

RIBA Stage 2 fees associated with the proposed expansion of Broomfield South SILC, Belle Isle

Date: 21st October 2024

Report of: Head of Projects and Programmes, City Development

Report to: Assets & Access Lead

Will the decision be open for call in? Yes No

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

Brief summary

- The purpose of this report is to seek approval to commit to fees totalling **£439,261.69** to carry out RIBA Stage 2 for the proposed expansion of Broomfield South SILC.
- This work will be carried out at risk in parallel with the statutory consultation process to be able to deliver the additional accommodation for September 2027 should the proposal be approved at December's Executive Board.
- The total cost of **£439,261.69** includes all design disciplines, surveys, and contingencies.
- The proposed expansion is from 180 places to 280 and therefore facilitates an increase of 100 pupil places.

Recommendations

- a) The Assets & Access Lead is recommended to approve acceptance of a fee proposal totalling **£439,261.69** from Norfolk Property Services (NPS) to carry out RIBA Stage 2. This is required to be able to deliver the accommodation for the proposed permanent expansion for September 2027 (should the scheme be approved at December's Executive Board).

What is this report about?

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- 4 The proposed expansion is from 180 places to 280, facilitating an increase of 100 pupil places.

What impact will this proposal have?

- 5 The proposed expansion scheme associated with these fees contributes to the Best Council Plan outcomes and supports the vision in the supporting Children and Young People's Plan. The Learning Places Programme seeks to deliver a supply of good quality accessible local school places which can contribute to these outcomes.
- 6 The proposed expansion scheme will be delivered under the City Council's Learning Places Programme and is required to fulfil the Council's statutory responsibility to provide sufficient school places. In providing places close to where the children live, the proposals will improve accessibility of local and desirable school places, reducing any risks of non-attendance.

How does this proposal impact the three pillars of the Best City Ambition?

Health and Wellbeing

Inclusive Growth

Zero Carbon

- 7 The range of teaching and supporting spaces delivered will support the Council's Health and Wellbeing Strategy by supporting students with health and social care needs to live healthy, productive, independent, and dignified lives, and to participate in education, employment, and civic life. A sustainability statement will be included in the planning submission and will address the aspects of the Council's climate change agenda.

What consultation and engagement has taken place?

Wards affected: Middleton Park

Have ward members been consulted?

Yes

No

- 8 The statutory consultation process associated with the proposed expansion of Broomfield South SILC from 180 to 280 pupils is taking place. Following the statutory notice period, a report will be submitted to Executive Board in December seeking final determination of the expansion proposal.
- 9 Early discussions have taken place with the school's Head Teacher and senior leadership team, the Executive Member, Middleton Park Ward Members and the local community. Public consultation sessions continue to take pace, on site at Broomfield South SILC and online. The Executive Member and Ward Members will continue to be briefed throughout the process at key milestones within the programme.

What are the resource implications?

- 10 The report seeks a commitment of **£439,261.69** to progress through RIBA Stage 2.
- 11 The capital investment will be met through scheme number 33471 SIL 000 for Broomfield South SILC expansion works as part of the Learning Places Programme.

What are the key risks and how are they being managed?

- 12 Completion of the work detailed in this report is essential to provide the required accommodation associated with the proposed expansion for September 2027.
- 13 Risk will be managed through application of project management tools and techniques via risk methodology. Project management resource from City Development is tasked with ensuring the project remains within the predetermined risk tolerances.
- 14 A joint risk log has been developed with NPS to ensure all risks for the project are identified together with the relevant owner of the risk. This risk log will continue to be maintained and updated throughout the project and escalation of any risks that sit outside of the agreed tolerances will be managed via the Head of Projects and Programme, City Development.

What are the legal implications?

- 15 There are no legal implications or access information issues arising from this report.

Options, timescales and measuring success

What other options were considered?

- 16 All options have been considered to increase the number of SEND places in south Leeds. The expansion of Broomfield South SILC was considered in 2019. The ever-increasing demand for SEND school places means the expansion on this constrained site is now required.

How will success be measured?

- 17 Success will be measured through the implementation of the RIBA Plan of Work, procurement strategy, award of contract and successful delivery within the project programme.

What is the timetable and who will be responsible for implementation?

- 18 To deliver the additional accommodation associated with the permanent expansion for September 2027, it is necessary to progress through RIBA Stage 2 at risk and in parallel with the statutory consultation process. If the Council waits until the outcome of Executive Board before commencing RIBA Stage 2, it will not be possible to deliver the expansion for September 2027.
- 19 Responsibility for implementation sits with the Head of Projects and Programmes, City Development and the Deputy Director (Learning), Children & Families.

Appendices

- Broomfield South SILC EDCI Screening

Background papers

- None.