

Item No.	Classification: Open	Date: 9 July 2013	Meeting Name: Education, Children's Services and Leisure Scrutiny Sub-Committee
Report title:		Southwark Schools for the Future: New School Proposals	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Project Director, Southwark Schools for the Future	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Education, Children's Services and Leisure Scrutiny Sub-Committee note the briefing provided below.

UPDATE

Compass

2. The developer who has acquired the former Bermondsey site of Southwark College has advised that they will continue to work with the EFA to facilitate the delivery of the Compass Free School.
3. Compass Free School is to open in September 2013 in the existing accommodation on the site.

University Technical College (UTC)

4. As a result of the recent acquisition of the Bermondsey site of Southwark College the future of the proposed University Technical College is uncertain. There is ongoing engagement with the developer, the sponsor and other stakeholders to seek to secure the future of the UTC.

Southwark Free School

5. In 2011 Southwark Free School (SFS) secured Department for Education pre-opening approval to open in September 2012. At the time of this approval the school was proposed to be established at a site in Great Dover Street.
6. In March 2012 SFS initiated a public consultation process seeking feedback from local stakeholders in regard to proposals to establish a 420 place primary school at 399 Rotherhithe New Road.
7. The school was granted a 2 year lease in 2012 from the Council for the Ledbury Estate Tenants' Hall to enable their establishment.
8. The school's permanent proposals for 399 Rotherhithe New Road were refused by planning committee in June 2013.

Other Free School Proposals

9. A 2 form entry German/English bilingual primary school – Judith Kerr Primary School - has acquired a site on Half Moon Lane and is due to open in September 2013 in temporary accommodation ahead of their permanent establishment on the same site. The school will be accepting pupils in both reception and in higher year groups.
10. The Harris Federation’s proposal for a new 2 form entry free school in Dulwich has been approved for pre-opening. Their preferred location is the former East Dulwich Hospital site and they are engaging directly with the NHS with a view to acquiring a part of the site. They intend to open in September 2014.
11. The two form of entry primary school for Latin-American children was not approved in May 2013.

AUDIT TRAIL

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