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To members of the Executive Advisory Panel for Education, Skills and Employment

Councillors Scott Edwards (Chair), Wendy Brackenbury, Leanne Buckingham, Annabel de Capell Brooke, Philip Irwin, Dorothy Maxwell and Lee Wilkes

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Minutes of a meeting of the EAP Education, Skills and Employment

At 5.00 pm on Wednesday 4th August, 2021 via MS Teams (virtual meeting)

Present:-

Members

Councillor Scott Edwards (Chair)
Councillor Wendy Brackenbury
Councillor Annabel de Capell Brooke
Councillor Philip Irwin

Councillor Dorothy Maxwell
Councillor Leanne Buckingham
Councillor Lee Wilkes

Officers

Cathi Hadley – Executive Director,
Children’s Services
Carol Berrevoets – Adult Learning

Ben Smith – Democratic Services

9 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

10 **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Chair invited those who wished to do so to declare interests in respect of items on the agenda.

No declarations were received.

11 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 JUNE 2021**

RESOLVED that:

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 June 2021 are a true and accurate record of the meeting, subject to corrections to the spelling of the names Cllr Philip Irwin and Carol Berrevoets.

12 **UPDATE TO TERMS OF REFERENCE**

Further to consideration of the terms of reference for Executive Advisory Panels as a whole at the first meeting of this Panel, Cathi Hadley – Executive Director for Children’s Services introduced additional specific wording in relation to the education, Skills and Employment area of activity, as follows:-

Education, Skills and Employment – Proposed Addition to the General Terms of Reference

The purpose of the EAP is to consider and review any reports on the forward

*plan for Executive. The Panel will also be kept up to date and informed of any significant government policy changes which impacts on service delivery and any changes to service provision in LSE. A forward plan will be developed to ensure that the Panel have a future plan of items. The forward plan will be reviewed at all Panels.
Ben confirmed policy development in the Constitution.*

AGREED:

That the additional wording above be added to the terms of reference for the Education, Skills and Employment Executive Advisory Panel.

13 FORWARD PLAN OF EXECUTIVE ITEMS

Members considered the latest Executive forward plan of items, dated from 1 July to 31 October, specifically items relating to Children's Services.

AGREED:

That the forward plan of items be noted.

14 FORWARD LIST OF ITEMS FOR EDUCATION, SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT EAP

Members considered the latest forward list of items for the Panel.

The Chair informed Cllr Maxwell that he would respond to a question she had raised on how many children were home tutored outside of the meeting.

In response to a further question on how many schools were in special measures, the Executive Director informed Cllr Maxwell that a report on school effectiveness would be brought to the Panel in September 2021, which would cover that subject area.

AGREED:

That the forward list of Panel items be noted.

15 VARIATION TO THE ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR MAINTAINED SCHOOLS FOR 2021/22 AND 2022/23

The Executive Director introduced a report on admission arrangements that would be considered by the Executive on 5 August 2021, the purpose of which was to explain why the School Admission arrangements must be varied to comply with the new mandatory requirements of the new School Admissions Code (the Code) from September 2021, and to ask the Executive to vary the admission arrangements for its schools.

The Chair informed Panel members that he very much welcomed their views on this and future Executive reports that would be brought to them for consideration in the meetings ahead.

Arising from discussion the following principal points were noted:

- i. The effective date of September 2021 for the new admission arrangements would not have any immediate impact on schools or carers as they were all used to working to an admissions code. All interested parties were aware of the requirements and had received sufficient notice;
- ii. The Panel offered its support to the Chair, for it to be a sounding board for any further amendments that may be required to the School Admissions Code in future, noting the delegated powers that were proposed to be given to him;
- iii. The reference in the report to children from abroad was in relation to children in state care in other countries; it was clarified this did not relate to refugees;
- iv. A query regarding the provision of support to children who studied English as a second language would be responded to Cllr Maxwell outside of the meeting, noting it did not directly relate to the item on the agenda.

AGREED:

That the report be noted.

16 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was noted that item 9 on the agenda was no longer considered to be exempt and that exclusion of the press and public was no longer required.

17 TWO FORM OF ENTRY PRIMARY SCHOOL, STANTON CROSS SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT

The Executive Director introduced a report, the purpose of which was to seek approval from the Executive of Section 106 expenditure of £9.66 million to fund the new two form of entry primary school, located at Stanton Cross, Wellingborough.

Arising from discussion the following principal points were noted:-

- i. It was queried whether in choosing an academy sponsor for the primary school, whether this allowed any body to seek to run a school, under Free School regulations. The Director undertook to respond outside of the meeting but also confirmed that any final decision would lie with central government's Department for Education;
- ii. The estimated number of pupils calculated as attending the school in future years was undertaken using the Section 106 process;
- iii. The admissions process would not just be accessible to children of Stanton Cross;

- iv. Capital funders would ensure compliance of build construction going forward which had gone through a Design and Build process, meaning that the contractor bore the risk should the cost of building works rise above the £9.6m funding available for the school to be open by the required date of 1 Sept 2022.

AGREED:

That the report be noted.

18 **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Chair thanked members and officers for their attendance, and closed the meeting.

Chair

Date

The meeting closed at 5.50 pm

EXECUTIVE 26th AUGUST 2021

Report Title	Proposal to fund a 'Connected Offer' or annex site to Isebrook SEND College at the 'Four Seasons' building, Kettering.
Report Author	Chris Wickens, Head of School Place Planning – Chris.Wickens@northnorthants.gov.uk
Executive Member	Cllr Scott Edwards, Executive Member for Children, Families, Education and Skills

Key Decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Forward Plan Reference (if yes to Key Decision)	
Is the decision eligible for call-in by Scrutiny?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there public sector equality duty implications?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information (whether in appendices or not)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Applicable paragraph number for exemption from publication under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1974	

List of Appendices

No appendices

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to provide Members with all the necessary information to make a fully informed decision on the proposal to fund an annex site or 'Connected Offer' provision to Isebrook SEND College, Kettering.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) has a statutory obligation of providing a sufficiency of school places across all phases of education and in all areas of North Northamptonshire;
- 2.2 The current and forecast demand for secondary SEND places within North Northamptonshire means that NNC is currently at risk of failing to meet this statutory obligation and that immediate action is required to provide additional SEND capacity;

