



Derby City Council

**Children and Young People Board Meeting
20 November 2012**

ITEM 9

Report of the Director of Commissioning for
Children and Young People

Building Schools for the Future Programme - Update

SUMMARY

- 1.1 Derby City Council is working in partnership with Balfour Beatty Education to deliver the two Building Schools for the Future (BSF) sample schemes.
- 1.2 Noel-Baker and St Martins Schools moved into their new buildings on 10 September 2012.
- 1.3 Derby Moor Community Sports College is due to take possession of its new and refurbished buildings on 7 January 2013.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note this report.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 To ensure the Children and Young People Board are updated on the Building Schools for the Future Programme.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 Derby's BSF programme was cut in July 2010, when the coalition government put a stop to BSF nationally. Only the two sample schemes were given permission to go ahead. These are the complete rebuild of Noel-Baker and St Martins Schools on the Noel-Baker site at a cost of £40 million and the major refurbishment of Derby Moor Community Sports College at a cost of £21.6 million.
- 4.2 Derby City Council selected Balfour Beatty Education as its partner for the construction and delivery of both BSF schemes. Construction work started at both sites in January 2011, with both schools due to be handed over for occupation on 3 September 2012.
- 4.3 Work on Noel-Baker and St Martins was in line with programme for most of the construction period. However, Balfour Beatty was not able to complete construction of the new buildings in time for the handover date of 3 September 2012, and the handover was delayed by one week. Balfour Beatty have formally apologised to the Local Authority and the schools for this delay.
- 4.4 The schools took occupation of their new buildings on 10 September 2012, and have settled into their new surroundings. There has been positive press coverage in the Derby Telegraph of the impact that the state of the art facilities are having on the teaching and learning at both schools.
- 4.5 Noel-Baker and St Martins is a Private Finance Initiative (PFI) scheme. As part of the PFI contract, Balfour Beatty Workplace provide all Facilities Management services, such as cleaning, caretaking and maintenance, at the schools for a 25 year period. This arrangement began on 10 September and the new services are bedding in well.
- 4.6 Balfour Beatty has now started work on the demolition of the old Noel-Baker School. These areas will then be landscaped and all work on site is due to finish in May 2013.
- 4.7 The Derby Moor scheme is a complex mixture of rebuild and refurbishment. In January 2012, the refurbished sports and arts area was completed and handed over to the school. At the same time, a large part of the school moved into temporary accommodation so that the Derwent building on the site could be vacated and refurbished.
- 4.8 In April 2012, work to refurbish the Derwent building uncovered a significant structural issue with the steel frame of the building. This issue could not have been uncovered any earlier, as it would not have been possible to carry out extensive intrusive checks while the building was still in occupation by the school. As a result of this discovery, the completion of the refurbishment was delayed by three months while a solution to the problem was agreed and implemented. The cost of the rectification and the delay to the scheme was £439,000, which was funded from the BSF contingency.

- 4.9 The handover of both the refurbished Derwent building and the new build “learning hub” was put back to 7 January 2013 following this delay. A new completion programme was put together and work is on track to meet this programme. The school is now working with Balfour Beatty and officers from the School Organisation and Provision team to organise the move into the new and refurbished buildings over the Christmas holiday.
- 4.10 Once construction work on the new and refurbished buildings is complete in January 2013, work will begin to demolish the old buildings, remove the temporary accommodation and fully landscape the site. This work is due to finish in May 2013.

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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 These are the cost of the Noel-Baker/St Martins scheme is £40 million and the cost of the Derby Moor scheme is £21.6 million.

Legal

- 2.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Personnel

- 3.1 There are no personnel implications arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 The buildings have been designed to comply with the latest regulations on disabled access.

Health and Safety

- 5.1 There are no health and safety implications arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 The target is for the Noel-Baker/St Martins new build scheme to achieve a BREEAM “Excellent” rating and the Derby Moor refurbishment scheme to achieve a BREEAM “Very Good” rating.

Asset Management

- 7.1 There are no asset management implications arising from this report.

Risk Management

- 8.1 There are no risk management implications arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

9.1 All people in Derby will enjoy achieving their learning potential for a brighter future.