

APPENDIX Q

SCHOOL BY SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS

The following detail sets out the proposals of 3 June 2008 Cabinet, comment upon the proposal from the formal consultation and recommendation for decision in respect of each individual school.

Newport Area

Arreton CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Hard federation with another Church of England Primary School. Single leadership and governance of the Federation with the school enlarging to the 4-11 age range and using the Arreton site.

Comment:

Significant representation had been made around the school staying open during the January to March consultation. The Current governing body are actively seeking a hard federation with Oakfield CE VA Primary School. This action is supported by the Diocese and wider school community. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal subject to the achievement of a hard federation by June 2009. If a hard federation is not achieved a statutory notice for the closure of Arreton CE VC Primary will be published.

Barton Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Carisbrooke CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school. Eventually move to the old Trinity CE VA Middle School site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Chillerton and Rookley Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with Godshill and Wroxall Primary Schools. The new school to be established initially using the three sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will utilise a new build at Godshill and the Wroxall site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Some representation has been received over the importance of maintaining the use of the Chillerton and Rookley site prior to the new Godshill build. This is now recognised in the recommendation.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal maintaining the Chillerton and Rookley site until the completion of the new Godshill build.

Hunnyhill Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school. Move to the Kitbridge Middle School site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Newport CE VA Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Nine Acres Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

St. Thomas of Canterbury RC VA Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site. Maintain the existing hard federation with St. Mary's RC VA Primary School.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Summerfields Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Nodehill Middle School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The school governors have commented on the way in which the school can support transition to the new system of school organisation.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Downside Middle School (Downside Campus)

Proposal:

Closure. Initial use of the site as part of the new Medina secondary. Long term replacement of the current school with a new 4-11 primary, subject to the Pan housing regeneration development.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The school governors have commented on the way in which the school can support transition to the new system of school organisation. There has been community comment over the importance of sustaining a school within the community and not allowing the building to become empty. This representation is effectively met in the proposal.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Downside Middle School (Kitbridge Campus)

Proposal:

Closure. Use of the site for the enlarged Hunnyhill Primary School.

Comment:

No significant representation received for or against the proposal.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Carisbrooke High School

Proposal:

Closure. Establish a new school on the existing site which will be let by competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. However, significant representation has been received from the school staff and governors in respect of the school's current specialist status.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Medina High School

Proposal:

Closure. Establish a new school on the existing site which will be let by competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. No significant representation has been received against the proposal. The school is currently seeking Foundation status and it is its intention to form a Trust which will bid for the new school within the competition.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Cowes Area

Cowes Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Comment has been received about the long term development of the school to two form entry. This representation is appropriately met within the current proposal.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Gurnard Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school. Move to the Solent Middle School site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Comment has been received about the size of the school and both the governors and community have expressed a desire for establishment at two form entry. The Solent site will allow this increase in size and Gurnard is currently a popular and high performing school. If the school were to be over-subscribed the requirements of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 would put a duty upon the Local Authority to support the school's growth.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal. Allow initial establishment at two form entry with review after three years.

Love Lane Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing and Somerton Middle School sites.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Northwood Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Comment has been received about the long term development of the school site. This representation is appropriately met within the detail of Appendix E and must be fully covered in the published statutory notice for the school.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Solent Middle School

Proposal:

Closure. Use of the site for the enlarged Gurnard Primary School.

Comment:

Significant representation received against the proposal to move from primary, middle and high to primary and secondary from the school staff and governors. The response to this representation is dealt with in Appendices C and J covering the

rationale and public support for a primary and secondary system and the systemic issues in respect of children's achievement within the current system.

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

Somerton Middle School

Proposal:

Closure. Use of the site for the enlarged Love Lane Primary School.

Comment:

No significant representation received for or against the proposal.

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

Cowes High School

Proposal:

Closure. Establish a new school on the existing site which will be let by competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. No significant representation has been received against the proposal. It is the community intention that a Trust will be formed to bid for the new school within the competition.

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

East Cowes Area

East Cowes Primary

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with Whippingham Primary School. The new school to be established on the Osborne site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system and the establishment of a new school on the Osborne Middle site. However, they have raised representation that this should be achieved through the enlargement of East Cowes Primary School not the route of closure and amalgamation. They make the point that East Cowes Primary school has a good performance record and a good OFSTED inspection judgement. Concern is raised that if a waiver is not granted for the establishment of the new school then competition may take the school out of the immediate control of the local community.

