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WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

RECORD OF MEMBER DELEGATED DECISION

Approval for Public Notice of the Proposal to Change the Age Range of Flyford Flavell First School

Date of Decision	27 February 2020
Decision Maker	Marcus Hart, Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills
Brief Description of Decision	<p>The Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills:</p> <p>(a) approved the publication of a Public Notice of the proposal to alter the age range of Flyford Flavell First School by two year groups from 4-9 to 4-11 as per his delegated authority in relation to prescribed alterations to maintained schools;</p> <p>(b) noted that in accordance with the delegation of authority given by the Leader on 25 April 2018, the Director of Children's Services will decide the proposals in respect of which no objection to the Public Notice or other proposal is received; and</p> <p>(c) agreed that the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills will review all representations received during the Public Notice stage should objections be received in order to decide on the proposal.</p>
Reason(s) for Decision	The Council's revised policy on responding to change of age range requests (approved by Cabinet 30 January 2020) identified several criteria that must to be considered and satisfied prior to a decision being taken to propose such a change. These conditions have been reviewed in relation to this proposal and met as set out in the report.
Alternative Options Considered and Rejected	<p>(a) Do nothing – this option was rejected due to the current financial and organisational pressure on the school</p> <p>(b) Reduce PAN without change of age range – this option was rejected due to concerns around the sustainability of the school</p>

	(c) School closure – this option was rejected due to the importance of the school and desire of Worcestershire County Council to support small schools
Any Conflict of Interest Declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/ any dispensation granted	None.
Signature of Decision Maker	