

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
<b>Date:</b>	22 July 2010
<b>Title:</b>	Aldworth Science College, Basingstoke
<b>Reference:</b>	1485
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Property, Business and Regulatory Services

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**1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1. This report seeks approval to design proposals for the provision of a dance studio and changing rooms by way of a new building extension to the existing Dartmouth Block at Aldworth Science College, Basingstoke, at a total estimated cost of £465,000 (including fees).

**2. Scope of Work**

- 2.1. The proposals outlined in this report seek to provide a multi-purpose performance space and changing rooms, supporting the 14-19 Agenda and extending education into the community.
- 2.2. Although funding for the project has already been approved, this report outlines the available funding within which the project must be designed and delivered.
- 2.4. Any significant issues from either the Risk or Combined Impact Assessment will need to have specific attention in the design or implementation of this project.

**3. Contextual Information**

- 3.1. The Aldworth Science College is located at Western Way, Basingstoke, and is designated a fully resourced school for disabled pupils. The school capacity is 1,010 and there are currently 606 pupils (11-16 years) on roll.
- 3.2. The scheme will be procured through the IESE Tier 3 tender process during August 2010. The works are programmed to commence on site during October 2010 with completion anticipated during February 2011.
- 3.3. Internal refurbishment works are currently being planned to adjacent areas in the existing Dartmouth Block and these works are due to be completed prior to commencement of the building of the proposed dance studio extension. Approval to the internal refurbishment works was given by the Executive Member for Children's Services on 31 March 2010.

3.4. The contractor's access will be from the rear entrance adjacent the new-build site and the works compound will be located in the same area. Once within the school boundaries, pupils and staff will be clearly separated from construction traffic and activities. Deliveries and movement of plant will be restricted during the school day to ensure the safety of all those involved.

3.5. Finance

*Capital Expenditure:*

The Capital Expenditure has already been approved; the following tables outline the breakdown of its distribution across the project:

Capital Expenditure	Current Estimate	Capital Programme
	£'000	£'000
Buildings	399	399
Fees	66	66
Land to be purchased	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>465</b>

*Sources of Funding:*

Financial Provision for Total Scheme	Buildings	Fees	Total Cost
	£'000	£'000	£'000
1. From Own Resources			
a) Capital Programme (as above)	399	66	465
<b>Total</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>465</b>

a) *Building Cost:*

Net Cost (excluding abnormals): £2,620 per m<sup>2</sup>  
 Gross Cost: £3,730 per m<sup>2</sup>

b) *Furniture & Equipment:*

An allocation has been made within the budget for fixtures and fittings.

*School Balances:*

The school has the following level of balances:

*Revenue balance as at 31 March 2010 (Provisional)* £145,760  
*Devolved capital as at 1 April 2010* £119,415

3.6. Revenue Issues:

a) Overview of Revenue Implications:

	(a) Employees £'000	(b) Other £'000	(a+b) *Net Current Expenditure £'000	(c) Capital Charges £'000	(a + b + c) Total Net Expenditure £'000
Revenue Implications Additional + / Reductions	0	0	0	24	24
Unit cost (£) (e.g. per place)					
% variation to Committee's budget					
Number of additional Staff (fte)					

Please Note: The overall level of the revenue budget for funding schools will (from April 2006) be prescribed by central government, and capital projects have no bearing on the level of this budget. Therefore, this proposed project will have no bearing on the overall level of the Children's Services budget, extra costs and savings being met from the same overall schools' funding level.

b) *Energy Costs:*

The estimated annual energy consumption for the new accommodation will meet that required by current Building Regulations.

**4. Risk & Impact Issues**

Please see Appendix B for a summary of the risk and impact issues considered in relation to the design of this project.

## **5. Details of site and existing Infrastructure**

- 5.1. The Dartmouth Block is located to the rear of the school campus and is of single-storey and three-storey SCOLA construction. The proposed dance studio building extension will be to the east of the existing single-storey block, adjacent the Society, Health and Development (SHD) room.
- 5.2. It is anticipated that the existing mains services will be of sufficient capacity to serve the proposals.

## **6. Scope of the Project**

The proposed extension will include the following accommodation:

- performance studio
- associated technician's booth and storage spaces
- male and female dance changing spaces.

## **7. The Proposed Building**

- 7.1. The proposed extension will be of traditional masonry construction. The external finishes will be predominantly new brickwork, with some areas of render, under a high-performance roof, with aluminium powder-coated doors and windows to match the existing building.
- 7.2. The building entrance is to the east of the existing block and this will be reconfigured to provide a new entrance area and to allow for the provision of additional storage and male and female changing areas.
- 7.3. All thresholds and entrances will ensure level access within this fully resourced school provision.

## **8. External Works**

There are no significant landscape proposals associated with this scheme, other than the provision of some paved areas around the new extension and some minor adjustments to existing levels and landscaping to suit the new building and layout.

## **9. Planning**

A planning application was submitted during June 2010.

## **10. Building Management**

The existing arrangements will remain in place.

## **11. Professional Resources**

Mechanical and Electrical )  
Architectural ) Property, Business & Regulatory Services  
Quantity Surveying )  
Structural Engineering )

## **12. Consultations**

12.1. The following have been consulted during the development of this project and any relevant feedback can be seen in overview in Appendix C:

- Local County Councillor
- School/Governors
- Children's Services
- Fire Officer
- Access Officer
- Planning Department

## **13. Recommendations**

That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services approves the proposals for a dance studio and changing rooms by way of a new building extension to the existing Dartmouth Block at Aldworth Science College, Basingstoke, at a total estimated cost of £465,000 (including fees).

**CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**

**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

<b>Hampshire safer and more secure for all:</b>	No
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Maximising well-being:</b>	Yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Enhancing our quality of place:</b>	Yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

**Other Significant Links**

<b>Links to previous Member decisions:</b>		
<u>Title</u> Children's Services Capital Programme issues	<u>Reference</u> 1230	<u>Date</u> 11.03.10
<b>Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives</b>		
<u>Title</u> None	<u>Date</u>	

**Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents**

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
None	

## **RISK & COMBINED IMPACT ASSESSMENT:**

### **Race and Equality Impact Assessment**

Race and equality impact assessment has been considered in the development of this report and no adverse impact has been identified.

### **Crime Prevention Issues**

The County Council has a legal obligation under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider the impact of all the decisions it makes on the prevention of crime. The proposals in this report have no impact on the prevention of crime.

### **Fire Risk Assessment**

In consultation with the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service, a fire risk assessment concludes that this a low fire risk category building. Therefore a sprinkler system will not be installed.

### **Health and Safety**

A designer's risk assessment and a design health and safety plan, in accordance with the Construction Design and Management Regulations 2007, have been undertaken for the proposed scheme.

### **Climate Change**

The proposals include for the walls and roof to be insulated to comply with current legislation. The windows will be triple-glazed to thermally insulate the building.

**FEEDBACK FROM CONSULTEES:**

**OTHER EXECUTIVE MEMBERS:**

<b>Executive Member &amp; Portfolio</b>	<b>Reason for Consultation</b>	<b>Date Consulted</b>	<b>Response:</b>
Cllr P Edgar	Assistant to Cllr Kirk in his role as Executive Member for Children's Services	13.07.10	Cllr Edgar confirmed that he fully supports the proposals.

**OTHER FORMAL CONSULTEES:**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Reason for Consultation</b>	<b>Date Consulted</b>	<b>Response:</b>
Cllr R Hussey	Local Member	13.07.10	Cllr Hussey's comments will be reported verbally at the meeting.