Option 1

Approve the proposal. This will take no account of a significant view from East Cowes Primary and Osborne Middle Schools.

Option 2

Approve establishing the school by enlargement. Although this would support the view of East Cowes Primary and Osborne Middle Schools it would not be supported by Whippingham Primary School.

Option 3

Approve the proposal but review the position dependent upon the granting or not of a waiver to competition.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal subject to the granting of a waiver to competition. That the Director for Children and Young People be authorised (in consultation with the Leader) to review the decision if a waiver to competition is not granted and make a delegated decision to go to competition or to enlargement to achieve the new school.

Holy Cross RC VA Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school either by using the existing site or by an agreed move to the Whippingham Primary site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Final decision on the use of either the existing Holy Cross site or the Whippingham site is dependent upon other decisions within these proposals.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal. Authorise officers to finalise agreement over the school's eventual site with the Roman Catholic Diocesan Authority. That the Director for Children and Young People be authorised (in consultation with the Leader), subject to delegated decision, to approve any lease of title in respect of the Whippingham site.

Whippingham Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with East Cowes Primary School. The new school to be established on the Osborne site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system however, representation has been received against the closure of Whippingham Primary School. The response to this representation is given in Appendices J and K. The representation has not addressed the long term viability of the school within the proposal of a minimum one form entry and the need to reduce capacity in primary places. East Cowes Primary school have raised significant representation that this should be achieved through the enlargement of East Cowes Primary School not the route of closure and amalgamation. They make the point that East Cowes Primary school has a good performance record and a good OFSTED inspection judgement. Concern is raised that if a waiver is not granted for the

establishment of the new school then competition may take the school out of the immediate control of the local community.

Option 1

Approve the proposal. This will take no account of a significant view from East Cowes Primary and Osborne Middle Schools.

Option 2

Approve establishing the school by enlargement. Although this would support the view of East Cowes Primary and Osborne Middle Schools it would not be supported by Whippingham Primary School.

Option 3

Approve the proposal but review the position dependent upon the granting or not of a waiver to competition.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal subject to the granting of a waiver to competition. That the Director for Children and Young People be authorised (in consultation with the Leader) to review the decision if a waiver to competition is not granted and make a delegated decision to go to competition or to enlargement to achieve the new school.

Osborne Middle School

Proposal:

Closure. Use of the Osborne site for the establishment of the new primary school which is achieved through the amalgamation of East Cowes Primary School with Whippingham Primary School.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to establish a new school on the Osborne Middle site. However, they have raised representation that this should be achieved through the enlargement of East Cowes Primary School not the route of closure and amalgamation. Concern is raised that if a waiver is not granted for the establishment of the new school then competition may take the new school out of the immediate control of the local community.

Recommendation:

Approve the closure of Osborne Middle School.

Ryde Area

Binstead Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

Dover Park Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

Haylands Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school. The school to eventually use the Swanmore Middle site with a new build primary school.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

Greenmount Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school. The school to eventually use the Mayfield CE VC Middle site. The governing body to take on CE VC status for the school.

Comment:

Whilst significant early representation was received against the closure of the school there has been less concern raised at the current proposal. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. The school is discussing the possible move to CE VC status with the Diocesan Authority.

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

Oakfield CE VA Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the Bishop Lovett CE VC Middle site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. The governing body are also supporting the hard federation of Oakfield with Arreton CE VC Primary School

Recommendation:
Approve the proposal.

(Note the school's support of a hard federation with Arreton CE VC Primary school does not impact upon the decision for Oakfield)

St. Mary's RC VA Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site. Maintain the existing hard federation with St. Thomas of Canterbury RC VA Primary School.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Wootton Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Bishop Lovett CE VC Middle School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The school governors have commented on the way in which the school can support transition to the new system of school organisation and the future use of the building. The proposal is supported by the Diocesan Authority.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Mayfield CE VC Middle School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

Representation received against the proposal to move from primary, middle and high to primary and secondary from the school staff and governors in consultation meeting. The response to this representation is dealt with in Appendices C and J covering the rationale and public support for a primary and secondary system and the systemic issues in respect of children's achievement within the current system. The proposal is supported by the Diocesan Authority.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Swanmore Middle School

Proposal:

Closure. Use of the site for the enlarged Haylands Primary School.

