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5. **Coventry One Strategic Plan and Education Capital Programme 2025 - 2029** (Pages 3 - 4)

Report of the Director of Childrens and Education

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Briefing note for Agenda item 6

To: Cabinet

From: Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

Date: 17 March 2026

Subject: Coventry One Strategic Plan and Education Capital Programme 2025 - 2029

1 Purpose of the Note

- 1.1 To inform the Cabinet of the recommendations arising from an item on One Strategic Plan and Education Capital Programme 2025 - 2029 considered at the meeting on 12 March 2026

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee recommend that Cabinet:
- 1) Accept the recommendations in the report
 - 2) Consider the comments made by Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee below

3 Information and Background

- 3.1 At its meeting on the 12th March 20206, Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee considered a report on the One Strategic Plan. The committee considered the presentation and report. Members asked questions and sought assurance on issues including:
- The possibility of locating new primary, secondary and special school provision on the same site when opportunities allow
 - The work being undertaken to ensure schools are supported to develop the skills in staff that they need to support Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) provision in mainstream settings
 - The impact of the increase in SEND needs across Coventry schools and what plans place are in place to support this
 - The number of additional places for SEND provision that will be created by the new Woodlands School and the impact of this on places in mainstream schools.
 - How Coventry is planning for the government's proposed changes to the SEND system
 - The accuracy of forecasting in areas where large scale development is planned, such as Eastern Green, in the light that land initially allocated for a school on the Bannerbrook estate was subsequently released for further housebuilding

- Implementation of timescales for the planned expansion
- How future expansion plans are monitored and the measures that are put in place to ensure that any planning provision or permission put in place is retained and not lost.

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