

EXECUTIVE BOARD - WEDNESDAY, 7TH MARCH, 2012

PRESENT:

Councillor K Wakefield in the Chair
Councillors J Blake, A Carter, M Dobson,
R Finnigan, S Golton, P Gruen, R Lewis,
A Ogilvie and L Yeadon

Minute 224

Basic Need 2012: Carr Manor and Roundhay: All Through Schools Revised Costs

Further to Minute No 107, 12th October 2011, the Director of Children's Services submitted a report outlining the reasons behind the increase in costs in relation to both the Carr Manor and Roundhay projects, identifying the additional funding, and seeking approval to the increased expenditure on both projects in order to deliver 90 pupil places in 2012.

Responding to Members' comments and concerns, assurances were received that a more co-ordinated approach would be taken between directorates when delivering such developments in the future. **It was acknowledged that this matter was not subject to Call In, due to the need to ensure that the accommodation was in place for September 2012, however, it was requested that this matter was referred to the relevant Scrutiny Board, so that the related processes could be reviewed.**

In conclusion, the Chair acknowledged the request for the matter to be referred to Scrutiny and in addition, also requested that a report was submitted to a future meeting of Executive Board in order to provide details of the lessons which had been learned as a result of this issue and any changes to procedure which had been implemented.

RESOLVED -

(a) That £655,000 of secured grant funding be transferred from scheme 14185/000/000 and that additional expenditure of £655,000 in respect of the Carr Manor project be authorised in order to allow the scheme to progress to a formal order to the supplier and to allow 30 places to be delivered for 2012.

(b) That £2,775,000 of secured grant funding be transferred from schemes 14185/000/000 and 16404/000/000 and that additional expenditure of £2,775,000 in respect of the Roundhay project be authorised, in order to allow the scheme to progress to a formal order to the supplier and to allow 60 places to be delivered for 2012.

(c) That the processes relating to this specific case be referred to the relevant Scrutiny Board for review.

(d) That a further report be submitted to a future meeting of Executive Board in order to provide details of the lessons which have been learned as a result of this issue and any changes to procedure which have been implemented.

(The matters referred to within this minute were not eligible for Call In, due to the urgency with which the formal order must be placed if the accommodation is to be delivered for 2012)