

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Education and Skills
Date:	18 March 2020
Title:	Grange Junior School, Gosport
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The Decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Education and Skills, grants spend approval to the project proposals for Grange Junior School at the total cost of £7,924,000.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 The project comprises a new Junior School building to replace the existing school structure originally built in 1963. The timber frame of the existing building is nearing the end of its useful life and it is proposed to replace the existing building in its entirety. This is the only feasible option given the condition of the structure. It will have a significant benefit to the school in providing a new high-quality environment for teaching and learning.
- 2.2 Grange Junior School currently provides education for up to 360 children (3 forms of entry) aged between 7 and 10 years old. A review of pupil forecasts has been undertaken and it is planned that the school reduce its capacity to 300 places 2.5fe from September 2021. The replacement building takes account of this reduction in capacity.
- 2.3 The project is included in the Children Services Capital Programme, approved at the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young People Decision Day on 10 January 2020, with a budget of £7,924,000.
- 2.4 A Planning application is to be submitted in April 2020.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 None

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1 Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

4.2 Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: None

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: Not applicable

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

**Councillor Roz Chadd
Executive Member for Education and Skills**

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