

# Building Schools for the Future Project Board Meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009 15:00 to 16:30

Municipal Buildings, Conference Room 2

<b>Glossary of Terms</b>			
EOI	Expression of Interest	PFS	Partnerships for Schools
BSF	Building Schools for the Future	OBC	Outline Business Case
RAG	Risk Matrix indicating Red, Amber or Green	LEP	Local Education Partnership
DCSF	Department for Children, Schools and Families	PPQ	Pre-qualification Questionnaire
OJEU	Official Journal of the European Union	LSC	Learning and Skills Council

## **Attendees**

Neil Schneider (Chair)	Chief Executive	Alex Cunningham	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
David Youldon	Head Teacher Northfield School and Sports College	Val Goodrum	LSC Partnership Director
Julie Danks	Corporate Director of Resources	Tony Beckwith	Head of Support Services
Jane Humphreys	Corporate Director of Children, Education and Social Care	Lionel Danby	BSF Project Director
Peter Hodge	PfS Project Director	Richard Pratt	BSF Project Manager
Paul Dobson	Corporate Director of Development and Neighbourhood Services	David Bond	Director of Law & Democracy
Tracey Brown (Minutes)	PA to the BSF Team		

## **Circulation: as above plus**

John Hegarty

			<b>Action</b>
<b>1</b>		<b>Apologies</b>	
	<b>1.1</b>	Received from Julia Morrison and Richard Poundford.	<b>Note</b>
<b>2</b>		<b>Minutes (6<sup>th</sup> July 09)</b>	
	<b>2.1</b>	Accepted.	<b>Note</b>
<b>3</b>		<b>Matters Arising from minutes</b>	
	<b>3.1</b>	Results and comments from the Bidders Day evaluation forms were tabled. Predominantly very positive, all agreed it had been a very successful day.	
	<b>3.2</b>	Having been advised their project is not to be funded by LSC, Stockton Sixth Form College is seeking to finance their building work from outside of the capital projects budget.	<b>Note</b>
	<b>3.3</b>	Low attendance was reported from recent Members Seminars. Board members agreed that whilst the seminars have been useful, officers would review the schedule for future sessions.	<b>LD/KW</b>
<b>4</b>		<b>Updates</b>	
	<b>4.1</b>	<u>Academies</u> Both EOI's have been submitted for DCSF Operations Board approval.	<b>Note</b>

<b>4.2</b>	<b><u>Reports scheduled for Cabinet</u></b> a) A report scoping proposed LEP services will go to Cabinet on 3 <sup>rd</sup> September. b) A report requesting further feasibility work for schools in the south of the borough will go to Cabinet on 3 <sup>rd</sup> September. c) A report regarding predecessor schools closure prior to replacement with Academies will go to Cabinet on 29 <sup>th</sup> October.	<b>Note</b>
<b>4.3</b>	<b><u>OBC</u></b> a) A request to include the remaining 5 schools (St Michaels, St Patricks, All Saints, Conyers and Egglescliffe) into wave 6 has been submitted to DCSF. Formal response is pending. If approved, the additional work required could delay OBC submission by up to 4 weeks. b) Updated OBC timetable was tabled. The intention is to submit a soft submission to PFS to allow them to feedback any necessary comments in advance of the formal submission. The OBC report is due to go to Cabinet on 1 <sup>st</sup> October. c) The PPQ and evaluation process documentation are the next steps and will be discussed at the next Board meeting.	<b>Note</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Risk Register /RAG Report (tabled)</b>	
<b>5.1</b>	The report remains 'amber'.	
<b>5.2</b>	Gateway 1 is timetabled for late August.	<b>JS</b>
<b>5.3</b>	The affordability gap remains under constant review.	
<b>5.4</b>	Commitment letters have been received from all schools.	
<b>5.5</b>	Residual risk has diminished, which is to be expected.	
<b>6</b>	<b>Primary Capital Programme</b>	
<b>6.1</b>	a) Year one projects are progressing to schedule. b) Consultation is ongoing regarding the merger of Bewley Infant and Junior schools. c) The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle has commissioned a review of Catholic primary provision in Billingham. d) The removal of mobiles from Whinstone School in Ingleby Barwick is progressing.	<b>JH</b> <b>JM/TB</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Any other business</b>	
<b>7.1</b>	PH explained that the Treasury are looking for at least two committed bidders to have expressed interest, with Board level approval, before PFS can approve publication of the OJEU notice.	<b>Note</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Next meeting</b>	
<b>8.1</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> September 2009 15:00 to 16:30 Municipal Buildings, Conference Room 2</b>	<b>Note</b>