Comment:

No significant representation received for or against the proposal.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Ryde High School

Proposal:

Closure. Establish a new school on the existing site which will be let by competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. No significant representation has been received against the proposal.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

East Wight Area**Bembridge CE VA Primary School**

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site or by moving to the Forelands Middle site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Brading CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

Significant community support received for the proposal. The proposal is supported by governors and the community, however the school governors and the Town Council have emphasised their desire for a new school and the creation of joint facilities for youth, community and health provision. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Significant representation received against the proposal to close St. Helen's Primary School. As the pupil projections for the Brading, Nettlestone and St. Helen's area indicate the long term viability of only two schools at a minimum one form entry; the

decision in respect of Brading CE VC should be considered in conjunction with that of Nettlestone and St. Helen's Primary Schools.

At this stage further consideration should be given to the decision in respect of Brading CE VC Primary School.

Recommendation:

An independent panel, as outlined in paragraph 64 of the Cabinet report, should be appointed to review the work of officers and to meet further with the community in order to provide a report and recommendation to the Cabinet on the future of the school by 28 February 2009.

Nettlestone Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Significant representation received against the proposal to close St. Helen's Primary School. As the pupil projections for the Brading, Nettlestone and St. Helen's area indicate the long term viability of only two schools at a minimum one form entry; the decision in respect of Nettlestone should be considered in conjunction with that of Brading CE VC and St. Helen's Primary Schools.

At this stage further consideration should be given to the decision in respect of Nettlestone Primary School.

Recommendation:

An independent panel, as outlined in paragraph 64 of the Cabinet report, should be appointed to review the work of officers and to meet further with the community in order to provide a report and recommendation to the Cabinet on the future of the school by 28 February 2009.

St. Helen's Primary School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

Significant representation received against the proposal to close the school. Retention of the school is supported by the governing body, parents, the wider St. Helen's community and the Parish Council. Full information on the representation is given in Appendix C. At this stage further consideration should be given to the decision in respect of St. Helen's Primary School.

The pupil projections for the Brading, Nettlestone and St. Helen's area indicate the long term viability of only two schools at a minimum one form entry. Therefore, the decision in respect of St. Helen's should be considered in conjunction with that of Brading CE VC and Nettlestone Primary Schools.

Recommendation:

An independent panel, as outlined in paragraph 64 of the Cabinet report, should be appointed to review the work of officers and to meet further with the

community in order to provide a report and recommendation to the Cabinet on the future of the school by 28 February 2009.

Forelands Middle School

Proposal:
Closure.

Comment:

Some representation received against the proposal to move from primary, middle and high to primary and secondary from the school staff and governors. The response to this representation is dealt with in Appendices C and J covering the rationale and public support for a primary and secondary system and the systemic issues in respect of children's achievement within the current system. The school governors have commented on the way in which the school can support transition to the new system of school organisation.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Sandown/Shanklin Area

Broadlea Primary School

Proposal:
Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the Lake Middle site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Gatten and Lake Primary School

Proposal:
Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against, however, a desire has been expressed for the long term replacement of the existing school building. The response to this point is covered in Appendix E on the Primary Capital Programme. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Newchurch Primary School

Proposal:
Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Sandown CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with St. John's CE VC Primary School. The new school to be established on the Sandown CE site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system and the establishment of a new school. They are not sure that the sole use of the Sandown CE site offers the best long term solution for the community. A joint proposal from the schools offers the options set out below. This proposal is supported by the Diocese.

Option 1

Amalgamate Sandown CE VC and St. John's CE VC Primary Schools. Establish a new school using the two current sites, with one site focused to early years and key stage 1 provision (4-9 age range) and one site focused to key stage 2 provision (7-11 age range). The new school to have a single leadership and governance.

Option 2

Amalgamate Sandown CE VC and St. John's CE VC Primary Schools. Establish a new school on a new site for the full 4-11 age range.

Recommendation:

Approve the amalgamation of Sandown CE VC and St. John's CE VC Primary Schools subject to the granting of a waiver to competition. Initially the two schools to use the existing sites under a single leadership and governance.