- 2.3 This report presents a proposal for approval that will assist NNC in fulfilling this statutory obligation within the area, through the provision of an annex site or 'Connected Offer' to Isebrook SEND College, that will provide an additional 20 secondary SEND places from 21/22 onwards;
- 2.4 The report seeks to establish the reasons that this proposal has been made and provide the required evidence to support the reasons for recommendations made in section 3.2 of this report., This evidence will include; the demand for the new provision, the benefits the 'Connected Offer' will provide to students that will attend the provision and the financial benefits that will be realised by NNC as a result;
- 2.5 The provision of the 'Connected Offer' will cost £531,886 and it is proposed that NNC fund this proposal from available and uncommitted 'SEND Capital Grant' funding received from central government. This funding is ring-fenced specifically for the 'provision of new and improvement of existing SEND places'.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Executive:
- a) Note the proposal to establish an annex site or 'Connected Offer' provision to Isebrook SEND College at the 'Four Seasons' building, Kettering by the Creating Tomorrow Academy Trust (the Academy Trust that operates Isebrook SEND College)
 - b) Approve the required expenditure of £481,886 to allow for the progression of the proposed scheme and to note that this scheme will be funded via SEND Capital Grant funding received directly from central government;
 - c) To delegate authority to the Executive Member for Children, Families, Education and Skills in consultation with the Executive Director of Children's ServicesE to complete all necessary documentation to ensure effective delivery of the scheme.
- 3.2 Reason for Recommendations:
- The recommended course of action is the most cost-effective manner of providing additional SEND places in the Kettering area of North Northants;
 - The Council and its customers will receive the maximum benefit from the option proposed. The proposal will provide a bespoke specialist education provision within the area that is not currently available, that is specifically designed to meet the individual needs of the cohort of students that will attend the new provision;
 - To proposal will assist the Council in fulfilling its statutory obligations of providing a sufficiency of SEND places by providing an additional 20 secondary SEND places in the area.

4. Report Background

- 4.1 As of September 2021, it is forecast that there will be a deficit of circa 25 primary and 135 secondary SEND places in North Northamptonshire as a whole. This deficit of places has been calculated by comparing demand with the total capacity provided by the SEND units (attached to mainstream schools) and the specialist provision (special schools) located in the area;

- 4.2 This is despite NNC's predecessor organisation, Northamptonshire County Council, providing the following new SEND capacity between 2015 and 2020 in the area in which now forms North Northamptonshire;
- 93 new primary places via extensions to existing SEND schools and SEND units;
 - 111 new secondary places via extensions to existing SEND schools and SEND units;
 - The establishment of a new 100 place 'all-through' SEND school;
- 4.3 A new secondary SEND free school is due to open in the East Northants area from September 2021, will provide 27 places in its first year of operation (and 100 new secondary SEND places in total once full). This new school will provide much needed new capacity within North Northamptonshire and will assist in mitigating against the forecast deficit of secondary SEND places from September 2021;
- 4.4 However, further new capacity will still be required to help mitigate against the forecast deficit of SEND places in North Northamptonshire both now and in the future. SEND pupil projection forecasts collated by NNC indicate that the total number of children and young people in receipt of an Education Health & Care (EHC) Plan is forecast to increase by 520 or 23% in the period 2021 – 2025;
- 4.5 The proposal to establish an annex site or 'Connected Offer' to Isebrook SEND College will provide an initial 10 new places for the 2021/22 academic year and a total of 20 places from the 2022/23 academic year onwards;
- 4.6 As well as providing much needed additional new capacity to assist in meeting demand in North Northamptonshire, the 'Connected Offer' will also meet the needs of a new and growing cohort of circa 20 students within the area. The students that the proposed new provision will cater for have a primary SEND need of 'Social, Emotional & Mental Health (SEMH) and can be categorised as 'anxious school refusers' who are of average or above average ability;
- 4.7 This proposal is the result of a collaboration between Officers within the EHC team at NNC and the Creating Tomorrow Academy Trust. It has been specifically designed to provide both bespoke accommodation and a bespoke method of curriculum delivery that are tailored to meet the individual needs of the students that will attend it. The new provision is expected to significantly improve both the attainment levels achieved by this cohort of students and positively impact their future life chances as a result;
- 4.8 Should NNC be unable to place a child or young person in receipt of an EHC Plan within a SEND unit or specialist provision within its maintained or academy estate, NNC will be legally required to secure a place in an independent or out of county provision to ensure it continues to fulfil its statutory obligations in this respect. Places in independent or out of county provisions are significantly more costly than those in NNC's maintained and academy SEND estate, and the utilisation of these places represent a significant pressure to the High Needs Block (HNB) of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG), which provides the revenue funding for all specialist places. This budget is under significant pressure at the current time and additional places are required within the maintained and academy estate to mitigate against this particular issue. It is forecast that the HNB of the DSG will overspend by £3m in the 2021/22 financial year;

- 4.9 Revenue funding from the HNB of the DSG in the amount of £320,000 (for the initial 10 students) has been agreed as the base funding for the proposed new 'Connected Offer'. Had these same 10 students been placed in independent or out of county provision it would have cost the HNB £762,000 in total to educate same 10 students in the 2021/22 academic year. This proposal can therefore be considered to represent a cost avoidance benefit to the HNB of the DSG £442,000 for the 2021/22 academic year. This cost avoidance benefit will increase in future academic years as the 'Connected Offer' grows in size;
- 4.10 The 'Four Seasons' building which will provide the site for the proposed 'Connected Offer' provision is a former Day Centre for elderly people owned by NNC, located in School Lane, Kettering. The building has already been leased to the Creating Tomorrow Academy Trust for delivery of the proposed new provision. The building needs significant refurbishment to make it suitable to accommodate an education provision for students with additional needs. Works required include;
- Refurbishment and redecoration of all internal areas;
 - Works to increase robustness of the structure to ensure suitability for cohort of students that will attend the provision i.e. window replacement;
 - Reconfiguration and redecoration of all toilet facilities;
 - Replacement of end of life Mechanical & Engineering elements of the building;
 - Refurbishment of existing Café/Kitchen area;
 - Works to provide a secure perimeter and access to the building;
- 4.11 The anticipated cost of these works is £531,886, however, £50,000 was previously committed to this scheme by Northamptonshire County Council and remains unspent, so this request for expenditure equates to £481,886 in new funding;
- 4.12 All works will be funded from SEND Capital Grant funding that was allocated to Northamptonshire County Council for the 2020/21 financial year. This funding was provided specifically to NNC's predecessor organisation for the provision of 'new or improved' SEND places and is ring-fenced for this purpose. NNC has more than sufficient SEND Capital Grant funding available to it for the delivery of this scheme;
- 4.13 It is estimated that the construction programme for the proposed works will take approximately 12 weeks once a contract has been awarded for the works.

5. Issues and Choices

- 5.1 This proposal relates to the fulfilment of NNC's statutory obligations in respect of the provision of a sufficiency of SEND places in North Northamptonshire. Taking no action would have represented a clear and immediate risk to these statutory obligations and resulted in an increased pressure of the HNB of the DSG as identified in section 4.9 of this report and was therefore not a viable option;
- 5.2 The provision of a stand-alone building at Isebrook SEND College was considered, however, this was discounted due to restrictions in the physical space on the school site and as a building located on an operational school site

would not meet the individual needs of this cohort of students. Further site searches were conducted in the town of Kettering but no other suitable site was identified as being suitable from either a physical or financial perspective;

- 5.3 The current proposal will realise the following benefits and can be considered to represent the best choice for the provision of new secondary SEND places in the Kettering area of North Northamptonshire at the present time;
- The proposed provision will provide 20 new secondary SEND places to assist NNC fulfil its statutory obligations;
 - The proposed provision will provide a bespoke new provision to meet the individual needs of a new and growing cohort of students in the area that is not currently available and is expected to increase the life chances of the students that attend the provision;
 - The proposal represents a cost avoidance benefit to the HNB of the DSG of £442,000 in its first year of operation, which can be expected to approximately double from its second year onwards. This cost avoidance benefit will repay the capital outlay for the scheme in 16 months.

