

## DECISION RECORD

**Subject:** Whether or not to agree to the proposal, following the publishing of statutory notices, to reconfigure existing services to schools to meet the needs of primary-aged children with specific learning difficulties (SpLD)

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Portfolio: Executive Member for Children, Young People and Families

### 1. Decision

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### 2. Reasons for the decision

At the Hertfordshire County Council Cabinet meeting of 18 June 2018 approval was granted for publication of statutory proposals to reconfigure existing services to schools to support them to meet the needs of primary aged children with Specific Learning Difficulties (SpLD) by 31 March 2019.

The representation period ended on 25 July 2018 and no objections to the proposal were received. It is now for the Director of Children's Services, under the terms of the delegated powers invested in her, to approve the proposal.

### 3. Alternative options considered and rejected

None

### 4. Consultation

(a) Comments of Executive Member

None

(b) Comments of other consultees

None

5. **Following consultation with, and the concurrence of the Executive Member, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.**

Signed:

Title: Jenny Coles,  
Director of Children's Services.

Date: 07 Sept 2018

6. **Copies of agreed document to:**

- The Headteacher & Chair of Governors of
  - Applecroft Primary
  - Bonneygrove Primary
  - Grange Junior
  - Laurance Haines Primary School
  - Maple Grove
  - Parkside Primary
  - The Leys Primary
  - The Thomas Coram Junior
  - Thorley Hill Primary
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