STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting30th August 2007

1. <u>Title of Item/Report</u>

Proposed Closure of Roseworth and Redbrook Primary Schools -Establishment of a temporary Governing Body for the new Primary School

2. Record of the Decision

Members considered a report that detailed the need to establish a temporary school governing body for the proposed new primary school in Roseworth.

It was noted that on 5 January and 20 April 2006 Members considered reports on proposals to cease to maintain Redbrook Primary School and Roseworth Primary School and to establish a new primary school on the Roseworth site on 1 September 2008.

No objections had been received in response to the Statutory Notice published on 2 May 2006, and the proposal was approved on 28 July 2006 under delegated powers by the Corporate Director for Children, Education and Social Care and the Lead Cabinet Member for Children and Young People (decision number 739). It was explained that as a result there was the need to establish a temporary governing body to oversee the opening of the new school.

The temporary governing body would have a total membership of 15, comprising of 6 Parent, 3 Staff, 3 LA and 3 Community Governorships.

The Local Authority shall appoint the LA and Community Governors. The LA appointments were to be dealt with in accordance with the procedure for the appointment of school governors approved as Minute 84 of the Cabinet (11 May 2000).

It was proposed that Mr N Anderson, Mrs J Shave and Mrs D Crinson who were all currently or had previously served as Governors on either Roseworth or Redbrook School Governing Bodies would fill the community governorships.

Members were advised that where a temporary governing body was

established due to the closure of two existing schools, the local authority must allow some or all of the temporary Parent and Staff Governors to be appointed by the outgoing governing bodies of the schools that were to close.

It was therefore proposed that all of the parent and two of the staff governorships be filled by the outgoing governing bodies and the remaining staff governorship be reserved for the Headteacher designate.

It was explained that, if for whatever reasons, any of the appointments were subsequently declined; there would be a need to ensure that the resulting vacancies were filled as soon as possible. It was, therefore, proposed that delegated authority be given to the Cabinet Member and Corporate Director accordingly.

RESOLVED that

- 1. a temporary governing body with a total membership of 15 governorships be established.
- 2. the two outgoing Governing Bodies of Roseworth and Redbrook schools be empowered to appoint six parent and two Staff governors between themselves.
- 3. Members appoint Mr N Anderson, Mrs J Shave and Mrs D Crinson to the temporary Governing Body as Community Governors.
- 4. authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member and Corporate Director for Children, Education and Social Care to appoint to any vacancies arising from declined appointments.

3. Reasons for the Decision

Under the terms of Section 34 of the Education Act 2002 and in line with the requirements of the School Governance (New Schools) (England) Regulations 2007, local authorities must establish a temporary governing body where a new school is to be established which the authority intends to maintain.

4. <u>Alternative Options Considered and Rejected</u>

None

5. <u>Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest</u>

None

6. <u>Details of any Dispensations</u>

Not applicable

7. <u>Date and Time by which Call In must be executed</u>

Not later than Midnight on Friday 7th September 2007

Proper Officer 03 April 2007