6. Implications (including financial implications)

6.1 Resources and Financial

- 6.1.1 This scheme will require approval of £481,886 for its progression (in addition to the £50,000 that was approved by NNC's predecessor organisation for this purpose). As per section 4.12 of this report, the scheme will be 100% funded by SEND Capital Grant funding received from central government for this purpose;
- 6.1.2 The proposed new unit will require revenue funding for its operation from the 2021/22 academic year onwards from the HNB of the DSG. The proposal will receive £320,000 of revenue funding in its first year of operation which will double from the second year as the 'Connected Offer' will double its capacity. However, the proposal represents a substantial cost avoidance benefit as identified in section 4.9 of this report;
- 6.1.3 This construction works related to this scheme will be project managed by colleagues within NNC's Capital Projects Team and sufficient resource is available within the team for this purpose.

6.2 Legal

- 6.2.1 There are no legal implications arising from this proposal.

6.3 Risk

a) Risk(s) associated with the proposal

Risk	Mitigation	Residual Risk
Costs higher than available budget	All works to be procured through NNC procurement frameworks or with three quotes to be obtained to ensure best value is achieved. Sufficient SEND Capital Grant available for delivery of scheme.	Green
Covid-19 impacts upon delivery of schemes	Timeframes for delivery arranged in full accordance with the school and in full compliance with all government advice	Green

b) Risk(s) associated with not undertaking the proposal

Risk	Risk Rating
NNC fails to fulfil its statutory obligation of providing a sufficiency of secondary school SEND places.	Red
The cohort of students that will attend the proposed new provision do not attend a setting that is best placed to meet their individual needs and they do not realise their potential.	Red
NNC does not realise the cost avoidance benefits that the proposal would deliver and additional pressure on the HNB of the DSG is realised.	Red

6.4 Consultation

6.4.1 No statutory consultation process is required in relation to this proposal.

6.5 Consideration by Scrutiny

6.5.1 None.

6.6 Climate Impact

6.6.1 The refurbishment and replacement of end of life Mechanical & Engineering elements within the 'Four Seasons' building, in addition to the replacement of windows on site, will ensure that the building is far more energy efficient than it is at present;

6.6.2 The provision of an increased number of secondary SEND places within the Kettering area will ensure that students attending the new provision will not be required to travel to independent or out of county provisions located further from

their place of residence. This reduction in journey times can be considered to be a positive climate impact.

6.7 Community Impact

6.7.1 If approved, this proposal will create a bespoke educational provision designed to cater towards the individual needs of a new and growing cohort of students within North Northamptonshire and one that will benefit all future students that attend this provision. This proposal will have a positive impact upon the SEND community within the area.

7. Background Papers

7.1 None.

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EXECUTIVE 26th AUGUST 2021

Report Title	Improvement of facilities at Montsaye Academy, Rothwell, using banked Section 106 funding
Report Author	Chris Wickens, Head of School Place Planning – Chris.Wickens@northnorthants.gov.uk
Executive Member	Cllr Scott Edwards, Executive Member for Children, Families, Education and Skills

Key Decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Forward Plan Reference (if yes to Key Decision)	
Is the decision eligible for call-in by Scrutiny?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there public sector equality duty implications?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information (whether in appendices or not)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Applicable paragraph number for exemption from publication under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1974	

List of Appendices

Appendix A – Science Block plan;
Appendix B – Dining Facility plan;
Appendix C – DT Courtyard plan;
Appendix D – Accessibility Lift plan.

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. To provide Members with all the necessary information to make a fully informed decision on whether to passport banked Section 106 funding, that names Montsaye Academy as beneficiary, for use on a capital improvement scheme to improve the educational facilities at the school.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) is currently in receipt of £606,446 of banked Section 106 developer contributions that name Montsaye Academy as beneficiary;
- 2.2 NNC Officers have worked in conjunction with Pathfinder Schools Academy Trust (the Trust which operates Montsaye Academy) to produce plans that will improve the standard of accommodation at, and the educational environment

provided by Montsaye Academy. These works will benefit all current and future students that will attend the school;

- 2.3 These plans will also act as facilitating works for a future increase in the Published Admission Number (PAN) from 240 to 270 places per year group and provide 150 new secondary school places in total. These wider extension works will be completed when further new housing has been delivered in the area and future S106 contributions have been received;
- 2.4 Should this funding request not be approved, in excess of 60% of the banked S106 contributions will 'expire' in June 2022 and would be returned to the relevant housing developer at this point. This funding needs to be utilised by June 2022 to realise the benefit for Montsaye Academy and its students.

3. Recommendations

3.1 It is recommended that the Executive:

- a) Approve the release of £606,446 of Section 106 contributions for Montsaye Academy;
- b) Approve the delivery of the project by Pathfinder Schools Academy Trust;
- c) Delegate authority to the Executive Member for Children, Families, Education and Skills in consultation with the Director of Children's Services to enter into a Funding Agreement between North Northamptonshire Council and Pathfinder Schools Academy Trust for the delivery of planned improvement works.

3.2 Reason for Recommendations –

- The recommended course of action will allow the timely progression of capital improvement works at Montsaye Academy that are required to improve the educational environment for students and staff;
- The recommended course of action will benefit students currently being educated at Montsaye Academy;
- The Council (or customers) will receive the maximum benefit from the option proposed and Montsaye Academy will be able to derive the full benefit of the banked S106 contributions.

4. Report Background

- 4.1 North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) has, or is due to receive, Section 106 developer contributions specifically towards secondary education at Montsaye Academy. In total there are seven different developments, where the Section 106 agreements identifies Montsaye Academy as the beneficiary of these contributions. For the purpose of clarity, this funding cannot be used at any other school;
- 4.2 In total, the Section 106 agreements stipulate that the funding which equates to £2.6m (plus indexation) in total will be received by NNC. However, this request relates only to S106 contributions that have been received and banked by NNC.

