some of its available funds to carry out roofing repairs and improvements to the toilets and that will be the subject of a future bid for joint-funding. Governors will also need to allocate funding to convert the land in question into a suitable additional play area. Hence, the Governors have asked if the Authority would contribute £10,000 towards the purchase cost of the land.

Terms have been provisionally agreed to purchase the above land for the sum of £20,000 with an uplift clause whereby the vendor will be entitled to 50% of any development value over the next 25 years. The Council will be responsible to pay the vendor's reasonable legal costs.

3. Financial Considerations A contribution of £10,000 can be made from savings in the 2011/12 CAYA Capital Programme. The School will make an equal contribution of £10,000 as indicated above.

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

5. **Call-in to be waived?** No

6. **Background Papers** None

7. **Key Decision** No

8. **Officer Recommendation**

8.1 That approval be granted to a contribution of £10,000 towards the cost of purchasing the additional area of land for Crich Carr CE Primary School as shown in the Appendix as a charge on savings in the 2011/12 CAYA Capital Programme.

8.2 That approval be granted to purchase 432sqm of land on the provisionally agreed terms as set out in this report.

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