

**CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES - CLLR LAURA MAYES**

**CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SOCIAL CARE AND INTERGRATED YOUTH**

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**AMALGAMATION OF ST MARY'S CEVC INFANT SCHOOL AND ST  
PETER'S CEVC JUNIOR SCHOOLS TO FORM A NEW CEVC  
PRIMARY SCHOOL IN MARLBOROUGH**

**Purpose of Report**

To ask the Cabinet Member to approve the statutory proposals published by the governing bodies of St Mary's CEVC Infant School and St Peter's CEVC Junior School on 6 November 2014.

**Consultation**

A period of statutory consultation in September and October 2014 preceded the publication of the linked statutory proposals. The public notice period has been four weeks.

**Options Considered**

The principal option considered during the consultation process, was to leave the schools as separate infant and junior schools on their existing sites and in their current buildings.

**Reason for Decision**

The linked proposals published by the local governing bodies have secured significant backing from the community of parents, are supported by the DfE and the Diocese of Salisbury and will help to secure the future of primary education in the community of Marlborough.

## **DECISION MADE**

I approve:

- (i) The proposal to close St Mary's Infant and St Peter's Junior schools, Marlborough (including the SEN Resource Bases) and to open a new voluntary controlled primary school on the site of the St Mary's, offering 440 places (including 20 SEN Resource Base places). This approval is conditional on the letting of a contract to provide the new primary school buildings.

**This decision was published on 19 December 2014 and will come into force on 31 December 2014.**

**The following supporting documents are attached:**

Report

Date: 19 December 2014

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Cabinet Member for Children's Services