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## CABINET MEMBER DECISION Date of Decision - 27 February 2020

# APPROVAL FOR PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE AGE S.6 -2.7 (S.6 9C6JF (UBL))-7.20FALA2A 11H(AP)

Mr R Adams

Recommendation

1. The Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills is recommended:

- (a) to approve the publication of 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;
- (b) to note that in accordance with the delegation of authority given by the Leader on 25 April 2018, the Director of Children's Services will dll

Should any funding be required to make this change happen, this will need to be funded by the school. The Local Authority reiterates that no funding is available to support this proposed change.

 Appropriate planning permission and any other consent required have been secured or a clear and transparent timetable for this change has been provided to stakeholders as part of the consultation process

As above, should any changes to accommodation be required as a result of this change, the Local Authority expects these to be undertaken following correct processes, including any landlord consent, and that costs will be funded by the school.

Any approval from the Council to the Change of Age Range proposal should not be taken as approval of any planning and/or landlord requirements as set out above.

#### m) Individual factors for specified school

Cabinet Members have recognised Flyford Flavell as a small school and have voiced their wishes to support it as much as possible to allow it to maintain a high standard of education. The Local Authority appreciates the difficulties the school is having in entering a Multi Academy Trust and that the school is proactive in attempting to find alternative ways to remain viable and provide the best education for their children.

#### Recommendations

7. Given the above information, the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills is recommended to approve the publication of Public Notices for this proposal and approve the publication of the Representation Stage documents for a significant change in line with the prescribed alterations' regulations.

8. The Public Notice period is proposed to begin on 5 March 2020 and will end at noon on the 2 April 2020, following which, a final decision on the approval of this proposal will be made, taking into account any representations received during this period.

9. If no objection is received in this period to the Public Notice, then in accordance with the delegation the final decision will be made by the Director of Children's Services. Should objections be received, all representations will be reviewed by and final decision made by the Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education and Skills.

12. A Joint Impact Assessment (JIA) screening was completed in respect of the change of age range proposal. The screening did not identify any potential concerns requiring further consideration during implementation (Appendix 2).

### **Supporting Information**

• Appendix 1 –Delegation of authority given by the Leader on 25 April 2018, endorsed by the Cabinet on