At present a total of £606,446 has been received from the three completed developments identified below;

- KE/00/0119, Jubilee Street, Rothwell;
- KET/2012/0528, Land off Harborough Road, Desborough;
- KET/2012/0780 Harrington Road, Desborough;

- 4.3 To ensure that the maximum benefit can be derived from this funding for students currently being educated at Montsaye Academy, it is proposed that works at the school be delivered in a phased manner as and when funding is received by NNC;
- 4.4 The proposed works are required to improve the standard of accommodation available at Montsaye Academy. The main aim of the proposed works is to ensure that the school has the ability to effectively deliver the Science curriculum to current and future students that attend the school and also improve the school's safeguarding arrangements in terms of access to the school site. A full list of the proposed works can be found in section 4.5 of this report.
- 4.5 A feasibility study and detailed design has been commissioned and completed by the Pathfinder Schools Academy Trust (the Trust who operate the school). These design works identified the following works to be progressed as a matter of priority during the 'Phase 1' tranche of works:
- Refurbishment of existing Science Block: The current Science facilities at Montsaye Academy are old are no longer fit for purpose in terms of delivering the current national curriculum to students. The existing accommodation will be completely refurbished and new equipment provided within to address this issue;
 - Extension of dining facilities: To allow the school to address what has become a significant 'pinch point' in terms of student circulation and to facilitate an increase to the school's PAN in the future; ·
 - Installation of new pedestrian and vehicular access gate: To improve the safeguarding arrangements at the school and to make access to the school site more secure;
 - Miscellaneous works: To improve student circulation around the school site and to address various accessibility issues in parts of the school (replacement lift).
- 4.6 The 'Phase 1' works can also be considered as enabling works to allow a future increase in its PAN from 240 to 270 places per year group, once future S106 contributions have been received from area housing developments to fund the rest of the required works;
- 4.7 The proposed expenditure of £606,446 for the works identified above, was approved at NNC's 'Strategic Capital Board' on 9th August 2021. The total cost of the works will be £628,000, however, NNC's total commitment will be £606,446 and the Academy Trust will provide the rest of the funding for completion of the proposed scheme.

5. Issues and Choices

- 5.1 The only other option available in respect of this proposal is for NNC to hold the S106 funding already received until all developer contributions have been

received and to deliver the planned Phase 1 works as part as a wider project. However, this would mean current students at the school would not benefit from the improved facilities and would continue to be taught in a sub-standard environment;

- 5.2 The proposed works will be fully funded using banked S106 contributions that name Montsaye Academy as the beneficiary of said contributions, they cannot be legally utilised anywhere else. Should the decision be taken to delay the planned works there is a risk that the previously banked contributions would 'expire' and have to be returned to the relevant housing developer. In excess of 60% of the currently banked S106 contributions will expire in June 2022 and this funding must be utilised before this date;
- 5.3 Any funding pass-ported to the Academy Trust that operate the school would be underpinned by a Funding Agreement that would limit NNC's financial liability to the total amount of banked S106 contributions only and assigns all financial risk over and above this value to the Academy Trust delivering the works. This is standard practice when NNC has provided funding for capital works to be delivered by an Academy Trust in the past;

6. Implications (including financial implications)

6.1 Resources and Financial

- 6.1.1 Total capital contributions of £606,446 have been invoiced and received by NNC.
- 6.1.2 For the purpose of clarity, the S106 agreements that will provide the funding in question name Montsaye Academy as the beneficiary of the funding and it cannot be used by NNC for any other purpose;
- 6.1.3 There are no other resources or financial implications arising from this proposal. The project will be delivered by the Academy Trust and supported and monitored by Officers within the School Place Planning Team at nil cost to NNC.

6.2 Legal

- 6.2.1 This proposal would have limited legal implications for NNC, the pass-ported of any funding would be underpinned by a 'Funding Agreement'. This agreement will clearly set out the roles and responsibilities of all parties and identify for which purpose the funding may be utilised;
- 6.2.2 There are no other legal implications arising from the proposals.

6.3 Risk

- 6.3.1 There is no risk to NNC associated with the delivery of this project; the Funding Agreement that will underpin the delivery of the proposed scheme will limit NNC's financial liability in respect of this scheme to the value of the banked S106 contributions only. The Funding Agreement allocates all risk associated with delivery of the scheme to Pathfinder Schools.

6.3.2 The biggest risk associated with the proposed scheme would arise from any decision not to approve this proposal and funding request. In excess of 60% of the banked S106 contributions that form the funding stream for these proposed works are due to expire in June 2022. If this funding has not been used by this date it would be returned to the housing developer who made the original contribution and it could then not be used for the benefit of current and future students attending Montsaye Academy.

6.4 Consultation

6.4.1 The decision to approve expenditure of S106 funding received would be the decision of NNC and is not subject to any statutory consultation process. As such, there is no requirement for any consultation on the matter to have been conducted.

6.5 Consideration by Scrutiny

6.5.1 None.

6.6 Climate Impact

6.6.1 Any construction works at Montsaye Academy would have a limited climate impact, which will be managed via the relevant planning process;

6.6.2 The request to passport the funding itself to Montsaye Academy has no direct climate impact.

6.7 Community Impact

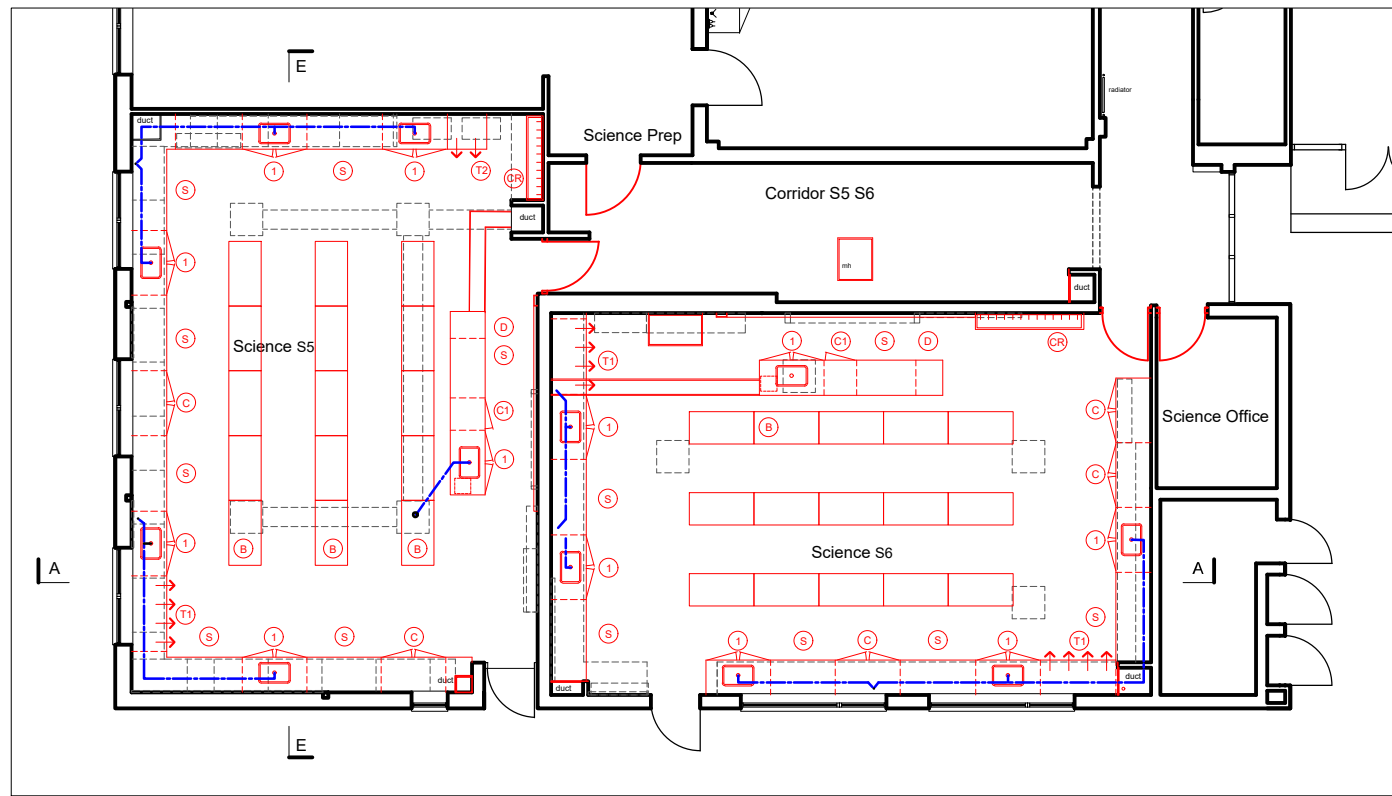
6.7.1 This proposal can be considered to have a positive impact upon on both students that currently attend Montsaye Academy or will do in the future by providing access to improved educational facilities.

