

AREA PANEL 2 16 MARCH 2005

Report of the Director of Corporate Services on behalf of the Project Board

Derby Grouped Schools Private Finance Initiative (PFI): Construction works at Sinfin Primary School and Merrill College

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 Derby's Grouped Schools PFI Project successfully reached Commercial and Financial Close. Commercial Close was completed on Tuesday 30 November 2004 with Financial Close following on Thursday 23 December 2004.
- 1.2 This signifies the commencement of construction works at Sinfin Primary and Merrill College. Work started at Sinfin Primary on Monday 10 January 2005 and will be the first of the five schools in the Project to be completed later this year. Work started at Merrill College on Monday 14 February 2005 with the new College ready by September 2006.
- 1.3 Lakeside Community Primary will be the last school to be started in August 2005, to be completed by September 2006. The new school will be located on a new site on Alvaston Park. Further details will follow once this school is under construction.
- 1.4 Public meetings have taken place at both of the schools to inform parents and the local community of the start of the construction programme so that they are aware of what is happening. Norwest Holst representatives attended these meetings.
- 1.5 Bulletins will be posted both inside the schools and around the hoardings as regular site meetings will take place. Local residents will be notified of significant works at the schools before they are due to take place.

PROPOSED ACTION

2.1 This report is to note the progress of the construction of Sinfin Primary and Merrill College and updates will be given as and when necessary.

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Background papers: List of appendices:

None None