BANDON HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Context

Bandon Hill Wood Field and Oak Field opened in September 2013. This was an expansion from 2 to 6 forms of entry plus a base for children with ASD. This was in order to meet the demands of the rising birth rate within Sutton. Both sites cover the whole primary age range and are currently at capacity, with waiting lists in all year groups. The school will continue to grow with an additional intake of 126 pupils per year until it is full in September 2019. The total number on role will be 1395 pupils.

Points to consider regarding removal of Growth Funding from Bandon Hill – Wood Field and Oak Field

- Wood Field and Oak Field are new entities, on a separate site from Bandon Hill Meadow Field – there is no infra-structure already in place for Year 4, 5 or 6 (Year 6 at Oak Field)
- Staff in KS2 - No Year 4, 5 or 6 staff (and expertise) are currently employed at the Wood Field site. No Year 6 staff employed at Oak Field.
- Along with other schools in the borough there is also a cut in funding for the ASD base
- Drop Growth Funding from 80K to 51K for the first year (April 2017)
- Stagger the removal of the Growth Funding to allow for a plan for the remaining 2 years
- Local Authority to approve a deficit budget to enable the school to manage for the next three years until the January census figures trigger funding annually