Record of officer decision

Decision title:	To approve the expenditure of up to £17k for
	planned maintenance switchgear replacement at
	Wellington Primary School from school capital
	maintenance funding
Date of decision:	12 July 2019
Decision maker:	Assistant Director Education Development and Skills
Authority for delegated	The authority for the specified officer to take this decision is set out
decision:	in the cabinet report approved 17 January 2019 (http://hc-
	modgov:9070/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=5593)
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Consultation:	Cabinet debated and approved a report on the 2019/20 Local
	Authority Schools Maintenance Programme on 17 January 2019.
	Consultation has already been done in respect of the overall
	programme with the Capital Strategy Consultative Group,
	comprising a number of headteachers and council officers, who
	agreed the programme as a constructive way forward for the use of
	the grant.
	Political groups were consulted on the programme and no
	objections or comments were received.
Decision made:	Agreement to:
	 To approve the switchgear replacement planned
	maintenance works at Wellington Primary School, to be
	undertaken via Balfour Beatty Living Places, at an initial cost
	of £12,945 plus associated contingency, professional and
	statutory fees. A total cost up to the value of £17,000
	Fund the works from the existing school capital
	maintenance budget
Reasons for decision:	Wellington Primary was included in the approved schools planned
	maintenance programme 2019/20 for switchgear replacement
	works.
	The costs for the works will be covered using £17,000 from the
	schools capital maintenance budget; £6,600 of which has already
	been approved for expenditure against this item, the remaining
	£10,400 will be funded from the contingency within the schools
	capital maintenance budget.
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Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	The works can be covered within the budget originally allocated for switchgear replacement as part of the planned maintenance programme plus some funding from the contingency within the schools capital maintenance budget.
	There is a risk that once on site, further work is identified if the condition of the supporting and surrounding infrastructures are found to be poor. A contingency has been allowed to cover unforeseen elements once the works are commenced. Should this contingency be insufficient then a further officer decision will be required.
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	Do nothing. This is not recommended as the switchgear has reached the end of its life expectancy. Not undertaking the works could result in a significant health & safety risk to the building and its occupants.
	Undertake a different set of switchgear replacement works. The works put forward are considered the most appropriate and necessary to ensure the safety of the building and its occupants.
Details of any declarations of interest made:	None

Signed Date: 12/07/2019