



School Organisation Committee

AGENDA ITEM 11

Title: Determination of statutory notice at Sir William Ramsay
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Electoral Divisions Affected: Tylers Green – Betty Lay

Summary

A statutory notice was published on 18 November 2003 proposing to make a prescribed alteration to Sir William Ramsay School from 1 September 2004 by providing a 10 place Hearing Impaired Unit. These 10 places are in addition to the admission number of 165.

No objections were received for this proposal but due to an administrative error it is now just outside the time limit for the Cabinet Member to determine. Therefore the Committee is asked to determine the statutory notice. This unit will improve the provision made for children in Buckinghamshire who have a hearing impairment.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to determine the statutory notice published on 18 November, 2003 for a 10 place Hearing Impaired Unit at Sir William Ramsay from September 2004.

Resource implications

The need for this unit has been identified, because Hearing Impaired pupils are currently placed out of county. After the initial set up costs, it is anticipated that the revenue costs for this unit will be met from the savings made by placing pupils within this unit, instead of in out-county placements.

Legal implications

The Head of Legal Services has advised that under Schedule 6 paragraph 4 (2) to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 there was a requirement for the statutory notice to have been determined by the LEA within 4 months of the date of publication. As we are now outside this time limit, the proposal requires the approval of School Organisation Committee.

Other implications/issues

None

Feedback from consultation and Local Member views (if relevant)

The school and governors are strongly supportive of this Hearing Impaired Unit

Background Papers

Statutory Notice published 18/11/03

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