STATES OF JERSEY



GREENFIELDS CENTRE, ST. SAVIOUR: APPROVAL OF DRAWINGS

Lodged au Greffe on 21st June 2005 by the Education, Sport and Culture Committee

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PROPOSITION

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

- (a) to approve Drawings Nos. 24383/3.002 (Rev. 4), 3.044 (Rev. 1), 3.045 (Rev. 1), 3.020 (Rev. 3.028, 3.023, 3.055, 3.060 (Rev. A1), 3.061(Rev. A1), 3.062 (Rev. A1), 3.063 (Rev. 3.053 (Rev. 1), 3.054, 3.070 (Rev. A1), 3.072, 4.017, 4.010 (Rev. 2), 2004/38/30 Specification showing the proposed construction of a new Greenfields Centre, St. Saviour; and
- (b) to authorise the Greffier of the States to sign the said Drawings on behalf of the States.

EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

- Notes: 1. The Environment and Public Services Committee approved these Drawings under Permit No. B/2005/0285 dated 31st May 2005.
 - 2. The Finance and Economics Committee's comments are to follow.

REPORT

Background

Greenfields Centre (formerly Les Chênes) is a special school for children aged 11 to 16 with severe emotional and behavioural difficulties. It also acts as the Island's remand centre for young people under 16 remanded by the Courts.

The existing building will become "semi-secure" with 12 beds and 4 dayplaces for those youngsters who need a safe structured environment.

Currently there are 3 "welfare beds" in the existing provision. These will transfer into the new secure centre, thus providing accommodation for up to 8 youngsters who are in need of containment, either for their own safety of that of the wider community.

The requirement to provide adequate and appropriate accommodation is statutory. There are increasing numbers of students being placed on remand whilst the school is already running at capacity. If the new provision and modifications are not approved young offenders will be referred to the prison.

A capital scheme was originally included in the 2001 Resource Plan for the 2004 programme to undertake development works at the Les Chênes Residential School to both enlarge the facility and meet Health and Safety and Child Protection measures required by H.M. Inspectors.

The reduction in the overall funding allocation to capital in the 2002 Resource Plan saw this scheme slip to 2005, where it has remained in the programme agreed in the Resource Plan approved in September this year. A budget (including estimated inflation) of £2.39 million is included in the 2005 capital programme under vote C3305.

In 2002 Dr. Kathie Bull was commissioned by the Committees for Education, Sport and Culture, Health and Social Services and Home Affairs to inspect and report on the provision for young people experiencing severe emotional and behavioural difficulties (SEBD). Dr. Bull's report highlighted deficiencies in the existing provisions and services. The 'Kathie Bull report', published in 2003, contained a number of recommendations relating to the provision of services for children and young people with emotional and behavioural difficulties and disorders.

One key recommendation was -

"to close, within one year, the remand facility for school-aged children and to design and open a new facility which was fit for purpose in the light of the review findings".

A subsequent review in February 2004 by the Children's Executive identified the Greenfields Centre for redevelopment as a structured training facility for children and for the building of a new secure care unit.

As a result of this recommendation, a feasibility study and risk assessment for the redevelopment of the Greenfields site (Les Chênes) has been completed and was approved by the Capital Projects Review Sub-Committee at its meeting on 29th November 2004.

The budget sum allocated for 2005 was based on a previous scheme to enhance the existing centre, but in response to the Kathie Bull report, the Children's Executive is proposing a more extensive new build project and minor works on the existing centre.

The proposed scheme envisages a new eight-bedroom unit to provide secure residential care. The building will have educational and sport/recreational facilities for the use of the secure unit residents and other children both resident at the Greenfields Centre and on the Youth Action Team programme.

The project has been the subject of constant critical revision, culminating in a Value Engineering Workshop. Overall, changes have been made to the brief that reduced the estimated cost to out-turn by some £0.5 million in

total. The overall cost of the project to out-turn is now estimated at some £5.25 million.

At its meeting on 24th November 2004, the Finance and Economics Committee considered and proposed an appropriate source of funding (see table below) to meet a projected shortfall in the funding requirements for the development.

Sources of funding

| Cttee | Project | Comments | |
|-------|----------------------|---|--|
| ESC | Les Creux Millennium | Funded from Millennium Vote – held in P&R Capital | |
| | Park Entrance | area | |
| ESC | D'Auvergne (La | Inflation below estimate – held in Capital Reserve | |
| | Pouquelaye) School | Vote | |
| | | Anticipated saving on project cost – final account | |
| | | mid-2006 | |
| ESC | St. Clement's School | Savings identified at tender | |
| ESC | Revenue transfer | Sum included in cash limit for operation of site in | |
| | | 2005/6 | |
| HAF | Prison Phases 2-5 | Savings identified at tender | |
| F&E | Additional inflation | Additional sum due to slippage of scheme | |
| | Criminal Offences | Balance from Estimated additional sum required | |
| | Confiscation Fund | | |

Once these additional funds have been transferred to the capital vote C3305, the Committee will have sufficient funds to complete the work. This sum includes provision for inflation to completion of the project. Competitive tenders for the development are in the process of being obtained and it is anticipated that the Committee will have sufficient funds to proceed and to let the contract in August 2005.

The Children's Executive confirm that in respect of the new secure build there will be no further manpower implications and any financial pressures will be dealt with from within Children's Executive budgets.

The Committee therefore asks the States to approve these drawings and to permit the project to proceed as planned.

List of Stamped Approved Drawings

| Drawing Number | Revision Number | P&E Nur | nbers |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| _ | | A | Location Map |
| 2438/3.002 | 4 | В | Site Plan |
| 2438/3.044 | 1 | C | Elevations Plan |
| 2438/3.045 | 1 | D | Sectional Elevations |
| 2438/3.020 | 3 | E | Residential Unit Plan |
| 2438/3.028 | | F | Residential Unit Sectional Elevations |
| 2438/3.023 | | G | Residential Unit Elevations |
| 2438/3.055 | | Н | Residential Unit Sections |
| 2438/3.060 | A1 | I | Secure Unit Setting Out 1 |
| 2438/3.061 | A1 | J | Secure Unit Setting Out 2 |
| 2438/3.062 | A1 | K | Secure Unit Setting Out 3 |
| 2438/3.063 | A1 | L | Secure Unit Setting Out 4 |
| 2438/3.053 | 1 | M | Secure Unit Sections 1 |
| 2438/3.054 | | N | Secure Unit Sections 2 |
| 2438/3.070 | A1 | O | Fire Plan 1 |
| 2438/3.072 | | P | Fire Plan 2 |
| 2438/4.017 | | Q | Residential Unit Detail |
| 2438/4.010 | 2 | R | Foundation Detail |
| May 2005 | A | S | Building Specification |
| 2004/38/30 | T1 | T | Drainage Layout |