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DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET

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Report of the Executive Director for Children's Services

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018-19 HEALTH PUPIL
CAPITAL FUND (YOUNG PEOPLE)**

1. Purpose of Report

To update Cabinet on the use of the Healthy Pupil Capital Fund (HPCF) and request approval for a proposal to allocate funding to an initiative to promote the use of cycles to travel to school.

2. Information and Analysis

In 2018-19, the Department for Education made an allocation of £776,839 to the Authority from the Healthy Pupil Capital Fund. On 26 July 2018 (minute number 190/18), Cabinet agreed, as part of the 2018-19 Capital Programme, to separate £400,000 of the HPCF allocation into a fund to address schemes relating to the improvement of health in accordance with the funding guidelines.

The balance of £376,839 was to be utilised for a health-related joint matched funding scheme. On 11 July 2019, Cabinet was advised that the joint matched funding scheme could not proceed and it was agreed that the use of the funding would be reviewed. Pupils are encouraged to walk or cycle to school but it has been identified that one of the barriers against the use of cycles is the lack of facilities to store them securely during the school day. It is therefore proposed that schools are given an opportunity to bid against this section of the HPCF to provide cycle storage up to an individual project cost of £20,000. The Development Team will also

consider requests for alternative projects up to £20,000 that fit with the sustainable travel and/or health and wellbeing.

3. Financial Considerations

The financial considerations are contained in Section 2 however the balance of the HPCF is £453,190 comprising of £76,351 from the separated £400,000 and £376,839 previously allocated to a joint matched funding scheme. HPCF has previously been reported as part of the Children's Services Capital fund but to avoid confusion, this funding has been removed and will be reported separately.

4. Social Value Considerations

This funding is to improve the health of pupils at schools in the County. Separate funds are available for academies. The schools will have the option to deliver the projects themselves under their own financial regulations. Where the projects are delivered by County Property, this will be done under its usual procedures.

5. Other Considerations

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

6. Key Decision Yes

7. Call-in

Is it necessary for the call-in period to be waived in respect of the decisions being proposed in the report? No

8. Background Papers

These are held on file in the Children's Services Development Section.

9. Officer Recommendation

It is recommended that Cabinet:

Consider and approve the £376,839 funding allocated to schools to enable schools the opportunity to bid for cycle storage as part of the health improvement initiative.

Jane Parfremment
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