Shanklin CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The Diocese support the proposal. The Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

St. John's CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with Sandown CE VC Primary School. The new school to be established on the Sandown CE site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system and the establishment of a new school. They are not sure that the sole use of the Sandown CE site offers the best long term solution for the community. A joint proposal from the schools offers the options set out below. This proposal is supported by the Diocese.

Option 1

Amalgamate St. John's CE VC and Sandown CE VC Primary Schools. Establish a new school using the two current sites, with one site focused to early years and key stage 1 provision (4-9 age range) and one site focused to key stage 2 provision (7-11 age range). The new school to have a single leadership and governance.

Option 2

Amalgamate St. John's CE VC and Sandown CE VC Primary Schools. Establish a new school on a new site for the full 4-11 age range.

Recommendation:

Approve the amalgamation of St. John's CE VC and Sandown CE VC Primary Schools subject to the granting of a waiver to competition. Initially the two schools to use the existing sites under a single leadership and governance.

Lake Middle School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

Some representation received against the proposal to move from primary, middle and high to primary and secondary from the school staff and governors. The response to this representation is dealt with in Appendices C and J covering the rationale and public support for a primary and secondary system and the systemic issues in respect of children's achievement within the current system. Further representation is made about the process for staff transfer to the new system, which is responded to in Appendix O.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Sandham Middle School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

No significant representation for or against the proposal. Further representation is made about the process for staff transfer to the new system, which is responded to in Appendix O.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Sandown High School

Proposal:

Closure. Establish a new school on the existing site which will be let by competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school community and governors support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Representation has been as to whether the school should go to competition on the basis of performance and the achievement of Foundation status.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Ventnor/South Wight Area

Chale CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

Significant representation received from the school community and Parish Council against the proposal to close the school. However, this representation has not addressed the school's long term viability and ability to sustain a one form entry from within its priority area. Responses to concerns about the rural provision of the school and the impact upon the community of its proposed closure are covered in Appendices C, K and N. The proposal is supported by the Diocese.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Godshill Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with Chillerton and Rookley and Wroxall Primary Schools. The new school to be established initially using the three sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will utilise a new build at Godshill and the Wroxall site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. The school has asked for due consideration to be given to continuity for pupils in any transition.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Niton Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

St. Boniface CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with St. Margaret's CE VC and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary Schools. The new school to be a VA joint faith school and established initially using the three sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will utilise a new build on the Ventnor Middle site. Establish the new school by Diocesan Authority seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

Some significant representation received in support of the proposal from the school community. The school and Diocese supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. The proposal is supported by the governing body who note that the school has been successfully working under a joint headship with St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School for over a year. Some representation has been received from the Ventnor community and in the public meeting of Ventnor Town Council which does not support the amalgamation of the three primary schools and the move to a single upper Ventnor site. Concern has been raised at the lack of diversity in that there is no proposed community school within the Ventnor Town area.

The Secretary of State has approved the Church of England Diocesan Authority for Portsmouth and Winchester and the Roman Catholic Diocesan Authority of Portsmouth's application for a waiver to competition in the establishment of the new school.

Option 1

Approve the proposal of 3 June 2008.

Option 2

Amalgamate St. Boniface CE VC Primary School and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School, as a one form entry VA school, using initially the two existing sites with an eventual move to the St. Boniface site. This achieves a primary school provision in lower Ventnor and builds on the existing relationship between the two schools. Enlarge St. Margaret's CE VC Primary School to a one form entry 4-11 age range school for upper Ventnor.

Option 3

Amalgamate St. Boniface CE VC Primary School and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School, as a one form entry VA school, using initially the two existing sites with an eventual move to the St. Boniface site. This achieves a primary school provision in lower Ventnor and builds on the existing relationship between the two schools. Close St. Margaret's CE VC Primary School and establish by competition, under the Education and Inspections Act 2006, a new one form entry 4-11 age range school for upper Ventnor on the Ventnor Middle site. This provides both provision for upper and lower Ventnor and diversity within the school provision for Ventnor Town.

Recommendation:

Approve option 1 the original proposal.

