

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting8th September 2011

1. Title of Item/Report

Procurement of a Design and Build Contractor and an ICT Provider to Deliver North Shore Health Academy and Other Batched Projects

2. Record of the Decision

It was explained that the Council had been approached by Partnerships for Schools (PfS) as part of the Government's National Academies programme to provide developments for and on behalf of Academies sponsors, NHS Stockton and University of Teesside. The programme comprised of three projects; these were firstly North Shore Health Academy followed by Thornaby Academy and Freebrough Academy, the latter being in Redcar and Cleveland BC.

Funding allocations from DfE was £13.4m to North Shore Health Academy (NSHA), £5.5m to Thornaby and £2.8m to Freeborough. To develop NSHA it was intended to provide a new build Academy facility on the former Tilery Sports Centre site. The development of Thornaby Academy would be through a remodelling of the existing buildings currently occupied by that Academy.

Members were informed that PfS had suggested that the projects sponsored by Teesside University (Thornaby and Freeborough) should be delivered as a batched project by this Council.

It was explained that the Myplace project would be located in the same building as North Shore Health Academy, this would provide many advantages to myplace and academy users and draw in a further £4.4 million to the project.

This procurement will be structured to enable the Authority to request the appointed Design & Build contractor to engage in additional 'follow on' contracts. The programme also required the procurement of an ICT Provider that would then have the opportunity to provide ICT hardware for each of the Academies.

RESOLVED that:-

1. delegated powers be given to the Head of Technical Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People to procure a Design & Build Framework Contractor for the construction of the batched Academy programme.

2. delegated powers be given to the Head of Technical Services in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People to procure an ICT Services framework provider that will supply the Academy facilities.

3. Reasons for the Decision

The government's funding allocations for the development of these Academies require that the processes of procurement and construction are carried out to a very tight prescribed timetable. It is recommended that stage approvals are determined through delegated powers as indicated above. Full details and timetable are indicated within this document.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

Not applicable

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on Friday 16 September 2011

Proper Officer
12 September 2011