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**Report of: The Chief Executive of Education Leeds** 

To: Executive Board

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2009

# Subject: Executive Summary

### MORLEY HIGH SCHOOL - NEW MUSIC BLOCK

#### 1. Purpose

This report seeks approval to proceed with the proposed scheme to provide a new music block at Morley High School at an estimated total cost of £1,000,000.

#### 2. Main Issues and Options

The specialist teaching accommodation at Morley High School for Music is currently located in a block of the school's main building which is in very poor condition. The block cannot be made watertight without major refurbishment, and there are significant areas which create health and safety concerns. These include the ventilation and heating systems as well as electrical installations. In terms of offering good quality teaching accommodation for Music, this block does not provide an adequate option for the future.

The proposal agreed with the school through the option appraisal process is to construct a new purpose designed music block at the school which will impact immediately upon the delivery of the Music curriculum. This block will be designed and delivered by the Local Education Partner (LEP) under its exclusivity clause to deliver the BSF programme.

The purpose of this report is to seek approval to proceed with the proposed scheme to construct a new block, and to seek approval to incur the associated capital expenditure.

### 3. Recommendations

Members of the Executive Board are requested to:

- a) Approve the design proposals in respect of the scheme to provide a new music block at Morley High School at an estimated total cost of £1,000,000;
- b) Authorise expenditure of £800,000 from capital scheme 14861/PH1/MOR.



Agenda Item:

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# **Design & Cost Report**

Scheme Title MORLEY HIGH SCHOOL – NEW MUSIC BLOCK

Capital Scheme Number 14861/PH1/MOR

| Electoral Wards Affected:<br>Morley South | Specific Implications For:                                    |  |
|---|---|--|
|   | Ethnic minorities   |  |
|   | Women   |  |
|   | Disabled people   |  |
| Eligible for Call In                      | Not Eligible for Call In<br>(Details contained in the report) |  |

### 1.00 Purpose of this Report

- 1.01 The purpose of this report is to:
  - a) Seek approval to the design proposals in respect of the scheme to provide a new music block at Morley High School at an estimated total cost of £1,000,000;
  - b) Seek authority to incur expenditure of £800,000 in respect of the above scheme from capital scheme number 14861/PH1/MOR.

### 2.00 Background Information

2.01 The original three storey school building at Morley High School was built in 1907, and the school was subsequently added to through the construction of new blocks in 1968, 1998, and 2003. The music faculty is currently located in a wing off the main school building which is in particularly poor condition. On several occasions this wing

has had to be closed as a result of water ingress and its effect on the electrical installation. This block could not be made watertight without major refurbishment. The other significant elements which have created health and safety concerns include heating and ventilation as well as electrical installations. In terms of being able to offer good quality teaching spaces for Music, this current building does not provide an adequate solution for the future.

- 2.02 Through extended option appraisals and consultation with the school, the recommended solution is to construct a new Music block. This will be purpose designed in consultation with the staff and will provide state of the art accommodation this will impact immediately upon the morale of the staff and pupils, and offer the vehicle to the school to raise attainment.
- 2.03 Education Leeds has engaged the services of the Local Education Partner (LEP) in designing this facility under the exclusivity clause of their contract with the City Council to deliver its Building Schools for the Future programme.

### 3 Design Proposals / Scheme Description

- 3.01 It is proposed that the new freestanding music block be built using traditional construction methods, i.e. structural brick and blockwork walls under a steel pitched roof, have a floor area of approximately 390m<sup>2</sup>. The total estimated cost of the scheme is £1,000,000.
- 3.02 The new Music block will consist of:
  - 2 music classrooms;
  - 1 recital room with recording room attached;
  - 6 practice rooms;
  - A departmental office;
  - 2 stores, a unisex/accessible toilet and circulation.

#### 4 Consultations

4.01 This scheme has been the subject of consultations with Education Leeds, the school and the governing body. The scheme proposals have been approved by the Education Leeds Capital Projects Board.

### 5 Programme

5.01 The strategic programme for the proposed scheme is as follows:

Stage 2Submission of Contractor's proposals 15 May 2009Start on Site13 July 2009Practical Completion22 January 2010

### 6 Implications for Council Policy and Governance

6.01 These works will contribute to the following themes outlined in the Vision for Leeds 2004-2020.

Cultural Life:

To enhance and increase cultural opportunities for everyone. To develop talent.

