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Dear John,

Cabinet Decision S12/01 - Hatters Lane School

I have written to the Head of Cabinet support to object to the above proposal. As it is a decision that falls within the purview of your Select Committee I would ask you to consider calling in the proposal for scrutiny.

The reasons for my objection include:

1. The proposed school is insufficiently different from the current provision and does not tackle the underlying problems.
2. There is no requirement to provide 6<sup>th</sup> form education on that site.
3. The proposed capital build does not address the needs of the school, such as up grading the science and other teaching facilities.
4. There is no evidence that other options have been pursued such as the out sourcing of provision, specialist status, or other alternatives to address the weaknesses identified in the OFSTED report.

It is fair to say that the proposal as it presently stands amounts to little more than closing the currently school and re-opening it with a new name and new front door costing £3 millions. I for one am not convinced that the proposed expenditure will be money well spent or that we will not see the cycle of decline at the school continue in the future.

I am not convinced that the case has been adequately made that the proposal is the correct solution or that the alternatives have been aired in public. For that reason I would like your committee to examine the proposal in more detail on the Council's behalf.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



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*Dear Nick,*

**Cabinet Decision S12/01**

I wish to object to the proposal to determine the statutory notices in respect of Hatters Lane School. I have written separately to Mr Page, Chairman of the Lifelong Learning Select Committee setting out my reasons and inviting him to call in the proposal for scrutiny.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

**Mark Greenburgh**