St. Margaret's CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with St. Boniface CE VC and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary Schools. The new school to be a VA joint faith school and established initially using the three sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will utilise a new build on the Ventnor Middle site. Establish the new school by Diocesan

Authority seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school and Diocese supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. However, some representation has been received against the proposal to amalgamate all the Ventnor primary schools from the school community. Some representation has been received from the Ventnor community and in the public meeting of Ventnor Town Council which does not support the amalgamation of the three primary schools and the move to a single upper Ventnor site. Concern has been raised at the lack of diversity, in that there is no proposed community school within the Ventnor Town area.

The Secretary of State has approved the Church of England Diocesan Authority for Portsmouth and Winchester and the Roman Catholic Diocesan Authority of Portsmouth's application for a waiver to competition in the establishment of the new school.

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Approve the proposal of 3 June 2008.

Option 2

Amalgamate St. Boniface CE VC Primary School and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School, as a one form entry VA school, using initially the two existing sites with an eventual move to the St. Boniface site. This achieves a primary school provision in lower Ventnor and builds on the existing relationship between the two schools. Enlarge St. Margaret's CE VC Primary School to a one form entry 4-11 age range school for upper Ventnor.

Option 3

Amalgamate St. Boniface CE VC Primary School and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School, as a one form entry VA school, using initially the two existing sites with an eventual move to the St. Boniface site. This achieves a primary school provision in lower Ventnor and builds on the existing relationship between the two schools. Close St. Margaret's CE VC Primary School and establish by competition, under the Education and Inspections Act 2006, a new one form entry 4-11 age range school for upper Ventnor on the Ventnor Middle site. This provides both provision for upper and lower Ventnor and diversity within the school provision for Ventnor Town.

Recommendation:

Approve option 1 the original proposal.

St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with St. Boniface CE VC and St. Margaret's CE VC Primary Schools. The new school to be a VA joint faith school and established initially using the three sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will utilise a new build on the Ventnor Middle site. Establish the new school by the Diocesan Authority seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

Some significant representation received in support of the proposal from the school community. The school and Diocese supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. The proposal is supported by the governing body who note that

the school has been successfully working under a joint headship with St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School for over a year. Some representation has been received from the Ventnor community and in the public meeting of Ventnor Town Council which does not support the amalgamation of the three primary schools and the move to a single upper Ventnor site. Concern has been raised at the lack of diversity, in that there is no proposed community school within the Ventnor Town area.

The Secretary of State has approved the Church of England Diocesan Authority for Portsmouth and Winchester and the Roman Catholic Diocesan Authority of Portsmouth's application for a waiver to competition in the establishment of the new school.

Option 1

Approve the proposal of 3 June 2008.

Option 2

Amalgamate St. Boniface CE VC Primary School and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School, as a one form entry VA school, using initially the two existing sites with an eventual move to the St. Boniface site. This achieves a primary school provision in lower Ventnor and builds on the existing relationship between the two schools. Enlarge St. Margaret's CE VC Primary School to a one form entry 4-11 age range school for upper Ventnor.

Option 3

Amalgamate St. Boniface CE VC Primary School and St. Wilfrid's RC VA Primary School, as a one form entry VA school, using initially the two existing sites with an eventual move to the St. Boniface site. This achieves a primary school provision in lower Ventnor and builds on the existing relationship between the two schools. Close St. Margaret's CE VC Primary School and establish by competition, under the Education and Inspections Act 2006, a new one form entry 4-11 age range school for upper Ventnor on the Ventnor Middle site. This provides both provision for upper and lower Ventnor and diversity within the school provision for Ventnor Town.

Recommendation:

Approve option 1 the original proposal.

Wroxall Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with Godshill and Chillerton and Rookley Primary Schools. The new school to be established initially using the three sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will utilise a new build at Godshill and the Wroxall site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

Significant representation was initially made against the closure of Wroxall. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Some representation has been received over the importance of maintaining the use of the Wroxall site, which is recognised in the proposal.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Ventnor Middle School

Proposal:
Closure.

Comment:

Some representation received against the proposal to move from primary, middle and high to primary and secondary from the school staff. The response to this representation is dealt with in Appendices C and J covering the rationale and public support for a primary and secondary system and the systemic issues in respect of children's achievement within the current system. Further representation is made about the process for staff transfer to the new system, which is responded to in Appendix O.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

West Wight Area

All Saints CE VC Primary School

Proposal:
Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Brightstone CE VC Primary School

Proposal:
Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

New Primary School

Proposal: Establish a new one form entry community primary school on the West Wight Middle site. Establish the new school by seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006. The new school maintains diversity of provision to the West Wight community.

