

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLES SERVICE**

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR**

**A DOUBLE CLASSROOM MOBILE AT  
CLIPSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL, HIGH STREET,  
CLIPSTON, MARKET HARBOROUGH, LE16 9RU**

The school is currently enjoying an increase in numbers due to its successful academic record and popularity within the local area. It has enjoyed good Ofsted reports in the past and is well respected within the local community. The original school opened in 1667 and has been in continuous use as a school ever since. It's presence on the High Street adds tremendous impact to the street scene and is much admired and well loved by the local villagers and visitors alike.

Some of the classrooms in the original part of the building are very small and not suited to teaching large class sizes. The demands of the modern curriculum does not lend itself to such small rooms and the teaching of multiple year groups within class is not satisfactory. A review has been carried out by Senior Education Officers and their conclusion is to provide suitable accommodation for modern teaching and in the short term a mobile classroom is the best option.

It is therefore proposed to provide general teaching accommodation in a double classroom mobile and utilise the accommodation within the original school building for specialist teaching and smaller group work. There is no intention to alter the listed building in anyway as the accommodation contained within is a valuable resource and can be put to good use by the school albeit for slightly different purposes than at present.

If the proposed development can take place it will ensure that Clipston Primary School has the resources to deliver good quality teaching in a lovely historic environment.

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