

WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF DECISION

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF SCHOOL LAND

Notice is hereby given that Councillor Paul Swaddle, Cabinet Member for Finance and Smart City, has made the following executive decision on the above mentioned subject for the reasons set out below.

The Council is required to transfer the title of land which it holds for the purposes of a school which falls within the remit of the School Standards & Framework Act 1998.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Cabinet Member for Cabinet Member for Finance and Smart City approved the transfer of freehold titles at St Augustine's CE Primary School, St Mary of the Angels RC Primary School, and Westminster Cathedral RC Primary School, as set out in paragraph 4.4 below, in accordance with the provisions of the School Standards & Framework Act 1998.

3. Reasons for Decision

- 3.1 Under the School Standards & Framework Act 1998 (the Act) the City Council is required to transfer land (other than playing fields) which is held or used by a local authority for the purposes of the school to the governing body, the foundation body or the trustees of any school that falls within the remit of this legislation. The land is to be transferred for nil consideration, to be held by them for the purposes of the school. The City Council in accordance with the Act will be responsible for the legal costs of the Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church and the London Diocesan Board for Schools (Church of England) in respect of each transfer.
- 3.2 Schools which fall within the remit of the Act are usually, but not limited to, the following: foundation schools, voluntary controlled and voluntary aided schools and foundation special schools.
- 3.3 The Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church and the London Diocesan Board for Schools (Church of England) (Diocesan authorities) are entitled under the Act to the transfer to them of the land forming the various school sites listed in this report and the Diocesan Authorities have requested the City Council to carry out these transfers.

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