

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Education
<b>Date:</b>	11 July 2023
<b>Title:</b>	Hounsome Fields Primary School, Basingstoke
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Universal Services

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### 1. The decision:

1.1. That the Executive Member for Children's Services, grants spend approval to the project proposals for Hounsome Fields Primary School at the total cost of £14,550,000.

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

2.1. The new Hounsome Fields Primary School will provide primary education for up to 420 children aged between 4 and 11 years old, together with a resource provision for 8 pupils with special educational needs.

2.2. The proposed new school is required to meet the anticipated demand for primary school places arising from new homes to be built in two residential developments at Hounsome Fields and Basingstoke Golf Course on the southwest of Basingstoke.

2.3. The site and funding for the new school is provided by developer contributions secured by the County Council via Section 106 Planning Agreements as part of the planning approval process for the two developments.

2.4. These contributions are sufficient to enable the project to be adopted as a Climate Change Primary School Pilot project, aiming to achieve three objectives: zero onsite direct carbon emissions, low embodied carbon in construction and improved resilience to overheating and flooding.

2.5. The school will be located in the northeast of the Hounsome Fields development, just west of the A30. The two-storey school comprises 14 classrooms, a special educational needs resource provision, a hall, studio, learning resource centre, kitchen and ancillary accommodation with hardstanding for informal play and play courts, a staff car park and playing

fields.

- 2.6. The school is to be run by an academy, selected in a competitive process by the County Council and subject to approval from the Department for Education. The school is planned to open in September 2025.
- 2.7. The project is included in the update to the Children Services Capital Programme, approved by the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services Decision Day on 11 July 2023, with a budget of £14,550,000.
- 2.8. A planning application was submitted in February 2023 and a decision is anticipated in September 2023.
- 3. Other options considered and rejected:** None
- 4. Conflicts of interest:**
- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None
- 5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel:** Not Applicable
- 6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent:** Not Applicable
- 7. Statement from the Decision Maker:** Not Applicable

<b>Approved by:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
----- <b>Councillor Steve Forster</b> <b>Executive Member for Education</b>	<b>11 July 2023</b>