Comment:

No representation has been received against the establishment of the new school. However, representation has been received around the need to go to competition. Weston is an improving school with a recent OFSTED grading of good. The representation received proposes that this quality of performance should be built on by enlarging Weston to a 4-11 age range school using the new build site. The current

Weston school is within the distance specified in the Education and Inspections Act 2006 which would allow enlargement to a new site without competition.

Option 1

Approve establishment of the new school by competition.

Option 2

Approve establishment of the new school by enlargement of Weston Primary School and its move to the new build primary site.

Recommendation:

Approve option 1.

Shalfleet CE VC Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with Yarmouth CE VA Primary School. The new school to be a VA school and established initially using the two sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will use the Shalfleet site. Establish the new school by the Diocesan Authority seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school and Diocese supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system and the proposed amalgamation. However, there has been extensive representation from the Yarmouth community in respect of the siting of the new school. The Yarmouth Town Council whilst supporting the principle of amalgamation have raised concern at transport and accessibility of the new school and the potential lost educational opportunities of taking the provision out of an historic town. The Diocesan Authority would welcome an independent review of the possible sites.

Option 1

Approve the proposal of 3 June 2008.

Option 2

Amalgamate Shalfleet CE VC Primary School and Yarmouth CE VA Primary School, as a CE VA school. Initially using the two existing sites with an eventual move to the Yarmouth site.

Option 3

Amalgamate Shalfleet CE VC Primary School and Yarmouth CE VA Primary School, as a CE VA school. Initially using the two existing sites with an eventual move to a new site.

Recommendation:

An independent panel, as outlined in paragraph 64 of the Cabinet report, should be appointed to review the work of officers and to meet further with the community in order to provide a report and recommendation to the Cabinet on the future of the school by 28 February 2009.

St. Saviours RC VA Primary School

Proposal:

Enlargement to a 4-11 age range school using the existing site.

Comment:

No significant representation received against. The proposal is supported by governors and the community. The Diocese support the proposal. The school and Diocese support the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.

Yarmouth CE VA Primary School

Proposal:

Closure through amalgamation with Shalfleet CE VC Primary School. The new school to be a VA school and established initially using the two sites of the existing schools. In the long term the school will use the Shalfleet site. Establish the new school by the Diocesan Authority seeking a waiver to competition under the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

Comment:

The school and Diocese supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. However, there has been extensive representation from the Yarmouth community in respect of the siting of the new school. The Yarmouth Town Council whilst supporting the principle of amalgamation have raised concern at transport and accessibility of the new school and the potential lost educational opportunities of taking the provision out of an historic town. The Diocesan Authority would welcome an independent review of the possible sites.

Option 1

Approve the proposal of 3 June 2008.

Option 2

Amalgamate Yarmouth CE VA Primary School and Shalfleet CE VC Primary School, as a CE VA school. Initially using the two existing sites with an eventual move to the Yarmouth site.

Option 3

Amalgamate Yarmouth CE VA Primary School and Shalfleet CE VC Primary School, as a CE VA school. Initially using the two existing sites with an eventual move to a new site.

Recommendation:

An independent panel, as outlined in paragraph 64 of the Cabinet report, should be appointed to review the work of officers and to meet further with the community in order to provide a report and recommendation to the Cabinet on the future of the school by 28 February 2009.

Weston Primary School

Proposal:

Closure.

Comment:

The school recognise the difficulty of the current site and the non-DDA compliance and long term question of one form entry viability. The school supports the proposal to move to a primary and secondary system. Representation has raised the question that given the school's improving performance and recent good OFSTED grading as to why it should not be considered for enlargement and a move to the proposed site

of the new primary school in Freshwater. Currently almost 50% of the pupil cohort comes from the Freshwater area.

Option 1

Approve closure.

Option 2

Approve enlargement and move to the new build primary site.

Recommendation:

Approve option 1.

West Wight Middle School

Proposal:

Closure. Use of the site for the enlarged new build Primary School.

Comment:

No significant representation received for or against the proposal.

Recommendation:

Approve the proposal.