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Briefing note

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Title of Briefing: Education Capital Investment – Update

Purpose of Briefing

This Briefing Note provides Schools Forum with the most up to date information associated with the Education Capital Investment across the school estate.

1. Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP 1)

John Spence Community High School; new build solution funded via Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP – NE3)

- Works commenced on site in June 2015 (Sir Robert McAlpine contracted via Education Funding Agency)
- Delays incurred as a consequence of archaeological findings. Those findings were analysed and documented.
- Revised occupancy / transfer to new school end of October 2016
- Demolish existing building and associated external works to April 2017

Longbenton Community College; new build PFI solution funded via Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP – NE1)

- Currently on site (Galliford Try contracted via Education Funding Agency)
- Planned occupancy / transfer to new school September 2016
- Demolish existing buildings and associated external works to April 2017

Marden High School; new build solution funded via Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP – NE3)

- Work commenced on site June 2015 (Sir Robert McAlpine contracted via Education Funding Agency)
- Planned occupancy / transfer to new school September 2016
- Demolish existing buildings and associated external works to April 2017

Whitehouse Primary School; new build solution funded via Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP – NE3)

- Works commenced on site May 2015 (Sir Robert McAlpine contracted via Education Funding Agency)
- Works nearing completion
- Occupancy / transfer to new school 11 April 2016
- Demolish existing buildings and associated external works to September 2016

2. Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP 2)

Cullercoats Primary School; was identified as a successful bid under PSBP2 in February 2015. A scoping exercise was undertaken on behalf of the Education Funding Agency in April 2015. Information received in December 2015 has identified that Cullercoats Primary School will be subject to further feasibility studies to identify the extent and programme of works to be completed. It is likely that this work will be undertaken between June 2016 and February 2017. This exercise will determine if the investment will be in respect of full replacement or refurbishment of the accommodation. It is indicated that the procurement solution would follow with a view to commencing construction / development works in October 2017.

3. Section 106 Funded Projects

Backworth Park Primary School; new build solution funded via Section 106 contributions in relation to local housing developments

- Full Planning Approval secured 27th October 2015
- Contractor to be appointed by Northumberland Estates
- Commencement on site and anticipated occupancy date to be confirmed to align with housing development programme.

4. 2015/16 Capital Maintenance Programme

The approved Capital Maintenance Programme was fully delivered with 26 schools benefitting from investment.

5. 2016/17 Capital Maintenance Programme

Following the formal Government announcement on 9 February 2015 confirming the capital allocations for 2015/16 to 2017/2018 (indicative), the Strategic Investment and Property Team have now consulted with all schools on the priority projects to be delivered during the new financial year. Individual meetings are now being held with those schools included within the programme to agree the project detail and delivery arrangements (Attached).

6. Recommendation

Schools Forum is asked to note progress on the above.