6.7.2 The planned 'Phase 1' tranche of works that this funding request relates to, can also be considered facilitating works for a future increase in Montsaye Academy's PAN from 240 to 270 places and will provide 150 new secondary school places in the future. As such, this proposal will have a further positive community impact as it will help provide sufficient secondary school places in this area of North Northants in the future.

7. Background Papers

7.1 None.

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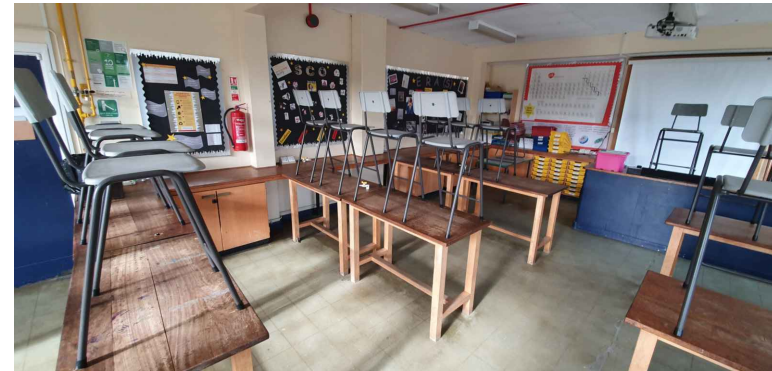
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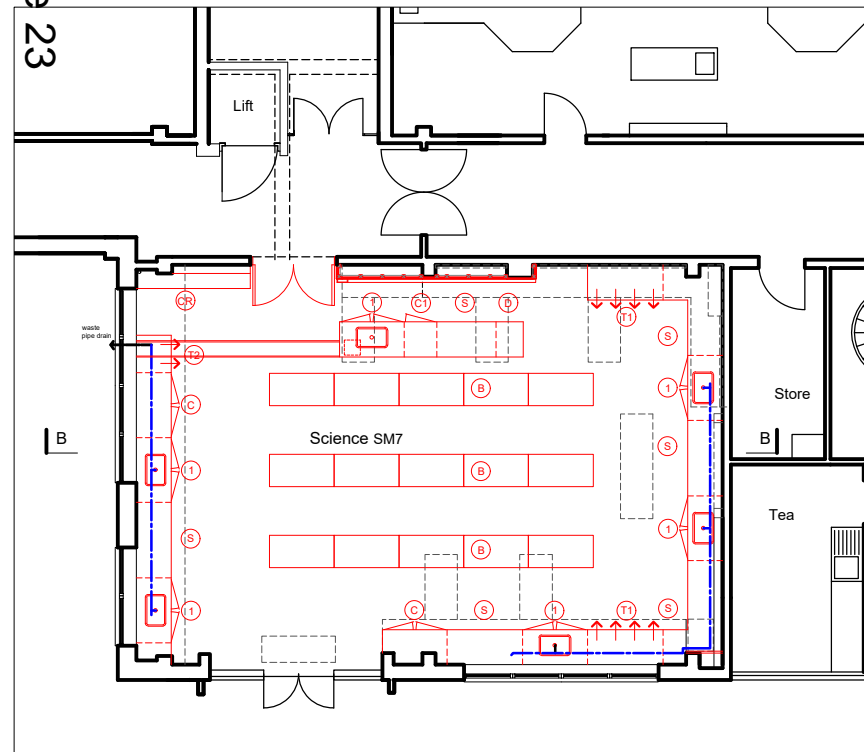
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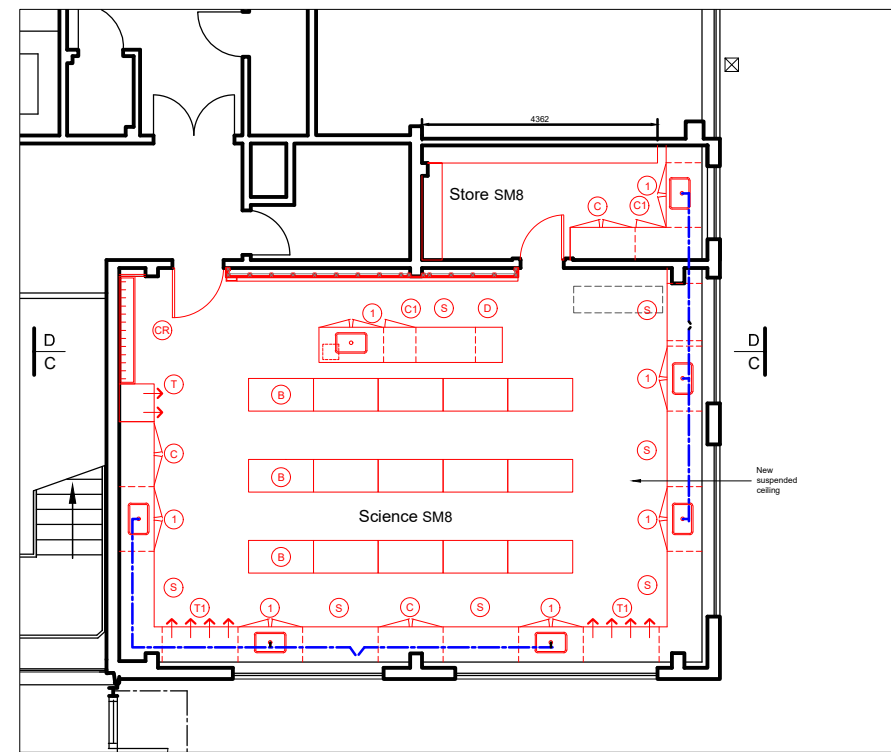
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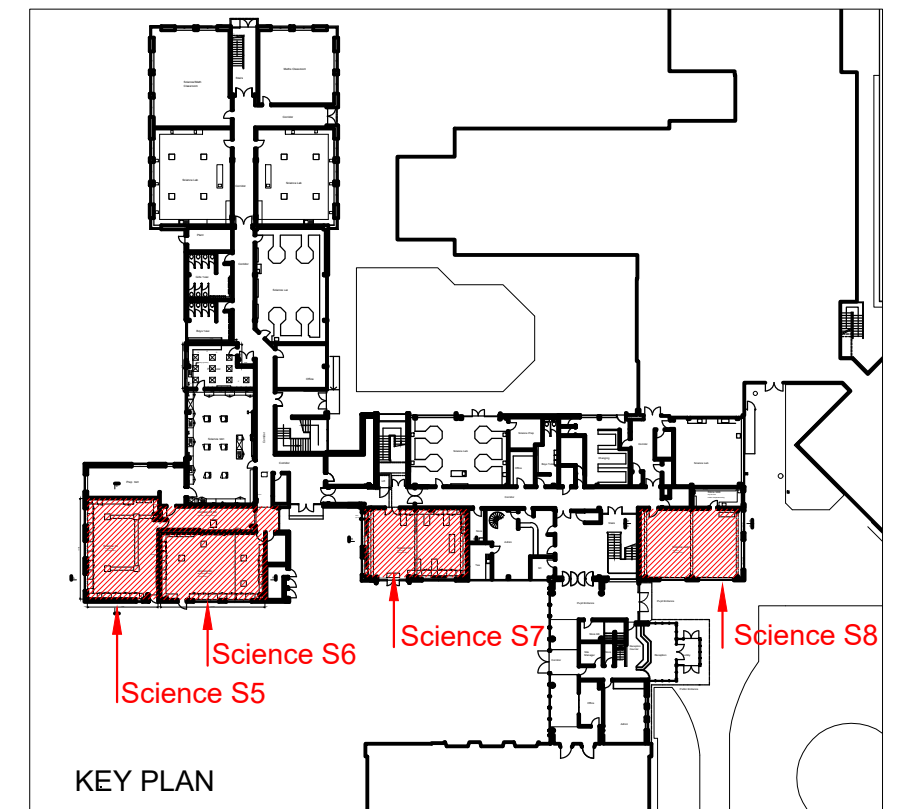
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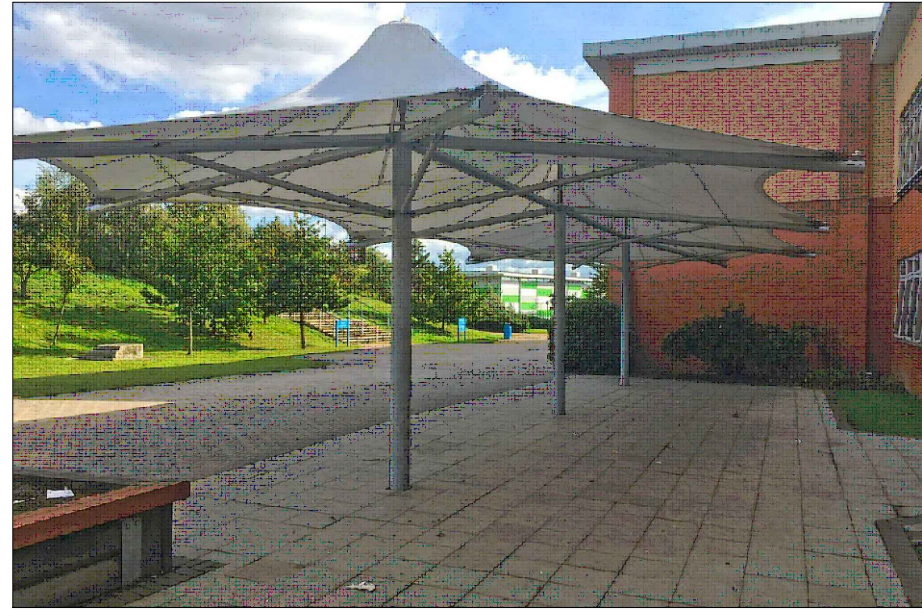


