

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Officer Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Peter Colenutt
<b>Title:</b>	Head of Strategic Development
<b>Reference:</b>	Norman Gate School – Capacity increase

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#### 1. The decision:

1.1. That unconditional approval be given to the following proposal; published by Hampshire County Council under Section 19 (1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006:

**To make a prescribed alteration to NORMAN GATE SCHOOL, Vigo Road, Andover, Hampshire, SP10 1JZ (category of schools – Special) by increasing the capacity of the school, with effect from 1 September 2019.**

#### 2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. Formal consultation to increase the capacity of Norman Gate School from 75 to 93 places took place between 25 January and 22 February 2019.
- 2.2. Following the consultation, a public notice was published on 8 March 2019 to increase the capacity of the School with effect from 1 September 2019. No objections were received.
- 2.3. A copy of the Public Notice is appended. The County Council complied with all statutory requirements relating to the publication of the Public Notice.
- 2.4. In accordance with the procedure approved by Hampshire County Council's Cabinet on 21 May 2007, power to make this decision is delegated to the Director of Children's Services.
- 2.5. The reason for making this decision is that this will provide additional primary places for children with moderate learning difficulties and autistic spectrum disorder within the Andover area where a shortfall has been identified.

#### 3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to approve the proposal would mean that there are insufficient SEN primary school places available to meet the demand in the Andover area.

#### 4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflict of interest declared by an Executive Member who is consulted by the officer which relates to the decision:

None

**5. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:**

5.1 None

**Approved by:**

**Date: 08 April 2019**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Colenutt', written over a horizontal dashed line.

**Peter Colenutt, Interim Assistant Director for  
Strategic Development and Capital Delivery**

**On behalf of the Director of Children's Services**

**NORMAN GATE SCHOOL, ANDOVER – CAPACITY INCREASE**

1. Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, that Hampshire County Council intends to make a prescribed alteration to NORMAN GATE SCHOOL, Vigo Road, Andover, Hampshire, SP10 1JZ (category of schools – Special) by increasing the capacity of the school, with effect from 1 September 2019.
2. The current capacity of Norman Gate School is 75 and it is proposed to increase the capacity of the school by adding an additional 18 places though a phased increase over the coming 2-3 years. This will give a final overall capacity of 93 places at Norman Gate School.
3. To accommodate the increased number of places, it is proposed that existing community spaces on site at Norman Gate School will be converted into teaching accommodation to enable more children to attend. The proposed works will include refurbishment of the spaces to provide an appropriate learning environment in permanent accommodation. The total estimated capital cost of the proposal is £600,000.
4. This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal may be obtained from Troy Hobbs, SEN Service Manager, Children's Services Department, EII Court North, Winchester, Hampshire SO23 8UG; 01962 846245; e-mail: [strategicplanningunit@hants.gov.uk](mailto:strategicplanningunit@hants.gov.uk)
5. Within four weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Troy Hobbs, SEN Service Manager, Children's Services Department, EII Court North, Winchester, Hampshire SO23 8UG; 01962 846245; e-mail: [strategicplanningunit@hants.gov.uk](mailto:strategicplanningunit@hants.gov.uk)

Dated: 08 March 2019

John Coughlan  
Chief Executive