

Appendix B

Beechwood, Highwood and Loddon Primary School consultation process

These schools have generated much less interest (and no significant adverse comments) relating to these proposals in the period prior to the publication of formal proposals.

Loddon Primary School

8 comments received to date – the only significant concerns were about traffic management around the school.

A consultation event was held on 28th November 2016.

Beechwood & Highwood Primary Schools

No adverse comments received.

Beechwood Primary School consultation event was held on 23rd November 2016.

Highwood Primary School consultation event was held on 22nd February 2017.

Beechwood, High wood and Loddon Schools

In all cases no substantive objections relating to school organisation matters were received.

Local residents have some concerns over the management of school run traffic, but these are issues that will be dealt with in the planning approval process through conditions attached to the planning consent.

Statutory Consultation Process

The statutory consultation commenced with a notice published in a local newspaper on Thursday 2nd February 2017 (with a representation period concluding on 2nd March 2017), email notifications to schools and key partners and full details on the Council's website.

Consultation Notice

This is the text of the notice in the Reading Chronicle published on 2nd February 2017.

“WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL: ENLARGEMENT OF FOUR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Wokingham Borough Council intends to make prescribed alterations to the following four schools:

a) Aldryngton Primary School, Silverdale Rd, Earley, Reading RG6 7HR (Category: Community School) from 01 September 2017

It is proposed to expand the school to provide accommodation for two full forms of entry.

A programme of works is planned to enable the school to accommodate a permanent increase in pupil numbers. If approved, an additional 15 pupils would be admitted to the relevant age group (the Reception Class age group) from September 2017 onwards.

The current capacity of the school is 315 and the proposed capacity will be 420. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 316. The current admission number for the school is 45 and the proposed admission number will be 60.

a) The Beechwood Primary School Ambleside Close, Woodley. RG5 4JJ (Category: Community School) from 01 September 2017

It is proposed to expand the school to provide accommodation for two full forms of entry.

A programme of works is planned to enable the school to accommodate a permanent increase in pupil numbers. If approved, an additional 15 pupils would be admitted to the relevant age group (the Reception Class age group) from September 2017 onwards.

The current capacity of the school is 315 and the proposed capacity will be 420. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 319. The current admission number for the school is 45 and the proposed admission number will be 60.

b) Loddon Primary School. Silverdale Road, Earley RG6 7LR (Category: Community School) from 01 September 2017.

It is proposed to expand the school to provide accommodation for three full forms of entry.

A programme of works is planned to enable the school to accommodate a permanent increase in pupil numbers. If approved, an additional 30 pupils would be admitted to the relevant age group (the Reception Class age group) from September 2017 onwards.

The current capacity of the school is 420 and the proposed capacity will be 630. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 465. The current admission number for the school is 60 and the proposed admission number will be 90.

c) Highwood Primary School, Fairwater Drive, Woodley RG5 3JE (Category: Community School) from 01 September 2017.

It is proposed to expand the school to provide accommodation for two full forms of entry.

A programme of works is planned to enable the school to accommodate a permanent increase in pupil numbers. If approved, an additional 30 pupils would be admitted to the relevant age group (the Reception Class age group) from September 2017 onwards.

The current capacity of the school is 210 and the proposed capacity will be 420. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 213. The current admission number for the school is 30 and the proposed admission number will be 60.

This Notice is an extract from the four complete proposals. Copies of the complete proposals can be obtained from: Strategy and Partnerships, Children's Services Wokingham Borough Council Shute End Wokingham RG40 1BN and are published on line at <http://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-information/> (heading "School Organisation").

Within four weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending them to:

Strategy and Partnerships Team Children's Services Wokingham Borough Council Shute End Wokingham RG40 1BN

Last date for receipt of representations: 5 PM Thursday 2nd March 2017

Email:admissions.review@wokingham.gov.uk.

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Explanatory Note

Four separate proposals are published and are summarised in this composite notice, Each proposal seeks to increase capacity in one of four local primary schools, to meet demand for additional places in that school's local area."

Consultation Responses

No objections to the expansion proposals have been received.

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