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Specialist Provision Capital Fund: Short Plan

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The Government has committed £215 million of capital funding to help local authorities create new school places and improve existing facilities for children and young people with SEN and disabilities, in consultation with parents and providers.
- 1.2 For Derby, £825,486 of specialist provision capital funding has been allocated over a three year period between 2018-19 and 2020-21 as follows:

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Special Provision Fund	
2018/19 Allocation	£275,162
2019/20 Allocation	£275,162
2020/21 Allocation	£275,162
Total Allocation	£825,486

- 1.3 The capital funding can be used to improve special provision for children and young people with Education, Health and Care (EHC) plans. Local authorities may combine their special provision funding allocation with other capital funding.

2.0 Specialist Provision Proposals

- 2.1 Derby City Council is committed to improving outcomes for children and young people with SEND. Following very careful consideration and initial consultation with parent representatives, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) partners and headteachers, strategic proposals were developed to improve Derby's specialist provision for children and young people with SEND and to meet with the national SEND reforms.
- 2.2 The specialist provision proposals included capital investment to increase and improve accommodation for primary and secondary pupils with

communication and interaction needs at Enhanced Resource Schools as follows:

Meadow Farm Primary School – Proposal to establish 14 places for primary pupils with communication and interaction needs.

The Bemrose School – Proposal to improve and increase accommodation for secondary pupils with communication and interaction needs.

3.0 Consultation

3.1 Consultation on the strategic city-wide specialist provision proposals took place over a six week period between 6 November 2017 and 15 December 2017.

3.2 The Council is very carefully considering all responses and the outcome of the consultation is likely to be reported to Council Cabinet in June 2018, when decisions will be taken on the proposals in light of responses received. The proposals for the specialist provision capital funding will be included in the report to Council Cabinet.

4.0 Plan for Specialist Provision Capital Funding

4.1 Subject to Council Cabinet's consideration of consultation responses and approval of proposals, the Council's plan for spending the specialist provision capital funding, including how the funding will be specifically allocated, will be published on the Local Offer website in Summer 2018.