

## Cabinet Member Decision

### 13 March 2014

# FORMAL PROPOSAL TO CEASE THE LANGUAGE BASE FOR CHILDREN WITH LANGUAGE DISORDERS AT NUNNERY WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

<b>Relevant Cabinet Member</b>	Mrs E A Eyre
<b>Relevant Officer</b>	Director of Children's Services
<b>Local Member</b>	Mrs P Agar
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>1. The Director of Children's Services recommends that the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families approves the closure of the language base at Nunnery Wood Primary School.</b>
<b>Background Information</b>	<p>2. In December 2013 a report was presented to Cabinet to request approval to publish a Public Notice to cease the language base for children with language disorders at Nunnery Wood Primary School.</p> <p>3. The Cabinet report recommended that should no objections to the Public Notice be received the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Children and Families, in consultation with the Director of Children's Services, be authorised to approve the proposal and progress the closure of the language base. The Cabinet approved this recommendation.</p> <p>4. The Public Notice was published in the local newspaper, at Nunnery Wood Primary School and Nunnery Wood Leisure Centre between 16 January and 26 February 2014.</p>
<b>Representations</b>	<p>5. No objections to the Public Notice have been received by the school or the Council. It is therefore recommended that the language base at Nunnery Wood Primary School be closed with effect from 31 March 2014 for the reasons set out in the Cabinet report of 12 December 2013.</p>
<b>Financial considerations</b>	<p>6. Since April 2013 no High Needs funding has been provided to Nunnery Wood Primary School for the Language Resource Base.</p>

## **HR considerations**

## **Equality Impact Assessment**

## **Contact Points**

## **Background Papers**

7. Nunnery Wood Primary School has confirmed that there are no members of staff directly allocated to the Language Class.

8. An Equality Impact Screening was completed as part of the review process. Based on the information supplied prior to the consultation, an Equality Impact Assessment was not required as it was believed by Special Educational Needs officers that ceasing this provision will not displace any existing learners, as their needs are already being met elsewhere.

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In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Director of Children's Services) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:-

Agenda and background papers for the meeting of the Cabinet held on 12 December 2013

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