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CLOSURE OF ST SAMPSON'S INFANT SCHOOL CRICKLADE AND CHANGE OF AGE RANGE OF ST SAMPSON'S CE JUNIOR SCHOOL CRICKLADE TO BECOME ST SAMPSON'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Purpose of Report

Purpose of Report: to ask the Cabinet Member to approve the statutory proposals published by the governing bodies of St Sampson's Infant School and St Sampson's CE Junior School on 13 March 2014.

Consultation

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

Options Considered

The option of closure of the infant school and its conversion into an academy was considered during the consultation process, as well as the option put forward in the statutory proposals.

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 Bristol and will help to secure the future of primary education in the community of Cricklade.

INTENTION TO MAKE DECISION

Following consultation with officers I give notice that I intend to make the decision set out in the attached report. If you would like to make any representations to me on this issue please do so by 23 April 2014.

The following supporting documents are attached:

SSISSJ cabinet member decision report version 6-1 Proposals to close St Sampson Infant School Cricklade and to expand the age range of St Sampson Junior School Cricklade to the fully primary age range clean copy

Date: 11 April 2014

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Cllr Laura Mayes Cabinet Member for Children's Services