Delegated Decision Notice

This form is the written record of a key, significant operational or administrative decision taken by an officer.

Decision type	☐ Key Decision	Significant	☐ Administrative	
		Operational Decision	Decision	
Approximate	☐ Below £500,000	☐ below £25,000	☐ below £25,000	
value	☐ £500,000 to	£25,000 to £100,000	£25,000 to £100,000	
	£1,000,000	∑ £100,000 to £500,000		
	over £1,000,000	Over £500,000		
Director ¹	The Director of Children & Families			
Contact person:	Telephone number:			
	Christine Higgins – SEN Casework Officer		0113 3786889	
Subject ² :	Approval for a placement at an independent special school			
Decision	What decision has been taken?			
details ³ :	(Set out all necessary decisions to be taken by the decision taker including decisions in relation to exempt information, exemption from call in etc.)			
	The Chief Officer, Resources and Strategy approved an educational placement at an independent special school – Keys Group, Liverpool at a cost of £347,253.60. Placement at this young person's current setting and other specialist settings have been considered and due to the environmental requirements and specialist staffing required to meet this young person's special educational needs (SEN), they require a specialist placement. The authority has a statutory duty to make provision for this child who has an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan. It is considered in the public interest that information contained in the business case is exempt from publication as it relates to a vulnerable child or young person within the City and the actions taken are to enable that person to receive their statutory entitlement to a minimum of 25 hours of education. A brief statement of the reasons for the decision (Include any significant financial, procurement, legal or equalities implications, having consulted with Finance, PACS, Legal, HR and Equality colleagues as appropriate)			
	Brief details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the decision maker at the time of making the decision			
	There is no other suitable nearer and available provision following formal consultation across the UK. Request to name in line with Social Care Placement.			

¹ Give title of Director with delegated responsibility for function to which decision relates.

² If the decision is key and has appeared on the list of forthcoming key decisions, the title of the decision should be the same as that used in the list

³ Simply refer to supporting report where used as these matters have been set out in detail.

Affected wards:					
Details of	Executive Member				
consultation					
undertaken ⁴ :	Ward Councillors				
	Others				
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Implementation	Officer accountable, and proposed timescales for implementation				
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List of	Date Added to List:-				
Forthcoming					
Key Decisions⁵	If Special Urgency or General Exception a brief statement of the reason why it is impracticable to delay the decision				
	If Special Urgency Relevant Scrutiny Chair(s) approval				
	Signature		Date		
	O.g. satur				
Publication of	If not published for 5 clear working days prior to decision being taken the				
	reason why not possible:				
report ⁶	Todasii iiriy not possisisi				
	If published late relevant Executive member's approval				
	Signature	11	Date		
	Signature		Date		
Call In	Is the decision available ⁷	Yes	⊠ No		
	for call-in?				
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	If exempt from call-in, the the council or the public:	e reason why call-in would p	orejudice the interests of		

⁴ Include details of any interest disclosed by an elected Member on consultation and the date of any relevant dispensation given.

⁵ See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 2.4 - 2.6. Complete this section for key decisions only

⁶ See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 3.1. Complete this section for key decisions only

⁷ See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 5.1. Significant operational decisions taken by officers are never available for call in. Key decisions are always available for call in unless they have been exempted from call in under rule 5.1.3.

Approval of	Authorised decision maker ⁸		
Decision	Tim Pouncey – Chief Officer, Resources and Strategy		
	Signature	Date	
	TELL	12/9/23	

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⁸ Give the post title and name of the officer with appropriate delegated authority to take the decision.