

THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THIS DECISION EXPIRES AT 5.00PM ON WEDNESDAY, 15 AUGUST 2012. THE DECISION CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE.

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS AT COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT ON WEDNESDAY, 8 AUGUST 2012

Present: Cllr Dawn Cousins – Cabinet Member for Childrens Services and Education

Jonathan Baker – Democratic Services Officer

Item	<u>Consultation on Special Educational Needs (SEN) and Alternative Provision Service Relocation</u>
Decision reference	26/12
Notice of Decision Published	Monday, 30 July 2012
Decision taken	<p><u>Option 1</u></p> <p>i. THAT the council consults further on the proposals contained in the notice (Appendix 1 of the report) and then considers the responses received from the public and other concerned agencies at full council. Those proposals are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relocation of both Tuition Centres to a specialist refurbished provision in Lake on the site of a school vacated as part of the re-organisation of mainstream schools. • Relocate the SEN and Early Years' Services to separate accommodation on the same site. • The site proposed is Berry Hill, Lake, Sandown, PO36 9LH. • To establish a separate provision for a maximum of 25 children and young people with statements for behaviour, social, emotional difficulties who have been excluded or are in danger of exclusion from mainstream school or who are in need of a period of intensive support before return to schools on the Island. • To establish an operational base on the same site for a number of specialist services that work extensively with these pupils. • The site being proposed for this provision is Love Lane, Cowes, PO31 7ET.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WISE workshops would be relocated to accommodation on the two proposed sites. Each site would make provision for woodwork, the most popular of the activities. <p>ii THAT the council agrees to the results of consultation being brought forward for consideration by Cabinet after 12 October 2012 closure date.</p>
Reason for decision	To support the Corporate Plan in that there are implications for raising educational standards for the young people directly involved and also for mainstream schools in terms of keeping children safe by helping to manage difficult behaviour, attendance and exclusion issues.
Additional reasons	To be consistent with the councils priority of delivering savings through changed service provision.
Options considered and rejected	<p><u>Option 2</u> - That the council decides to consult further on the proposals for the relocation of the Tuition Centres and SEN support services to Lake but not to consult further on the proposals for the site at Cowes but to require officers to undertake further work to try to identify other possibilities before proceeding with the statutory process in that case.</p> <p><u>Option 3</u> - That the council to decides not to proceed with further consultation on these two sites but to require officers to undertake further work to try to identify other possibilities before proceeding with the statutory process in either case.</p>
Declarations of interest	None declared
Additional advice received	None received