

### **Themes from consultation responses**

#### **Buildings**

Building work disruptive – expansion and amalgamation  
Manage as one site

#### **Pupils**

Different pupil needs in the two schools  
Not in the interests of the children  
Playground safety / bullying

#### **School size**

840 pupils  
Too large impersonal  
Unable to have whole school events

#### **Leadership**

Two headteachers better  
Preference for / against individuals to be headteacher  
Management style  
Too much responsibility for one headteacher

#### **Budget**

Reduced funding for combined school  
Cost effective as one school

#### **Transition**

Positive to make move up  
Would benefit from continuity through to 11 years  
Transition works currently

#### **Standards**

Education standards will drop  
Will put outstanding standards at risk  
More cohesive curriculum  
Will affect the learning environment

#### **Staffing**

Staff will leave  
Would aid professional development

#### **Academy status**

Prefer / against academy status

#### **No change**

Keep schools separate/ distinct  
Outstanding schools as they are  
Don't change something that works  
No need to make changes

#### **Process**

Not enough information  
Not given all the options  
Consultation rushed  
Decision already made

#### **Ethos / Community spirit**

Maintain separate ethos  
Would feel more like a community