




Report to:	Council	Date:	18 January 2016
Report title:	Requisition Report		
Report from:	Jessica Crowe, Monitoring Officer		
Ward/Areas affected:	Borough wide		
Chair of Committee/Lead Member:	The Mayor, Cllr Muhammad Sadiq		
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Corporate Plan Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Open Council • A Fair Council 		
Open/Exempt:	Open		
Signed:		Date:	07 January 2016

1. Summary

- 1.1 In accordance with committee procedure rule 23.4 Requisitions, Full Council is asked to consider a requisition relating to decisions made at a meeting of the Children, Family and Education Committee held on 17 December 2015.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To consider the requisition request relating to Item 5 School Places Update, recommendations 2.4 and 2.5 considered by the Children, Family and Education Committee held on 17 December 2015.

3. Background

- 3.1 The requisition relates to the recommended approach to securing the provision of new secondary school places for the borough. The text of the requisition is set out below:

“On 2.4: there is a significant risk of the new secondary school not being ready for 2018. This recommendation overturns the approach set out by Cllr Mathys in November 2014 that both Rose Hill and Sutton Hospital sites would be pursued and the first to be ready would be the site for the initial school. Neither site is yet ready, so both sites should continue to be pursued in order to manage prudently the risk of one site encountering problems. Only the Rose Hill



site has so far been identified as being suitable by the EFA. We are seeking to reinstate the twin-track approach of November 2014.

On 2.5 we are seeking clarification of the risks, uncertainties and the details of the proposed plan for LBS to pursue planning permission on the school site itself, rather than following the normal process of allowing the school provider to do this. We are concerned that a risky plan is being pursued for political reasons and not because it is the best plan to provide for the future education of Sutton’s children.”

4. Issues

4.1 The process for considering requisitions is for the relevant chair to move the adoption of the minute of the decisions that have been requisitioned, which all members thus have an opportunity to debate and vote upon. The resolutions members are considering are: item 5 resolutions d) and e) as set out at Appendix A to this report.

5. Options Considered

5.1 Full Council can agree the resolutions made by the Children, Family and Education Committee Committee or take the action requested by the Councillors requisitioning the decision. For clarification, the Council have not been told by the EFA that the Sutton Hospital site is unsuitable for a secondary school only that they shared GLT's concerns that it was not sufficiently big for an 8FE secondary school including 6th form. Detailed information relating to options and reasons for the recommendations are set out in the report considered by the committee attached at Appendix B.

6. Impacts and Implications

Financial

6.1 The financial implications of this decision are set out in the original report which is attached at Appendix B.

Legal

6.2 The legal implications of this decision are set out in the original report which is attached at Appendix B.

7. Appendices and Background Documents

Appendix letter	Title
A	Draft resolutions Item 5, Children Family and Education Committee 17 December 2015
B	Report School Places Update considered by the Children Family and



	Education Committee 17 December 2015 (circulated separately to Councillors and available at www.sutton.gov.uk)
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Background documents
None

Audit Trail		
Version	Final	Date: 05 January 2016
Consultation with other officers		
Finance	No	N/A
Legal	No	N/A
People Directorate	Yes	Kieran Holliday Head of Pupil Based Commissioning

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