Enterprise and the Economy

To contribute to the development of a future healthy skilled workforce.

Environment City

Provide a better quality environment for our children.

## Harmonious Communities

Contribute to tackling social, economic and environmental discrimination and inequality. To make sure that children and young people have a healthy start to life.

## Health and Wellbeing

Contributing to the protection of people's health and support people to stay healthy. Learning:

Contribute to the development of equal educational achievement between different ethnic and social groups.

Improving numeracy, literacy and levels of achievement by young people throughout the city.

Make sure that strong and effective schools are at the heart of communities. Promote lifelong learning to encourage economic success, achieve personal satisfaction and promote unity in communities.

### Thriving Places

Actively involve the community. Improve public services in all neighbourhoods Regenerate and restore confidence in every part of the city.

## 7 Scheme Design Estimate

7.01 The design and construction of these works will comprise construction costs estimated in the sum of £790,000, and design costs in the sum of £210,000.

| Previous total Authority | TOTAL  | TO MARCH | FORECAST |         |         |         |         |
|--------------------------|--------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| to Spend on this scheme  |        | 2008     | 2008/09  | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012 on |
|                          | £000's | £000's   | £000's   | £000's  | £000's  | £000's  | £000's  |
| LAND (1)                 | 0.0    |          |          |         |         |         |         |
| CONSTRUCTION (3)         | 200.0  |          |          | 200.0   |         |         |         |
| FURN & EQPT (5)          | 0.0    |          |          |         |         |         |         |
| DESIGN FEES (6)          | 0.0    |          |          |         |         |         |         |
| OTHER COSTS (7)          | 0.0    |          |          |         |         |         |         |
| TOTALS                   | 200.0  | 0.0      | 0.0      | 200.0   | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |

| Authority to Spend         | TOTAL  | TO MARCH | ARCH FORECAST |         |         |         |         |  |
|----------------------------|--------|----------|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| required for this Approval |        | 2008     | 2008/09       | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012 on |  |
|                            | £000's | £000's   | £000's        | £000's  | £000's  | £000's  | £000's  |  |
| LAND (1)                   | 0.0    |          |               |         |         |         |         |  |
| CONSTRUCTION (3)           | 590.0  |          | 0.0           | 570.0   | 20.0    |         |         |  |
| FURN & EQPT (5)            | 0.0    |          |               |         |         |         |         |  |
| DESIGN FEES (6)            | 210.0  |          | 0.0           | 205.0   | 5.0     |         |         |  |
| OTHER COSTS (7)            | 0.0    |          |               |         |         |         |         |  |
| TOTALS                     | 800.0  | 0.0      | 0.0           | 775.0   | 25.0    | 0.0     | 0.0     |  |

| Total overall Funding    | TOTAL   | TO MARCH | FORECAST |         |         |         |         |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| (As per latest Capital   |         | 2008     | 2008/09  | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012 on |
| Programme)               | £000's  | £000's   | £000's   | £000's  | £000's  | £000's  | £000's  |
| Modernisation 08/09 SceR | -800.0  |          | 0.0      | -800.0  |         |         |         |
| School Devolved Capital  | -200.0  |          | 0.0      | -175.0  | -25.0   |         |         |
| Total Funding            | -1000.0 | 0.0      | 0.0      | -975.0  | -25.0   | 0.0     | 0.0     |
| Balance / Shortfall =    | 0.0     | 0.0      | 0.0      | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |

Parent Scheme Number : 14681/000/000 Title : Morley High School – New Music Block

8.02 Authority to expend £200,000 of Devolved Capital grant has previously been approved. Therefore this report seeks approval to incur expenditure in the sum of £800,000.

### 9 **Revenue Effects**

9.01 Any additional revenue costs arising from the proposed scheme will be managed within the school budget share.

#### 10 Risk Assessments

10.01 Operational risks will be addressed by effective use of CDM regulations, close supervision with the contractors and continual liaison with the school.

### 11 Recommendations

- 11.01 The Executive Board is requested to:
  - Approve the design proposals in respect of the scheme to construct a new music teaching block at Morley High School at an estimated total cost of £1,000,000;
  - b) Authorise expenditure of £800,000 from capital scheme 14861/PH1/MOR.

### 12 Background Papers

- 12.01 The background papers referred to in this report are as follows;
  - i. Vision for Leeds 2004-2020