

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**CABINET**

**5 AUGUST 2014**

**Report of the Strategic Director for Children & Younger Adults**

**Stenson Fields Primary Community School - Section 106 Funding –  
(Children and Young People)**

- 1 **Purpose of Report** To approve the allocation of Section 106 funding to Stenson Fields Primary School, approve an initial project at the school and to give approval for consultation to be carried out in connection with the larger expansion of the school.
- 2 **Information and Analysis**
  - 2.1 A Section 106 agreement has been negotiated in respect of a development on land adjacent to Stenson Road Derby, this land being within the normal area of Stenson Fields Primary Community School. The agreement provides for a total of £1,500,000 towards works required at the school to accommodate increased pupil numbers. Work has now commenced on the housing site and work is progressing rapidly.
  - 2.2 The housing scheme will comprise 487 dwellings that are expected to yield 97 pupils over time. Stenson Fields Community Primary School has a net capacity of 280 and has 301 pupils on roll. The housing development is already producing pupils and adding to the pressure on the school. It is proposed to remodel and refurbish a modular building from the former Tibshelf Secondary school site to provide additional accommodation whilst the longer term expansion plan for the school to a capacity of 420 is being developed. The Tibshelf modular is only about two years old and will provide a good facility for Stenson Fields in the medium term.

- 2.3 Once the full expansion plan has been developed, the Authority will conduct a consultation with the school and the community concerning the proposals.

### **3 Financial Considerations**

- 3.1 The cost of the full expansion project is not yet determined. The cost of the refurbishment of the two modular classrooms from Tibshelf, including site works, remodelling, delivery, fees and a loose furniture allowance of £4,000 is £166,730. The remainder of the £1.5m S106 monies will be used for the larger scale expansion of the school.
- 3.2 The contractor who provided the Tibshelf modular building initially was Ideal Buildings. They were appointed following a competitive tender. Ideal Buildings are a framework supplier to the Authority. It is proposed that Ideal Buildings carry out the works as this will ensure the original guarantees are not invalidated.

### **4 Legal Considerations**

Local Authorities have a duty to ensure sufficiency of school places and there is a statutory process to be followed in the enlargement of school premises. There will be a requirement that consultation on the proposed larger expansion of the school takes place and the results of the consultation will be reported back to Cabinet.

### **5 Other Considerations**

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered – prevention of crime and disorder, equality of opportunity, health, environmental, transport, and property considerations.

### **6 Background Papers   None**

### **7 Key Decision    No**

### **8 Call-in   Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report?   No**

### **9 Strategic Director's Recommendation**

- 9.1 That Section 106 funding of £1.5m in respect of land adjacent to Stenson Road Derby be applied to the expansion of Stenson Fields Primary Community School;

- 9.2** That an initial project of £166,730 be agreed to allow the remodelling and refurbishment of a modular building to meet the immediate need for places;
- 9.3** That consultation on the proposed larger expansion of the school takes place with the results being reported back to Cabinet.

**Ian Thomas**  
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