Local authority disapplication request supporting information

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Disapplication request - supporting information

| UKPRN | Not supplied |
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| What does your disapplication request relate to? | General (schools and central school services) |
| Have any other options been considered? | Yes, we have considered other options |
| Explain briefly what other options were considered? | If no application to disapply was made, that would mean that James Calvert Spence funding would retain Year 5 funding, and there would be no funding to distribute between the First schools retaining their Year 5 students as the first phase of their transition to Primary. |
| Why were these other options you considered discounted? | It is anticipated there will not be sufficient funding in the Schools Block to "double fund" the students at both James Calvert Spence College and the Primaries, therefore the principle of the "funding following the pupil" has been applied, as the fairest approach, despite this requiring a disapplication |

| Why is this request the local authority's preferred option? | The request will support the overall re-organisation in the Coquet partnership area, as it moves to a standard Primary Secondary Model, as decided through a wider School Consultation exercise and reported to NCC Cabinet. |
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| What will be the impact on schools if the disapplication is approved? | There will be a transfer of funds from James Calvert Spence College, to the feeder First / Primary Schools to reflect the fact the feeder Schools will retain Year 5 pupils from September 2024. |
| Will there be any negative financial impact on schools? | Yes, there will be a negative impact on school funding |
| What steps have you taken to protect pupil educational outcomes? | A wider Education consultation was undertaken with all Schools in the Partnership to determine their views as to the best model for the area. The move to a standard two tier model was agreed to be the best way forward both in terms of educational outcomes and for the medium term financial sustainability of the Schools involved. |
| What steps have you taken to protect the school(s) education provision? | As well as the consultation exercise, a staffing protocol in in place to minimise redundancies from the reorganisation provide some stability and continuity. |

| What will be the impact on the local authority if the disapplication is approved? | It is estimated that funding to James Calvert Spence College will be reduced by £232,172 for 2024/23 and this funding will be redistributed to the feeder primary schools retaining their pupils into Year 5. There will be no net impact to the LA. |
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| Has an up to date financial modelling been completed? | Yes |
| Upload financial modelling copy | JCSC_modelling_24-25.xlsx |
| What considerations and local factors have informed your request? | All foreseeable wider impacts were considered as part of the wider School Consultation. |
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| Declaration 1 | The details I have provided are correct to the best of my knowledge |
| Declaration 2 | I have the authority to submit this request on behalf of the local authority |