

Record of officer decision

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| Decision title: | Extension of outdoor eating / recreation space at Weobley High School |
| Date of decision: | 3 December 2021 |
| Decision maker: | Corporate Director of Children and Young People |
| Authority for delegated decision: | The authority for the specified officer to take this decision is set out in the cabinet member report approved 17 December 2018 https://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=5545 |
| Ward: | Weobley |
| Consultation: | The head teacher and governors have all been involved in, and consulted upon, the plans. |
| Decision made: | To fund up to £89,007, for the expansion of outdoor eating and recreation space at Weobley High School. Funding to be provided from secondary Section 106 receipts from Gadbridge Road, Weobley, with the remaining funding covered by the School. |
| Reasons for decision: | Weobley high School is a popular school with restricted area available to them for outdoor eating and recreation particularly in inclement weather. As the school has grown, once the field is closed, the pupils have very little hard standing space. The school also has a small canteen so pupils are mainly expected to eat 'on-the-go' as they walk around the site. The proposal is to put additional hard standing, shelters and benching on a piece of land near to the dining hall so pupils can have another outside eating and recreation space. The addition of these facilities means the whole school could access these outdoor areas. The component parts of the project are being sourced from different suppliers. |
| Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations: | S106 contributions have been secured towards Weobley high School. This contribution along with schools own funding will be made available to deliver the necessary works required for the school. Costs for the works have been calculated as £89,007. The work will be funded from: |

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| Details of any alternative options considered and rejected: | <p>Do nothing. This was not considered to be an option as the facilities available for pupils in this area needed to be improved and expanded especially given the increased number of children being admitted.</p> <p>An alternative layout could have been identified however it was considered that the option proposed gave the most flexible solution with minimal disruption to the school.</p> | | | | | | |
| Details of any declarations of interest made: | None | | | | | | |

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Corporate Director of Children and Young People

Date: 3 December 2021