


Individual Mayoral Decision Proforma Decision Log No: <u>135</u>	 TOWER HAMLETS
Report of: Debbie Jones, Corporate Director Children's Services	Classification: Unrestricted
Academy Conversion, St. Paul's Way Trust School	

Is this a Key Decision?	Yes
Decision Notice Publication Date:	15 August 2016
General Exception or Urgency Notice published?	Yes
Restrictions:	Public
Reason for seeking an Individual Mayoral Decision:	To enable academy conversion on 01 September 2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report asks for Mayoral approval for assignment of the commercial transfer related to the academy conversion of St Paul's Way Trust School. A Mayoral decision is sought to enable the school to convert to academy status on 1 September 2016.

1. REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS

- 1.1 St Paul's Way School Trust School received an academy order on 26 May 2016 and has indicated its wish to convert to an academy on 1 September 2016 ahead of the new 2016-17 academic year.
- 1.2 Upon conversion, the school will become a member of its own Multi Academy Trust (MAT). MATs are groups of academies who come together to form a charitable company, with a single group of "members" and a single group of trustees or directors

2. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 2.1 There is no alternative to the planned course of action. Once the application from a Governing Body has been approved by the Secretary of State the expectation is that the local authority will work with the school in all transfer matters. The Council is required by the Academies Act to proceed with academy conversions.

Full details of the decision sought, including setting out the reasons for the recommendations and/or all the options put forward; other options considered; background information; the comments of the Chief Finance Officer; the concurrent report of the Head of Legal Services; implications for One Tower Hamlets; Risk Assessment; Background Documents; **and other relevant matters are set out in the attached report.**

DECISION

Recommendations:

The Mayor is recommended to:

1. Approve the Council to put into effect the commercial transfer
2. Authorise the Corporate Director Children's Services, in conjunction with the Corporate Director Law, Probity and Governance and Corporate Director Resources to enter into and undertake any remaining issues associated with the conversion
3. Authorise the Director Law, Probity and Governance in consultation with the Corporate Director Children's Services to enter into all documentation required to achieve this

APPROVALS


1. (If applicable) Corporate Director proposing the decision or his/her deputy

I approve the attached report and proposed decision above for submission to the Mayor.

Signed  Date 23/08/16

2. Chief Finance Officer or his/her deputy

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.

Signed  Date 23/8/16

3. Monitoring Officer or his/her deputy

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.

(For Key Decision only – delete as applicable)


I confirm that this decision:-

- (a) has been published in advance on the Council's Forward Plan OR
- (b) is urgent and subject to the 'General Exception' or 'Special Urgency' provision at paragraph 18 or 19 respectively of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Signed  Date 23/8/16

4. Mayor

I agree the decision proposed in paragraph above for the reasons set out in paragraph X in the attached report.

Signed  Date 23/8/16