

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**CABINET****19 November 2020****Report of the Executive Director for Children's Services****CHILDREN'S SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2020-21 EXPANSION
PROJECT AT JOHN PORT SPENCER ACADEMY (YOUNG PEOPLE)****1. Purpose of Report**

To approve the funding for a project to expand John Port Spencer Academy in response to housing growth in its normal area.

2. Information and Analysis

There is significant housing growth in the normal area of John Port Spencer Academy and to date, the Authority has secured £12M in Section 106 agreements. Given the size of the development, the Academy Trust has employed a specialist firm to assess the current accommodation and identify the projects needed to expand the school by 300 places for 11–16 pupils and increase the post 16 provision. At present the masterplan consists of 5 projects.

On 20 January 2020, the Executive Director for Children's Services approved £50,000 to commence the design on a project identified as 1E which was for changes to site access and car park expansion. On 29 July 2020, the Executive Director approved a further £50,000 for a project identified as 1C which was the expansion of the Art and Design block. As design has progressed and it has become clear that the access and car park project is a requirement to secure planning permission for any of the projects to start on site, project 1E has been combined into a larger project 1C.

The combined project will provide additional art and design teaching accommodation for both 11-16 and sixth form pupils through re-modeling 3 of the existing buildings. The project will create additional classrooms, a graphics room and a larger ICT classroom together with associated storage. The car park extension will create an additional 54 places. The total cost of the project is £1,280,664.49

There is a total of £4,178,272.76 in funds held by Derbyshire County Council however this table focuses on the Section 106 funding relating to developments tied to this combined project:

Planning Reference	Site	Available Funds	Funds to be Allocated to Project
9/2013/1044	The Mease, Hilton (secondary)	£693,987.86	£155,062.38
9/2013/1044	The Mease, Hilton (post 16)	£249,017.63	137,916.99
9/2014/1093	Mount Pleasant, Repton (secondary)	£195,988.34	£195,988.34
9/2015/0768	Ladybank Rd, Mickleover (secondary)	£291,465.85 (£50K already allocated)	£291,465.85
9/2013/0745	Etwall Rd, Willington (post 16)	£49,641.64 (£50,000 already allocated)	£49,641.64
9/2012/0889	Clayton Works, Hatton	£20,000	£20,000
9/2013/0643	Longlands Repton (secondary)	£106,025.85	£106,025.85
9/2013/0643	Longlands Repton (post 16)	£45,994.78	£45,994.78
9/2016/1216	Willington Rd, Etwall (secondary)	£52,001.25	£52,001.25
9/2016/1216	Willington Rd, Etwall (post 16)	£18,798.80	£18,798.80
9/2014/0562	Hackwood Farm	£63,128.61	£63,128.61
Total		£1,786,050.61	£1,136,024.49

In addition, the academy has access to £44,640 in leisure S106 funding from South Derbyshire District Council. The project would therefore be funded as follows:

S106 funding (education)	£1,236,024.49
S106 funding (leisure)	£ 44,640.00
Total	£1,280,664.49
Less S106 already paid	£ 100,000.00
Less leisure funding	£ 44,640.00
Total to be allocated	£1,136,024.49

As the projects have developed and the costings have been finalised, it has been necessary to move S106 allocations around in order to meet the cost of the project from available funds. The allocations in the table above therefore varies from those detailed in the delegated paper of 10 January 2020 however that does not change the previous financial approvals.

3. Financial Considerations

The financial considerations are as explained in section 2 of the report

The project will be procured and managed by the Trust and the funding will be the subject of a legal agreement between DCC and the Trust to ensure that the funds are used in accordance with the Section 106 agreement. The balance of funds available for John Port as identified above will be allocated to the remaining projects and will be the subject of a separate report to Cabinet in due course.

4. Property Considerations

John Port Spencer Academy has academy status and therefore whilst the land is owned by Derbyshire County Council, it is leased to the Spencer Academies Trust. Derbyshire County Council retains its responsibility for pupil places planning and securing Section 106 funding to achieve expansion at both maintained and academy school.

5. Social Value Considerations

This funding is to ensure that there is sufficient capacity at the school involved by responding to the housing growth in the area.

6. 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 and transport considerations.

7. Key Decision

Yes

8. Call-in

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

9. Background Papers

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

10. Officer Recommendation

It is recommended that Cabinet approves allocations of £1,136,024.49 in Section 106 funding to the art block and car parking project at John Port Spencer Academy.

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