THE "CALL IN" PERIOD FOR THIS SET OF MINUTES ENDS AT 12 NOON ON TUESDAY, 11 MAY 2010. MINUTE NOS. 143, 144 AND 145 ARE NOT SUBJECT TO "CALL-IN"

CABINET MEMBER - CHILDREN'S SERVICES

MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, BOOTLE ON TUESDAY 4 MAY 2010

PRESENT: Councillor P. Dowd

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Howe

140. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M. Fearn and Platt and Mr. R. Gregson, Sefton Governors Forum.

141. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declaration of interest was received:

Member	Minute	Reason	Action
Councillor Howe	143 - Specialist Schools Redesignation Capital Grant - Maghull High School	Personal - He is Chair of the Governors of Maghull High School	Stayed in the room but took no part in the consideration of the item.

142. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 April 2010 be confirmed as a correct record.

143. SPECIALIST SCHOOLS REDESIGNATION CAPITAL GRANT: MAGHULL HIGH SCHOOL

The Cabinet Member considered the report of the Strategic Director - Children, Schools and Families seeking approval of expenditure relating to Specialist Schools Redesignation Capital Grant at Maghull High School.

The report indicated that the school proposed to install tiered seating in the Arts Theatre at a cost of £35,000 and the Redesignation Specialist Schools Grant of £25,000 would be supplemented by £10,000 from the school's Devolved Formula Capital Grant. The seating would create greater capacity within the Arts Theatre and would provide a more adaptable performance area.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the scheme at Maghull High School funded by Specialist Schools Redesignation Capital Grant be approved; and
- (2) Cabinet be recommended to include the proposed expenditure in the Children, Schools and Families Capital Programme 2010/11.

144. AIMING HIGH FOR DISABLED CHILDREN: ADDITIONAL SCHEMES

The Cabinet Member considered the report of the Strategic Director - Children, Schools and Families seeking approval of schemes to be funded from the Aiming High for Disabled Children Capital Allocation.

The report indicated that it was proposed to expend £60,000 to enable adaptations to be made to the newly constructed Crosby Lakeside Adventure Centre to allow the flexibility required to provide short breaks for families with disabled children; these changes would include the provision of a children's lounge and youth activity area, ceiling tracking in some of the bedrooms and specialist changing beds; and that it was proposed to use a further £20,000 to purchase small capital items such as changing beds and hoists for existing facilities and services, such as Sefton Leisure Centres, to make them more widely accessible to the target families.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the scheme at the Crosby Lakeside Adventure Centre and the purchase of small capital items be approved; and
- (2) Cabinet be recommended to include the proposed expenditure in the Children, Schools and Families Capital Programme 2010/11.

145. SEFTON CITY LEARNING CENTRES : CAPITAL REDEVELOPMENT FUNDING

The Cabinet Member considered the report of the Strategic Director - Children, Schools and Families seeking approval for the proposed schemes at the South and North Sefton City Learning Centres (CLCs) based at Savio Salesian College and Ainsdale Hope C.E. High School respectively.

The report indicated that Sefton had been allocated a Capital Redevelopment Grant of £300,000 to allow for the continued development of the two CLCs; and paragraph 2 of the report detailed the proposed capital purchases that would be shared between the two centres to support the delivery of Children, Schools and Families priorities.

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RESOLVED: That

- (1) the schemes as detailed in paragraph 2 of the report at the two Sefton City Learning Centres, to be funded entirely from specific resources, be approved; and
- (2) Cabinet be recommended to include the proposed expenditure in the Children's Schools and Families Capital Programme 2010/11.