



**North Tyneside Council**

# Briefing

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## **1.0 Purpose / Issue**

This Briefing Note provides Schools Forum with the most up to date information associated with the Education Capital Investment across the school estate.

## **2.0 Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP)**

The Priority Schools Building Programme is the Government's national investment programme aimed at addressing the needs of some of the worst condition schools in the country.

The investment strategy targets individual school buildings, as well as whole school rebuilds where this is appropriate

### **2.1 - Priority Schools Building Programme 1 (PSBP 1)**

- The project at Whitehouse Primary School is fully completed
- Longbenton High School and Marden High School are fully completed with the contract now within the external defects liability period.
- The external works for John Spence High School were completed at the end of December 2017 and the contract has now moved to the external defects liability period.

### **2.2 - Priority Schools Building Programme 2 (PSBP 2)**

Cullercoats Primary School was identified as a successful bid under PSBP 2 in February 2015.

Following the Client Engagement meeting held on 30 January 2018 with Officers and representatives from the School, the Education Skills and Funding Agency (ESFA) have now confirmed the proposal for the refurbishment project at the school which will include replacement windows, roof, mechanical and electrical services and internal alterations and improvements.

The ESFA confirmed the following works programme on 6 March 2018:

- 21 May 2018 – modular accommodation arrives
- 18 June 2018 – main works commence
- 18 June 2018 - Phase 1 – Nursery KS1, south hall
- 23 July 2018 - Phase 2 – Main spine corridor (heating and electrics)
- 7 January 2019 - Phase 3 – Lower KS2
- 22 July 2019 - Phase 4 – Upper KS2
- 22 July 2019 - Phases 5 – Admin areas
- 10 February 2020 - Phase 6 - external works
- End of February 2020 - Completion and handover

### **3.0 Backworth Park Primary School**

A new build solution funded via Section 106 contributions in relation to local housing developments. The project involves relocating Backworth Park Primary School to a new site to accommodate local increase in pupil population as a consequence of existing and newly approved residential developments. As part of the development proposals the school will also expand from a 1 form entry to a 1.5 form entry.

The works commenced on site in August 2017 and the project is progressing well with an anticipated completion date of July 2018. The transfer of resources etc will be undertaken during the summer holiday period to allow the new school to open to staff and pupils in September 2018.

### **4.0 School Condition Investment Programme**

- **2017/2018** - The approved Capital Maintenance Programme was fully delivered with 20 schools benefitting from the investment.
- **2018/2019** - The Strategic Investment and Property Team carried out the formal consultation with all schools in November 2017 on the draft 2018/19 programme. The final investment programme was published in December 2017 detailing those priority projects to be delivered during the new financial year (Appendix 1). Individual meetings have now commenced with those schools included within the programme to agree the project detail and delivery arrangements.
- **2019/2020** - Future years School Condition Investment priorities will be identified once the ESFA announce the capital allocations for 2019/20 and beyond. This will allow the team to capture any new or emerging priorities across the school estate.

### **5.0 Special Provision Capital Fund**

The purpose of the special provision capital fund is to support local authorities to make capital investments in provision for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities.

The funding is primarily intended to develop provision for pupils with more complex special educational needs (i.e. an EHC plan aged between 0 and 25) in mainstream and/or special schools.

The funding has been allocated based on a formula allocation and is based principally on projected population growth for children and young people aged 2-18 between the years 2018/19 and 2020/21. The allocation for North Tyneside is £500k and covers a three year period 2018/19 to 2020/21 as shown below:

<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>Total</b>
£166,667	£166,667	£166,667	£500,000

By Summer 2018 Local Authorities are required to publish their plan and have consulted with parents, carers and young people.

Colleagues from the School Improvement Service are currently working with Headteacher colleagues and the High Needs Commissioning Group to identify the initial priorities.

## **6. Healthy Pupils Capital Fund (HPCF)**

As part of the Capital allocations announced in March 2018, North Tyneside Council were awarded £254k for 2018/19 as part of the Healthy Pupils Capital Fund. The funding is provided from the Soft Drinks Industry Levy for 2018/19 only. The one off capital allocation is to help local authorities to improve the physical and mental health of children and young people by improving and increasing availability to facilities for physical activity, healthy eating, mental health and wellbeing and medical conditions.

The capital allocation awarded to North Tyneside does not include Academies or voluntary aided schools as funding for these sectors has been provided direct to Diocesan Authorities and Academies.

An initial meeting has been held with the Director of Public Health and colleagues from the School Improvement Service to consider the options on how best to deliver investment across North Tyneside. It is proposed that a mini health profile is drafted of our young people and to link this to the recent Healthy Schools Audit.

Upon completion of this exercise, Headteacher representatives will be asked to work with colleagues to help agree a final investment strategy for delivery by 31 March 2019

## **7.0 Recommendation**

Schools Forum is asked to note the contents of this Briefing Note and the progress made.

Building	Project	Budget Estimate	Comments
<b>General</b>			
Various Schools	Modernisation General	£ 250,000	
Various Schools	DDA programme	£ 150,000	
Various Schools	School Condition Survey Programme	£ 50,000	
Project Management Fees		£ 200,000	
<b>Planned Projects</b>			
Cullercoats Primary	Electric water heaters below sinks and in toilets are past life expectancy		Project deferred pending PSBP2 scoping exercise
Cullercoats Primary	Concrete paving is breaking up and requires replacement.		Project deferred pending PSBP2 scoping exercise
Cullercoats Primary	Tarmac road & car park is breaking up and requires replacement.		Project deferred pending PSBP2 scoping exercise
Cullercoats Primary	Precast concrete sills require replacement.		Project deferred pending PSBP2 scoping exercise
Cullercoats Primary	Stainless steel sink tops, cupboards, worktops and wastes require renewal		Project deferred pending PSBP2 scoping exercise
Cullercoats Primary	Rewire phase 1 of 4 (new supply cable and switch gear)		Project deferred pending PSBP2 scoping exercise
Amberley Primary	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 150,000	
Appletree Gardens First	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 150,000	
Fordley Primary	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 60,000	
Forest Hall Primary	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 60,000	
George Stephenson High	Replace defective flat roof covering	£ 450,000	
Greenfields Primary	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 100,000	
Hazlewood Primary	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 100,000	
Howdon Children's centre	Roofing Replacement Phase 3	£ 120,000	
Moorbridge	Alterations and improvements to facilitate transfer to new building	£ 190,000	
Norham High	Window replacements and heating improvements	£ 100,000	
Norham High	Install boundary fencing to align with Fields in Trust covenant	£ 50,000	
Percy Main Primary	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 70,000	
Sir James Knott Nursery School	Rebuild defective boundary wall	£ 15,000	
Sir James Knott Nursery School	Heating improvements	£ 15,000	
Valley Gardens Middle	Replacement boiler plant	£ 350,000	
Whitley Bay High	Electrical upgrades & Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 400,000	
Whitley Lodge First	Replace defective flat roof covering	£ 140,000	
Woodlawn/Langley First	Fire Risk Assessment essential works	£ 75,000	
Woodlawn/Langley First	Wood wool slab repairs phase 2	£ 150,000	

Total Condition Priorities £ 3,395,000  
2017/18 assumed funding allocation £ 3,395,991  
Funding shortfall/surplus £ 991