

**NOTIFICATION OF KEY DECISION TO BE TAKEN  
GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE**

<b>DETAILS OF DECISION</b>	
<b>Title of Report</b>	Gateway 2 - Contract Award Approval Phoenix School phase 1a: Scaffolding, roof and window repairs, asbestos removal and associated Works at Phoenix School
<b>Description/Nature of matter requiring Key Decision</b>	Approval to appoint a contractor for phase 1 works at Phoenix primary School in advance of the proposed major construction works, using the Improvement and Efficiency South East (iESE) construction and management framework arrangements.
<b>Decision taker</b>	Strategic Director of Children's and Adult Services
<b>Date by which Key Decision must be taken</b>	October 2015
<b>Reason why it was impracticable for decision to be on the Forward Plan</b>	This decision is currently listed on the Forward Plan, but is scheduled for a decision in November. The making of the decision can not be delayed until November due to the effect it would have on overarching programme delivery timescales.
<b>Reason why the decision cannot wait for inclusion in the next Forward Plan</b>	The decision needs to be made earlier than publicised (i.e. in October) because a delay would incur further programme slippage, which would affect the availability of the accommodation and additional school places at the Phoenix School for September 2016. The Council is obliged to deliver extra school places and these works are part of the Primary Investment Strategy, and linked to the Fairer Future objective of a guaranteed primary place for every child. The building is also currently secured by security guards and dogs at a cost to the Council, and needs to be made weather-tight to avoid further deterioration of the roof and windows; the level of deterioration was unknown until a recent detailed roofing and windows survey.
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