

Capital Strategy Group

Wednesday 19 December 2007, 5pm

Present: John Russell, Cllr King, Cllr Samuel, Christine Brett, Dave Talbot, Brian Holder, Beverly Butler, Paul Bettles, Claire Briggs, Tammi Brown

Apologies: Cllr Eady, Elaine England, Ron Percival

Minutes

Action

1. Introductions and apologies

See above

2. Declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were made.

3. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 12 July 2007 were agreed

4. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Draft Education Capital Programme 2008/2009

The draft programme was circulated to members along with a commentary. It was noted that this was primarily based on condition data and that it would be best to include suitability data in the primary strategy.

Cllr Samuel requested information be made available at the next meeting on date of installation for all school boilers, type of roofs and when last replaced. BB stated that schools' condition surveys contained most of this information. JR commented that this would be a lot of information to produce by the next meeting and maybe this could be looked at after the primary strategy had been completed.

The draft Education Capital Programme for 2008/2009 was agreed.

Schools were asked to state what they would like to bid for out of the £150,000 set aside within this programme, a summary of these items were circulated. The group agreed that as kitchens and external works had the highest number of votes these would be equal priorities. It was also agreed that schools can bid for a maximum of £20,000.

6. Every Child Matters Primary Capital Programme

BB and JR attended a briefing session by the DCSF on 7 December regarding the Primary Capital Programme and LA's strategies that must be submitted in June 2008.

VA schools will still need to find their 10% if any school were given money under this programme. VA schools would also like to be able to use their own surveyors for reference.

BB gave an overview of meetings held to date with LA Officers and Headteachers to discuss how to proceed with Richmond's strategy.

7. Any other business

BB noted that the Building Development Team had received a letter from Hampton Junior School asking the Capital Strategy Group for consideration for

additional funding towards the extension of their hall project. This was noted by members of the group and it was suggested that this could possibly be considered within the Primary Strategy.

8. Dates of next meetings

Tuesday 29th January, 4.30pm. 1st floor Regal House

Thursday 3 April, 5pm. 1st floor Regal House