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CABINET 16 JUNE 2014 (19.15 - 19.25)

PRESENT

Councillors Councillor Stephen Alambritis (in the Chair), Councillor Mark Allison, Councillor Caroline Cooper-Marbiah, Councillor Nick Draper, Councillor Andrew Judge, Councillor Edith Macauley, Councillor Maxi Martin, Councillor Judy Saunders and Councillor Martin Whelton

Ged Curran (Chief Executive), Paul Evans (Assistant Director of Corporate Governance), Caroline Holland (Director of Corporate Services), Chris Lee (Director of Environment and Regeneration), Tom Proctor (Service Manager Contacts and School Organisation), Yvette Stanley (Director of Children, Schools and Families), Simon Williams (Director of Community and Housing), and Chris Pedlow (Senior Democratic Services Officer).

ALSO PRESENT Councillors Michael Bull, James Holmesand Peter Southgate

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)

No apologies were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST (Agenda Item 2)

No pecuniary declarations were made.

- 3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Agenda Item 3)
- 4. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda Item 4)

RESOLVED;

That the public are excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that it is exempt from disclosure by virtue of Part 4B, Paragraph 10.4 and Category 3 of the constitution

5. MERTON ABBEY PRIMARY SCHOOL EXPANSION (Agenda Item 5)

The Cabinet Member for Education presented the report, which sought formal agreement to commence construction for the final phase of expansion works at Merton Abbey Primary School.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet:

- A). To agree to enter into a construction contract with Mansell PLC for the expansion of Merton Abbey Primary School through a new two storey building at the front of the site, to the maximum contract figure as detailed within the report.
- B). To note that this is the final phase of works which will ensure sufficient classrooms for the extended 420 place school and the total project cost is estimated to be within the budget as agreed by Cabinet on 10 March 2014.
- 6. DUNDONALD PRIMARY SCHOOL EXPANSION (Agenda Item 6)

The Cabinet Member for Education presented the report, which sought formal agreement to commence construction for the phase 1 of expansion works at Dundonald Recreation Ground and Primary School.

The Leader asked that his and the Cabinet thanks be recorded for Councillor Whelton for all his hard work on driving through this expansion in light of all the difficulty sounding the expansion.

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That Cabinet:

- A). agrees to enter into a construction contract with FM Conway Limited for phase 1 external works to Dundonald Recreation Ground and Primary School to allow the expansion of Dundonald Primary School, to a contract value as specified within the report,
- B) agrees that the implementation of the above decision be undertaken by the Director of Children, Schools and Families in liaison with the Cabinet member for Education and be subject to (i) Mr Justice King dismissing the Appropriation Judicial Review (ii) the Court of Appeal refusing permission to appeal in the Planning Judicial Review and (iii) a review of benefits and risk at that time.
- C). notes that the main phase works are being procured through the OJEU process, and following Pre-Qualifying, the second stage tender documents are due to be issued shortly. The construction contract cost of phase 1 above and the main phase estimated cost is within the budget in the council's capital programme, as agreed by Cabinet on 10 March 2014.