

### Record of officer decision

<b>Decision title:</b>	To approve the expenditure of up to £10k for drainage repair works at Aylestone High School from school capital maintenance funding
<b>Date of decision:</b>	29 April 2020
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Assistant Director Education Development & Skills
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	The authority for the specified officer to take this decision is set out in the cabinet report approved 17 January 2019 ( <a href="http://hc-modgov:9070/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=5593">http://hc-modgov:9070/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=5593</a> )
<b>Ward:</b>	Aylestone Hill
<b>Consultation:</b>	None
<b>Decision made:</b>	<p>Agreement to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To approve the drainage improvement works at Aylestone High School, to be undertaken via SC Joseph, at an initial cost of £6,426 plus associated contingency, professional and statutory fees. A total cost up to the value of £10,000</li> <li>• Fund the additional works from the existing school capital maintenance budget</li> </ul>
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	<p>Aylestone have a number of mobiles on site used as teaching spaces. The drain associated with one of these appeared to be blocked. When the sink was used or water was poured directly into the drain the water flowed back out of the drain and was overflowing onto a children's play area. This was creating a health and safety hazard.</p> <p>The sink was originally proposed to have the drainage plumed into the same outlet as some toilets, however the route from the sinks to the toilets was plagued with obstacles from the general steel work and webbing of the floor beams and the timber floor construction. Following the initial route would have involved many changes of direction and level that the chance of the drain flowing and not causing a blockage was virtually non-existent and certainly would not have been passed by Building Control. The option was therefore taken to drop the waste into a localized drain which discharges surface water from the roof of the mobiles.</p> <p>On investigation it appeared that there was a blockage at some point in this drain. The drain was exposed locally and blockages removed and cleared as far as the tarmac ramp on the schools rear entrance to the service area. Further invasive work was required to excavate the tarmac entrance ramp to address the blockage.</p> <p>The cost of the drainage repairs will be added to the maintenance programme for 2019/20 and funded from the contingency within the existing school capital maintenance budget.</p>

<b>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</b>	<p>The estimated cost of the work is £10,000 including any associated contingency, professional and associated fees. This will be funded from the contingency within the school capital maintenance budget.</p> <p>There is a risk that once on site, further work is identified if the condition of the surrounding infrastructures are found to be poor or the blockage is further along the drainage run than anticipated. 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.</p>
<b>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	<p>Do nothing. This is not recommended as the drains are back-flowing onto a children's play area presenting a potential health and safety risks to the occupants of the school.</p> <p>Re-route the drainage from the sink into another drain. This is not recommended as this option was originally planned and found to be unviable given the route that the drainage run would have to take.</p>
<b>Details of any declarations of interest made:</b>	None

Signed

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