

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Education
Date:	18 March 2016
Title:	Amalgamation of Crestwood and Quilley Secondary Schools
Reference:	7296
Report From:	Interim director of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

- a) To discontinue Quilley Secondary School with effect from 31 August 2016.
- b) To enlarge Crestwood Secondary School through the utilisation of Quilley Secondary School's site and buildings, with effect from 1 September 2016.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. There are some significant challenges facing secondary education in the areas served by both Crestwood and Quilley secondary schools. These challenges relate to the educational performance of Quilley and the need to secure sufficient, quality secondary school places in the medium term to match the growth in demand for primary school places in this part of Eastleigh.
- 2.2. The governing bodies of both Quilley and Crestwood secondary schools are of the view that the interests of pupils in the area which the schools serve will be best served through a single secondary school located on the two current sites.
- 2.3. The issues facing Quilley of year on year poor educational performance together with low pupil numbers form something of a vicious circle. As such significant change is needed. The amalgamation of Quilley with Crestwood Secondary School represents a new approach to secondary education in the part of Eastleigh which the schools serve, designed to capitalise on the good practice which presently exists in both schools, and raise pupils' attainment across the board.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To maintain the status quo of separate secondary schools.

4. **Conflicts of interest declared by the decision maker:** None
5. **Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel:** None
6. **Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent:** Not applicable.
7. **Statement from the Decision Maker:**

Approved by:

Date:

18 March 2016

**Executive Member for Education
Councillor Edgar**