

## **Monthly Bulletin 19 on BSF Programme: February/March 2007**

Main developments since the last monthly bulletin are as follows:

### **Progress on Walthamstow projects**

The following were achieved in February/March for Walthamstow schools:

- (a) Planning consent was granted for the proposals for Bremmer and Kelmscott Schools in February and for Walthamstow School for Girls in March
- (b) Further meetings were held with Governing Bodies on progress on the project and agreement was reached with the temporary Governing Body of Bremmer in relation to the school's contribution to the costs of the PFI scheme
- (c) Works started on both the Bremmer School and on Kelmscott under an early Works agreement, to help to ensure that the programmes of works for those two schools remained on target.

Meanwhile, work has continued on finalising the details of designs for the 3 sample schemes and on the wider ICT offer for Walthamstow secondary schools. 1:50 drawings have now been completed and signed off for every room in the three schools, and the bulk of work round agreeing detailed proposals round both ICT and construction is drawing to a close.

The target date for reaching Financial Close (i.e. signing all contracts and establishing a Local Education Partnership) is now the end of April.

School Organisation Committee also agreed the proposal to amalgamate St Helen's Infants and St Mary's Junior schools to create a new primary.

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