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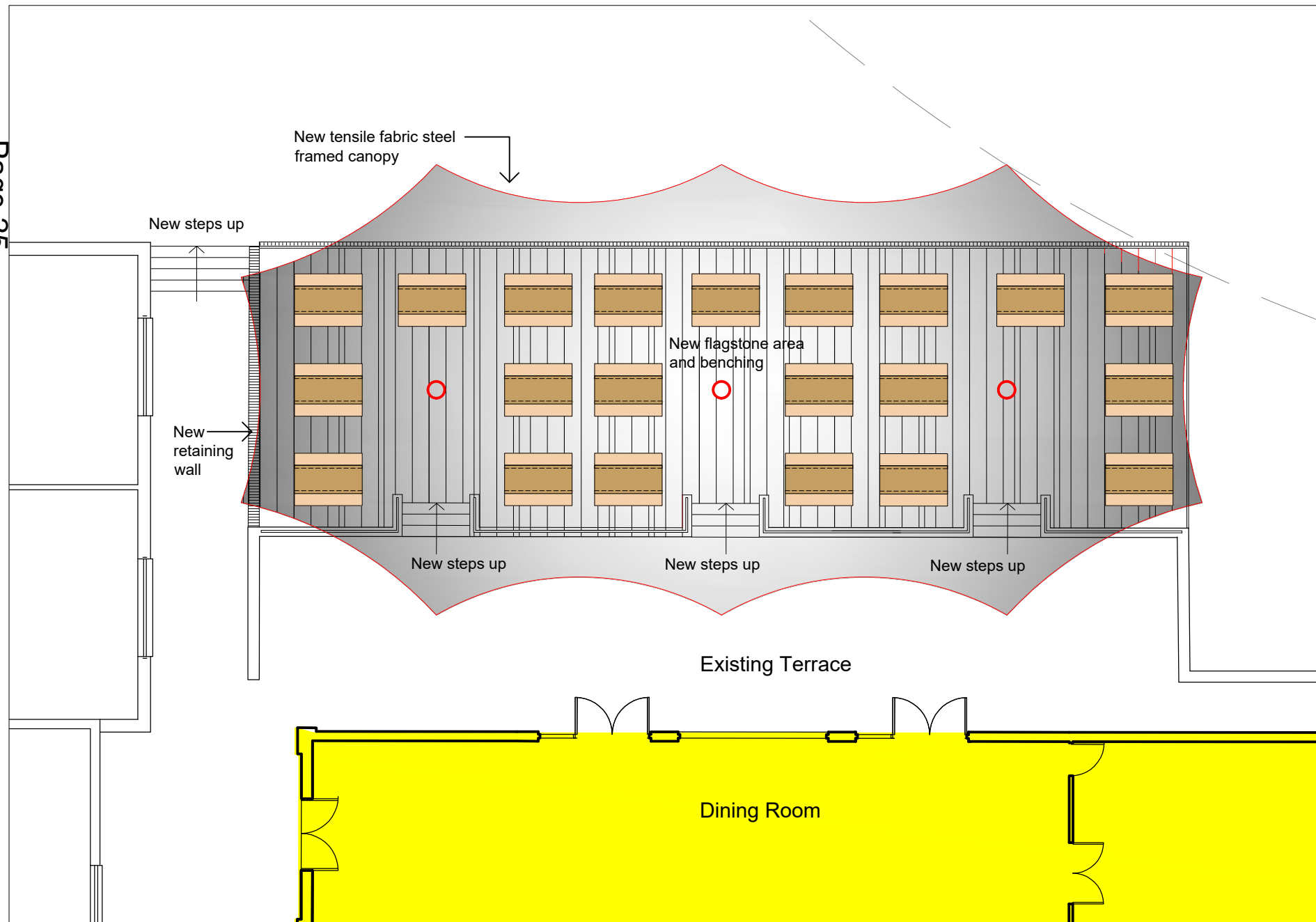


