

## DECISION UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Subject	Planning application R20/0889 for the demolition of combined garage and store building and erection of a two-storey science block (1,575m2 GIA) with external courtyard, replacement car parking, associated landscaping and related works in conjunction with the planned increase in the capacity of the school from 4 forms of entry (960 children) to 5 forms of entry (1,170 children) at Lawrence Sheriff School, Clifton Road, Rugby, CV21 3AG
Officer Requesting Decision	Planning Officer
Officer Making the Decision	Executive Director
Authority for Decision	Delegated authority under paragraph 2.1 (b) of Part 2B of Rugby Borough Council's Constitution – the Executive Director is authorised for committees in cases of urgency and in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the relevant committee and the Leader or, in his absence, another nominee of the main opposition group, to make decisions on behalf of the committee, all such decisions to be reported to the next ordinary meeting of the relevant committee.
Recommendation	To approve planning application R20/0889 subject to the conditions and informatives set out within the report to planning committee (as updated by the presentation to planning committee and consultation responses from Members as part of the Urgency Procedure).
Alternatives considered and rejected	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To approve planning application R20/0889 subject to different conditions and informatives.</li> <li>2. To refuse planning application R20/0889.</li> </ol>
Decision	Approve
Reason	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The proposal for a new science block provides increased pupil capacity to help address the needs of the school, as well as the deficit of secondary school places in the Rugby catchment area.</li> </ol>

	<p>2. The building will use a modern and robust modular build system, that delivers quality design to complement the historic significance of the site.</p> <p>3. The building is sited in association with the other modern educational facilities, creating a three 'wing' layout that will not harm the protected trees on site.</p> <p>4. The scheme will see the loss of three parking spaces, however with the Schools sustainable location in Rugby Town this is not considered to have a detrimental impact on the proposal.</p> <p>5. Overall, the public benefit the scheme delivers is seen to outweigh any harm caused (all be it extremely minimal) to the protected heritage assets.</p> <p>6. Accordingly, the application is considered to be in accordance with the NPPF and the Local Plan.</p>
Date	4 February 2021
Background Papers	<p>Presentation and report to Planning Committee (3 February 2021) in relation to planning application R20/0889 prepared by Frances Keenan.</p> <p>Email dated 4 February 2021 at 16:32 from Frances Keenan, setting out revised condition 9 and informative 2 following consultation responses from Members as part of the Urgency Procedure.</p>
Decision record kept until	4 February 2027
Background papers kept until	4 February 2025

Signed.....

Dated.....04/02/21.....