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QUESTIONS AT ANY TIME TO CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Response by the Portfolio Holder:

Corporate Property are working with schools to ensure that they are able to make use safely of buildings that are not part of the school, but are assets which are routinely used by schools. What this means in context depends on each individual school's situation, but would cover community and village halls, leisure centres, colocated library facilities, and so forth.

As part of the school's own planning and risk assessment, they will need to assure themselves that those premises are able to be used form a basic building compliance standpoint (legionella, fire safety, etc). Corporate Property and relevant partners in and outside the local authority are working together on behalf of the schools to advise and guide the managers of those premises as to what needs to be in place or done, so that those premises can give that assurance to the schools.

Additional to this, schools will also need to risk assess their plans to make use of those premises, and to plan what control measures (particularly cleaning) will need to be in place. This is much more individual to each school's situation. Dependent on the local circumstances in each case, schools may decide not to make use of those premises, or may seek to have sole use of them. Between those two extremes, there will be a spectrum of options for shared use.

On the assumption that basic building safety and compliance checks are in order, dual use can begin from 1st September.