

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

Corporate Director of Children & Learning
to

Cabinet and All Members of Council

on

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Agenda
Item No.

The amalgamation of Thorpedene Infant and Thorpedene Junior Schools
Children & Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Committee
– Executive Councillor: Councillor Roger Hadley
A Part 1 Public Agenda Item

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To inform Cabinet of the outcome of the publication of statutory notice on the proposal to amalgamate Thorpedene Infant and Thorpedene Junior Schools.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the amalgamation of Thorpedene Infant School and Thorpedene Junior School proceeds.**

3. Background

- 3.1 A report to Cabinet in June 2010 agreed to consult on the possible amalgamation of Thorpedene Infant and Thorpedene Junior School. A further report in November 2010 reported back on the outcomes of the consultation.
- 3.2 The concerns raised during the consultation period were satisfactorily responded to and Cabinet agreed to proceed to statutory notice.
- 3.3 The period of statutory notice commenced on 7th January 2011 and concluded on 18th February 2011.
- 3.4 There were no responses to the formal statutory notice received during this consultation period.
- 3.5 It is recommended therefore that the Project Board established to manage the amalgamation takes the process forward to completion.

4. Background Papers

- 4.1 Cabinet 7th June 2010 “Proposal to amalgamate Thorpedene Infant and Junior Schools”.
- 4.2 The Primary Strategy for Change June 2008

4.3 Shaping the Future Southend's Vision for Learning September 2008

5. Other Options

6. Reasons for Recommendations

7. Corporate Implications

All corporate implications have been identified in the two previous reports relating to this proposal.

8. Background Papers

9. Appendices

There are no appendices with this report.