

**Procurement exercise for the construction of new primary schools:  
on land to the east of Manse Farm, Knaresborough, and;  
on land to the east of the A167 Darlington Road, Northallerton**

**REPORT TO;** The Corporate Director's meeting with Executive Members, Children and Young People's Service.

**DECISION DATE:** 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020.

**SUPPORTING ANNEX;** This report includes a supporting Annex which contains exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION**

To undertake a procurement exercise for the construction of new primary schools on land to the east of Manse Farm, Knaresborough, and on land to the east of the A167 Darlington Road, Northallerton Knaresborough and Northallerton.

**BACKGROUND TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION**

Both schemes form part of the Children and Young People's Service Basic Need (BN) programme and will be funded from a combination of BN funding allocated by the DfE and developer contributions. These were subject to reports to The Executive in 2014, 2016 and most recently 2018. The two schools will provide the following:

Manse Farm, Knaresborough

The proposed construction will deliver teaching accommodation in a 2 Storey block for 210 pupils plus a 26 place School Nursery.

North Northallerton

The proposed school construction will deliver teaching accommodation in a 1 Storey block for 210 pupils.

The procurement process is programmed to begin in September 2020. The work will commence at both sites in May 2021, with completion in June 2022, in readiness for a September 2022 opening.

Both Schools will become Academies on completion, and the process for appointing the Academy Trusts will be via the presumption route. It is expected that a separate report on the process to secure an Academy Sponsor for both schools (the Presumption Route process) will be considered by CYPS Executive Members at their meeting with the Corporate Director on 15 September 2020.

## **LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE COMPLIANCE**

The procurement exercise will be undertaken by the Council's Procurement and Contract Management Service via a two stage restricted tender process. Both schemes will be subject to the publication of OJEU notices.

This is a key decision. The proposal to procure was entered on the forward plan in May 2020 and dates updated in August 2020.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the procurement for the construction of new primary schools on land to the east of Manse Farm, Knaresborough, and on land to the east of the A167 Darlington Road, Northallerton be approved.