

ST. LAWRENCE SCHOOL: APPROVAL OF DRAWINGS

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PROPOSITION

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion -

- (a) to approve drawings nos. M493/01, 2588WD51, 53-55, 57-61, 64 and 66-68 showing the proposed extension to and remodelling of St. Lawrence School;
- (b) to authorise the Greffier of the States to sign the said drawings on behalf of the States.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- NOTES:
- 1. The Planning and Environment Committee approved these drawings under Development Permit No.8262/G, dated 23rd July 1998.
 - 2. The Finance and Economics Committee comments are to follow.

Report

St. Lawrence School, which has only four permanent classrooms, is now full and is utilising three additional temporary classrooms. The number of pupils attending this school is currently 156 and, by September 1998 will reach almost 170. It is predicted that the school population will remain at, or just above, this level for between five and eight years. The school also has very poor quality toilet, staff and storage facilities, limited space for communal or shared activities and almost no space for special educational needs teaching.

To cater for this growth and to provide suitable modern accommodation in which to deliver the modern Jersey curriculum, the Committee intends to extend and modernise the school. Due to the nature and complexity of the scheme it is necessary to carry out this redevelopment in one contract phase. This had, in turn, necessitated the decanting of the whole school into additional temporary classrooms for the period of the contract, situated on the adjacent play ground.

At the end of this contract the school will have seven purpose-built classrooms, individual class based and communal shared teaching-resource areas, a new library, new and larger toilet areas, a music/general purpose room, a glazed courtyard/atrium area linking the school to the previously detached Nursery Class, new and improved staff accommodation and a new boiler room and stores. In addition, the external play and activity spaces will be altered so that access can be gained from each classroom and the grounds will be moderately landscaped to provide a safer environment for the children.

The Committee has sufficient funds for this project within its current capital budget, as increased to meet building costs at current prices and therefore asks the States to approve these drawings.