

Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Surrender of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)with Aylestone School & Licence to Occupy for Broadlands Childrens Centre, Broadlands Lane Hereford to Brookfield School LTD an academy for children with special educational needs (SEN)
Date of decision:	27.07 2023
Decision maker:	Strategic Assets Delivery Director
Authority for delegated decision:	Corporate Centre's scheme of delegation dated July 2023 (line 35) gives the Strategic Assets Delivery Director the authority to take the decision
Ward:	Aylestone Hill
Consultation:	With Head of Additional Need in Children & Young People's Directorate who has confirmed the need for accommodation to enable Brookfield School Ltd to work, on behalf of the council, with children at risk of permanent exclusion from their mainstream schools
Decision made:	Approve the surrender of the MOU and the grant of a licence to occupy in respect of Broadlands Children's Centre Hereford to Brookfield School Ltd Hereford
Reasons for decision:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadlands childrens centre is owned by the Council and is currently occupied under a MOU by Aylestone School who have confirmed the property is currently surplus to their need for space. • Aylestone School have agreed to surrender the existing MOU to allow occupation by Brookfield School Ltd on the understanding that should this change the property will be offered back to them prior to an alternative user being sought • There is a growing need for SEN places in the county and pressure on existing SEN places. • The intervention work to be carried out by Brookfield School Ltd in the property is directed at helping children who are at risk of exclusion to remain in and benefit from mainstream education and thus reduce pressure on SEN places • The licence will be on the basis that Brookfield School Ltd pay all costs/outgoings in respect of the property including mains services, repairs and maintenance , business rates
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	The Council's legal team will review the licence to ensure the Council's position is protected. Not proceeding with this proposal will increase the pressure on SEN places in the county
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	None – no alternative accommodation for this proposal has been identified
Details of any declarations of interest made:	None

Signed..... Date: 27 July 2023
Strategic Assets Delivery Director