Examples of canopy



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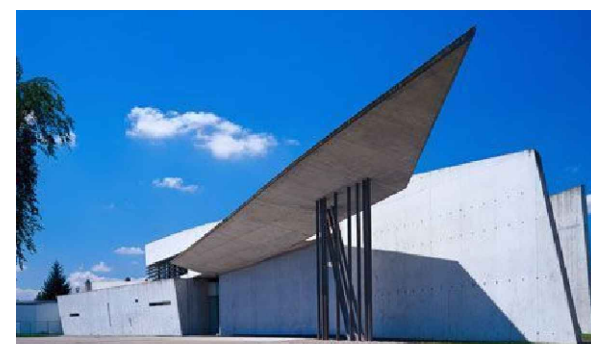
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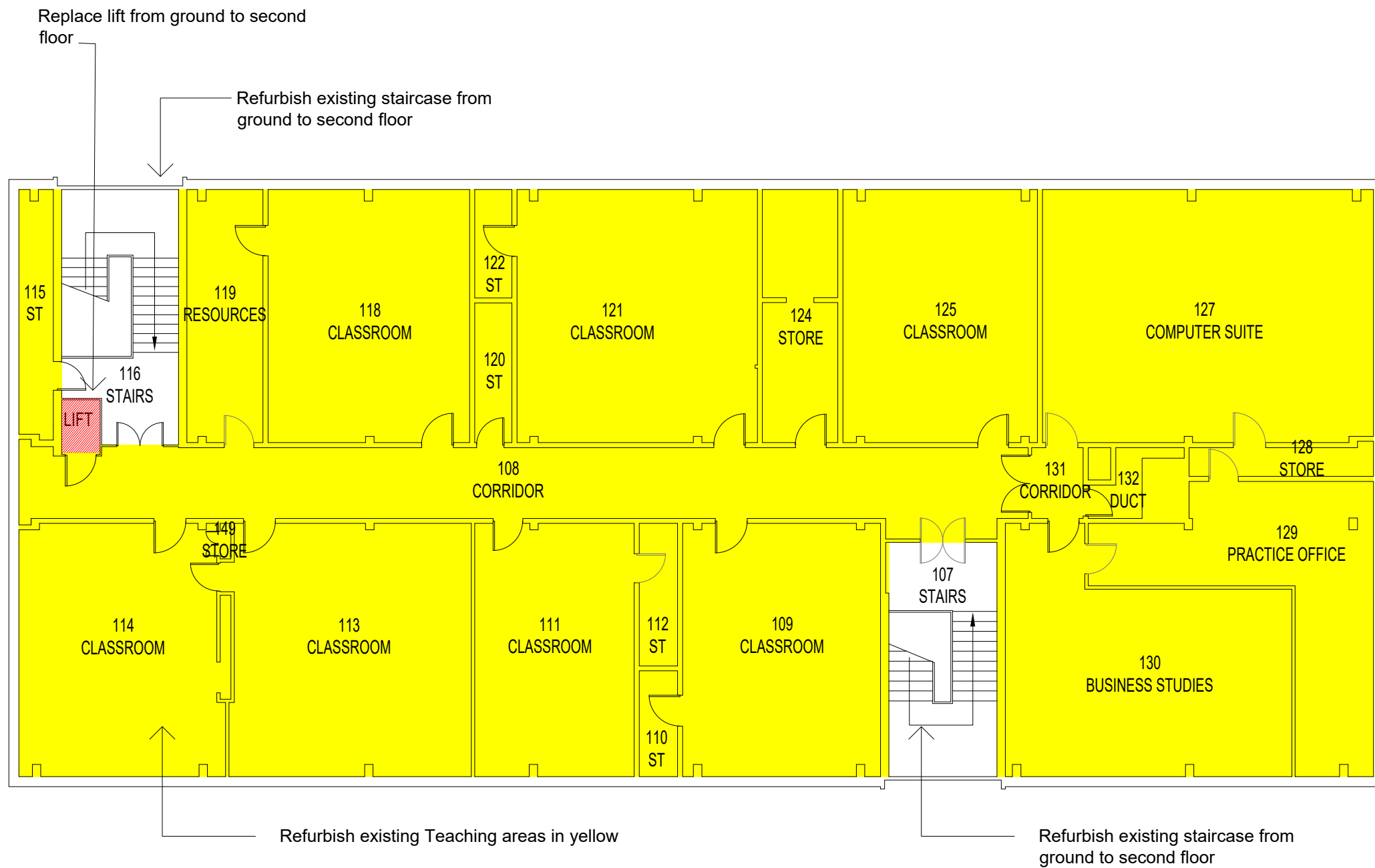


