

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Steve Clow
Title:	Grange Junior School – Contract Award with McAvoy

1. The decision:

1.1 Approval to allocate an additional £247,000 of the Schools Condition Allocation funding to the project replacing the existing building at Grange Junior School.

1.2 This approval increases the funding allocation from £7,924,000 to £8,171,000 for the project.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1 The tender return for the works at Grange Junior was £1.36m over budget. The team have worked through a Value Engineering exercise which was reduced this by £920k, £220k of which is the omission of the temporary accommodation that may be required to meet a bulge in pupils which Children's Services have agreed that they will fund if required.

2.2 The project team have also reviewed the level of contingency and as the project is Design and Build project proposed that this is reduced to £150k (just over 2%) to cover any risk in the ground or with the demolition. This leaves a funding shortfall of £247k including fees.

2.4 The project at Fryern Junior School is on site and is currently predicted to be £340k under budget which would offset the additional ask at Grange Junior School.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 The additional costs are due to very poor ground conditions and additional prelims related to the site, which total £900k more than at Fryern School. The building cost for Grange and Fryern are comparable with net costs £2,680/m² vs £2,798m², so the team have concluded that we cannot reduce the costs further without significant scope change.

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 Conduct Advisory Panel:

None

6. Supporting Information:

None

Approved by:

Date:

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23 Oct 2020

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**On behalf of the Director of Culture, Communities and
Business Service**