

**REPORT TO:** Cabinet Member – Children’s Services

**DATE:** 26<sup>th</sup> October 2010

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Extension and Alterations for Nursery at Summerhill Primary School, Maghull

**WARDS AFFECTED:** Sudell

**REPORT OF:** Peter Moore  
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**EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL:** No

**PURPOSE/SUMMARY:**  
This report is to advise Members of tenders received in respect of the proposals to provide new nursery accommodation at Summerhill Primary School, Maghull as part of the Early Years and Childcare Grant and Extended Schools programme.

**REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:**  
To enable acceptance of tenders and to thereby allow the timetable for implementation and expenditure to be met.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**  
It is recommended that:

- i) The Cabinet Member for Children’s Services approves acceptance of the lowest tender received.
- ii) Subject to (i) above the Legal Director be requested to enter into a formal contract with the successful tenderer.
- iii) The Cabinet Member is requested to note that the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Children’s Services) has been requested to consent, under Rule 17 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules, to the call-in period being waived in respect of this matter.

**KEY DECISION:** No

**FORWARD PLAN:** Not Appropriate

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** Subject to the agreement to waive call in, Immediately following this meeting.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

All alternative options have been considered and have been discounted.

**IMPLICATIONS:**

**Budget/Policy Framework:** Funding totalling £350,000 is included in Children's Services Capital Programme to address the proposals at Summerhill Primary School. This funding is provided through the Early Years and Childcare Grant: Quality and access (£220,000), the Extended Schools Programme (£17,019) and the Modernisation Programme (£112,981).

**Financial** Tenders for the works will be received at 12.00 noon on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2010. Details of the tenders received and the overall financial implications will be reported to Members on the day of the meeting.

<b><u>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</u></b>	<b>2010/ 2011 £</b>	<b>2011/ 2012 £</b>	<b>2012/ 2013 £</b>	<b>2013/ 2014 £</b>
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
<b><u>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</u></b>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	N/A			
How will the service be funded post expiry?	N/A			

**Legal:** Not appropriate

**Risk Assessment:** Not appropriate

**Asset Management:** Not Applicable

#### **CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS**

The Children's Services Department have been consulted and any comments have been taken into account in preparing this report.

FD 530 - The Interim Head of Corporate Finance & Information Services has been consulted and his comments have been incorporated into this report

#### **CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:**

<b><u>Corporate Objective</u></b>		<b><u>Positive Impact</u></b>	<b><u>Neutral Impact</u></b>	<b><u>Negative Impact</u></b>
1	Creating a Learning Community	√		
2	Creating Safe Communities	√		
3	Jobs and Prosperity	√		
4	Improving Health and Well-Being	√		
5	Environmental Sustainability	√		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities	√		
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy	√		
8	Children and Young People	√		

#### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT**

Report to Cabinet 2 September 2010: Capital Programme Review  
Report to Cabinet 10 June 2010: Sure Start Early Years and Childcare Grant/Extended Schools Capital Allocation  
Children's Services Capital Programme

## **1.0 BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 Little Acorns is an independent nursery housed in a classroom at Summerhill Primary School.
- 1.2 The Authority and the school are keen to retain the nursery on the school site but as the nursery classroom can only be accessed by crossing the school playground there are safeguarding issues that the school needs to address.
- 1.3 The school would also like to regain the classroom in order to develop a new staffroom and provide separate offices for the Headteacher and school secretary.
- 1.4 It is therefore proposed that a self-contained nursery unit is constructed within the school site consisting of a large nursery room, pupil and staff toilets, small office/staff area, storage and a dedicated play area. The facility will also be used for holiday club activities.
- 1.5 The proposed scheme was approved by Cabinet on 10 June 2010 and Cabinet confirmed on 2 September 2010 that the proposal could be progressed following the review of the capital programme.

## **2.0 TENDER ACTION**

- 2.1 Tenders to carry out the works have been invited from suitably qualified and experienced contractors, as follows (in alphabetical order):

J. Armor	Melling
D. Henderson and Son	Southport
E.J.Horrocks	Prescot
Lyjon Construction	Ellesmere Port
Mellwood Construction	Huyton
Triangle Builders	Bootle

- 2.2 Tenders will be received at 12.00 noon on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2010. Details of the tenders received will be reported on the day of the meeting.
- 2.3 The tenders will be subject to technical and arithmetical checking and acceptance of the lowest tender will be subject to such checking.

## **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 Funding totalling £350,000 is included in Children's Services Capital Programme to address the proposals at Summerhill Primary School. This

funding is provided through the Early Years and Childcare Grant: Quality and access (£220,000), the Extended Schools Programme (£17,019) and the Modernisation Programme (£112,981).

- 3.2 The total financial implications of the scheme will be established following receipt of the tenders and will be reported on the day of the meeting.
- 3.3 Subject to the total scheme cost not exceeding the funding available the Cabinet Member for Children's Services is requested to give consideration to accepting the lowest tender received.

#### **4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

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