Examples of canopy types

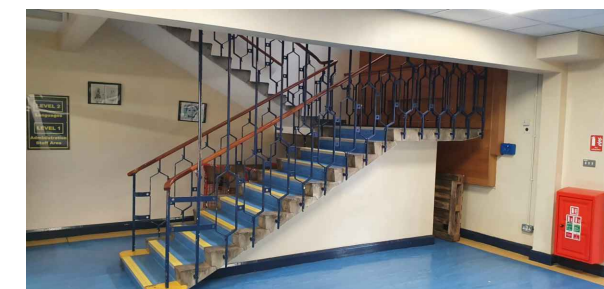
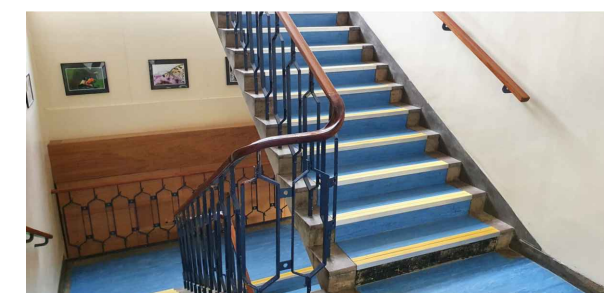
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Classroom and area above suspended ceiling



Staircase in main teaching block

Montsaye Academy
 Feasibility II - Improvements
 Second Floor Classrooms, Staircases and Lift

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INTRODUCTION

This is the North Northamptonshire Council's Forward Plan. It is published pursuant to The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012. Its purpose is to provide the required 28 days notice of the Council's intention to take 'key decisions' and to hold meetings or parts of meetings in private. It gives advance notice of all the "key decisions" and "exempt decisions" which the Executive or another body or officer so authorised are likely to take over a four month period. The Plan is updated on a rolling monthly basis.

The Members of the Executive are:	
Councillor Jason Smithers	Leader of North Northamptonshire Council
Councillor Helen Howell	Deputy Leader of North Northamptonshire Council Sport, Leisure, Culture and Tourism
Councillor Helen Harrison	Adults, Health and Wellbeing
Councillor Scott Edwards	Children, Families, Education and Skills
Councillor Harriet Pentland	Climate and Green Environment
Councillor Lloyd Bunday	Finance and Transformation
Councillor Steven North	Growth and Regeneration
Councillor Graham Lawman	Highways, Travel and Assets
Councillor Andy Mercer	Housing and Community
Councillor David Howes	Rural Communities and Localism

The concept of a "key decision" is intended to capture the most important or significant decisions. "Key decisions" will normally be made at meetings open to the press and public. The press and public will only be excluded from such meetings as and when the Council's Monitoring Officer considers that this is necessary in order to avoid the public disclosure of confidential or exempt information.

The authority has decided that a Key Decision is one which is likely:-

- (a) to result in the authority incurring expenditure of which is, or the making of savings which are, significant; or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more electoral wards in the area of the authority."

The Council has decided that significant expenditure or savings are those amounting to above £500,000.

In determining the meaning of "*significant*" for these purposes North Northamptonshire Council will also have regard to any guidance for the time being issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with section 9Q of the Local Government Act 2000.

At times it may be necessary for the North Northamptonshire Council to give consideration to items where the public may be excluded from the meeting. Members of the public are excluded from meetings whenever it is likely that, in the view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that confidential information would be disclosed. This includes exclusion from access to any pertinent documents. Details of the exemption categories can be found in the 'Access to Information Procedure Rules' section in the Council's [Constitution](#). This plan provides advance notice of any items which may be held in private.

Paragraph 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 provides for members of the public to make representations to the Council on why an exempt item should be considered in public, rather than in private. Persons wishing to make such representations and/or obtain further details in respect of any issues referred to in the Plan should contact the undermentioned officer.

The Monitoring Officer may also include in the Forward Plan references to such other decisions, which are to be taken by the Council or any of its Committees or Sub-Committee or officers as they consider appropriate. These will be those decisions that are considered to be significant or sufficiently important and/or sensitive so that it is reasonable for a member of the public to expect it to be recorded and published.

All general questions or queries about the contents of this Forward Plan or about the arrangements for taking key decisions should be raised with Ben Smith, Democratic Services.

Please email: democraticservices@northnorthants.gov.uk

August

Subject of the Decision:	Decision Make	Is it a key decision?	Will it contain exempt information? /Reasons for exemption, if any	Consultation undertaken	Anticipated Date of Decision:	Report Author	Support documents (if any)
Housing Land Supply in North Northamptonshire	Executive	Yes	No		5 Aug 2021		
Rough Sleeping Initiative	Executive	Yes	No		5 Aug 2021	Kerry Purnell	
Extension to Shire Lodge Cemetery, Corby	Executive	Yes	No		5 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	
Kettering High Street Heritage Action Zone	Executive	Yes	No		5 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	
Two Form of Entry Primary School- Stanton Cross Sustainable Urban Development	Executive	Yes	No Fully exempt		5 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Children's Services	
Hearndon Court Extra Care	Executive	Yes	No Fully exempt		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Adults, Communities and Wellbeing	
Chester House Estate	Executive	Yes	No Part exempt		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	

School Improvement Works - Montsaye Academy	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Children's Services	
Kettering Leisure Management Service Procurement	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021		
Provision of Annex Site to Isebrook SEND College	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Children's Services	
Lease at Arkwright Road and Baird Road	Executive	Yes	No Part exempt		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	
Development at Stanton Cross - Farm Tenancy	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	
Witter Strategy	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	
North Northamptonshire Council Enforcement Policy	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	
Developer Contributions towards Education Facilities (Technical Update)	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	
Part 2 Local Plan for Corby	Executive	Yes	No		26 Aug 2021	Executive Director - Place and Economy	

September

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Corporate Plan	Executive	Yes	No		15 Jul 2021	Chief Executive	

October

There are currently no reports scheduled for October

November

There are currently no reports scheduled for November

Items to be rescheduled to a future date/Date TBC

Leisure Services - Covid Impacts	Executive	Yes	No			Executive Director - Adults, Communities and Wellbeing	
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Forward List of Items for the Education, Skills and Employment EAP

Decision/Item	Summary of Report	Report Author	Department	Exempt Item	25 Aug 2021	29 Sept 2021	27 Oct 2021	24 Nov 2021
Standing Items								
Forward Plan of Executive Items	External Forward Plan	Ben Smith	Legal and Governance		✓	✓	✓	✓
Forward List of Items for Education, Skills and Employment EAP	Internal EAP Forward Plan of Items and Briefings	Ben Smith	Legal and Governance		✓	✓	✓	✓
Individual Items								
The Corporate Plan	Consideration of the draft Corporate Plan and to make recommendations to the Executive	Guy Holloway	Chief Executive's		✓			
Safeguarding in Schools Guidance Update			Children's Services		✓			
School Improvement Works	School improvement works at Montsaye Academy using Section 106 funding		Chris Wickens		✓			
Provision of annex site to Isebrook SEND College	Provision of an annex site to Isebrook SEND College at the		Chris Wickens		✓			

Decision/Item	Summary of Report	Report Author	Department	Exempt Item	25 Aug 2021	29 Sept 2021	27 Oct 2021	24 Nov 2021
	'Four Seasons' building, Kettering.							
Virtual School Extended Duties			Children's Services			✓		
SEND			Children's Services				✓	
School Effectiveness			Children's Services			✓		
Changes to High needs funding			Children's Services			✓		