

## **Primary School Expansion Programme**

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#### **Annexe Ai Consultation overview and themed analysis**

1. Harrow Council conducted a consultation about its proposals for the expansion of 11 primary sector schools between 10 October 2011 and 11 November 2011. This Annexe presents a summary of the outcomes to assist Cabinet members and provides all other interested parties with an overview. The full consultation responses have been made available to elected members and are available as background papers to the Cabinet report.

#### **Background**

2. The consultation was preceded by extensive work undertaken by officers in close collaboration with schools. Harrow schools have opened additional temporary Reception classes each year since 2009 and discussions have occurred with schools about the lessons to be learned. These experiences and the analysis of school roll projection data have informed the consultation proposals. The consultation has been about primary sector schools only at this stage. Work is being undertaken to consider the implications of increased demand for school places on the secondary and special school sectors, and additional proposals may be presented for consultation in due course.
3. A letter was sent to all schools on 30 June 2011 asking them to consider the role they can fulfil to help meet the demand for additional school places, including whether they are interested in being considered for expansion as well as for temporary additional classes. The responses have been very helpful and have helped to inform the consultation proposals.
4. During the Summer officers worked with a representative group of headteachers to help develop proposals. A set of principles were identified to be applied to all schools to help identify schools to propose for expansion, and during the summer school holiday officers collated data in relation to the principles. This work was complex and could not be definitive, but did identify a number of schools to consider for inclusion in the consultation proposals. Schools have been considered in relation to the projected demand in each of the five geographic primary planning areas in the borough.

#### **Consultation papers and distribution**

5. Consultation papers and a response facility were put on the council's website. An item was included in October Harrow People. A detailed consultation paper with background papers and response form was prepared and made available. A summary consultation paper and response form was distributed to schools and interested parties. Schools received electronic versions of the consultation papers, text for school newsletters, and a

Powerpoint presentation. Officers attended parent and governor meetings as invited by schools.

### Consultation responses

6. Two questions were asked in the consultation, with the option to respond 'Yes', 'No', or 'Not Sure'. Opportunity was given for comments to be added if the respondent wished to do so. Respondents were invited to provide monitoring information to assist with analysis of the consultation in accordance with council policy. The following sections provide summary analysis of the responses and comments received.

### Consultation questions asked

7. The first consultation question was "Do you agree with the proposals for an individual Primary Planning Area?". Respondents were asked to state which Primary Planning Area their response related to.

Response	Number	Percentage
Yes	187	26.23%
No	395	55.40%
Not Sure	121	16.97%
No Response	10	1.40%
Total	713	100.00%

8. The second consultation question was "Do you agree with the proposals for the permanent expansion of an individual school?". Respondents were asked to state which school their response related to.

Response	Number	Percentage
Yes	185	25.95%
No	426	59.75%
Not Sure	96	13.46%
No Response	6	0.84%
Total	713	100.00%

### Range of responses from schools

9. There was a wide numerical range in the number of responses received from school communities. Numbers of responses ranged from single figures, to responses from one school that numbered over half the total responses.
10. 411 of the responses to Question 2 related to Belmont School (about 58% of the total responses). Responses in relation to the 11 other schools named in the consultation proposals varied from 93 responses to 1 response. This scale of response from one school inevitably affects the overall picture. For illustrative purposes only, if the responses in relation to Belmont School are excluded from the analysis the totals for Question 2 are as follows: Yes = 152; No = 86; Not Sure = 58; No Response = 6.

11. The response to Question 2 by school named in the consultation proposals is as follows.

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>	<b>No Reply</b>	<b>Total</b>
Aylward	5	13	12	0	30
Belmont	33	340	38	0	411
Camrose	11	1	4	0	16
Cedars Manor	1	0	0	0	1
Glebe	1	0	0	0	1
Kenmore Park Infant	14	2	4	0	20
Kenmore Park Junior	12	2	7	0	21
Kenmore Park (not specific)	8	0	1	0	9
Marlborough	1	2	0	0	3
Pinner Park Infant	1	0	0	0	1
Pinner Park Junior	1	4	0	0	5
Pinner Park (not specific)	1	5	0	0	6
Pinner Wood	0	1	0	0	1
Stanburn First	50	14	5	1	70
Stanburn Junior	1	3	0	0	4
Stanburn (not specific)	7	12	0	0	19
Vaughan	10	9	7	0	26
Welldon Park Infant	3	1	1	1	6
Welldon Park Junior	9	2	4	0	15
Welldon Park (not specific)	2	0	1	0	3
All Schools	5	1	0	0	6
No School Named	4	13	11	4	32
Any Other Named School	5	1	1	0	7
	<b>185</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>713</b>

**Aggregate totals of separate schools**

Kenmore Park total	34	4	12	0	50
Pinner Park total	3	9	0	0	12
Stanburn total	58	29	5	1	93
Welldon Park total	14	3	6	1	24

12. The response to Question 2 by respondent type is as follows.

Parent/Carer	348
Pupil	168
Staff	116
Governor	21
Resident	32
Other	7
No Status Given	21
Total	713

**Monitoring information**

13. When completing their responses to the consultation, respondents were invited to provide information about how they perceive their social identity to assist with monitoring the effectiveness of the consultation outreach. Anonymous information was requested under the following categories: disability registration; ethnic group; and religion. The following tables show the responses received under these categories.

**Respondents by Disability**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Registered Disabled	12	1.7%
Not Disabled	649	91.0%
Not Stated	52	7.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>713</b>	

<b>Ethnic Group</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>% of total response</b>	
<b>Asian Or Asian British</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>52.0%</b>	
Afghan	34	Bangladeshi	18
Indian	207	Pakistani	40
Sinhalese	7	Sri Lankan Tamil	38
Other	27		
<b>Black or Black British</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	
African	6	Caribbean	17
Ghanaian	14	Nigerian	11
Somali	21	Other	0
<b>Other Ethnic Group</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>7.7%</b>	
Arab	17	Chinese	4
Iranian	4	Iraqi	25
Kurdish	2	Lebanese	1
Other	2		
<b>Mixed</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	
White/African	3	White/Caribbean	2
White/Asian	10	Other	3
<b>White</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>23.8%</b>	
Albanian	5	British	114
Gypsy/Roma Traveller	1	Irish	3
Irish Traveller	0	Polish	7
Romanian	30	Serbian	0
Other	10		
<b>Did Not Specify</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>713</b>		

**Respondents by Religion**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Agnostic	1	0.1%
Baha'l	0	0.0%
Buddhism	9	1.3%
Christianity	127	17.8%
Hinduism	162	22.7%
Humanist	0	0.0%
Islam	172	24.1%
Jainism	8	1.1%
Judaism	5	0.7%
Rastafarian	0	0.0%
Sikhism	3	0.4%
Zoroastrian	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
No Religion	30	4.2%
Prefer not to say	21	2.9%
Not Stated	175	24.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>713</b>	

**Themed analysis of comments received**

14. Comments received have been themed to assist with an overview of the range of matters raised. Tables of these themes are given in Annexe Aii, and exemplar comments are included to illustrate this themed analysis. No weighting is applied to the comments and this summary is not intended as a substitute to reading the consultation responses received (see background papers to the Cabinet report). A number of comments are effectively repeated by many respondents, some others may have been made once or a very few times.
15. Officer comment is given at the end of each theme in the tables in Annexe Aii. The consultation responses and respondent comments will be available to governing bodies of schools proposed for expansion to consider as part of their preparation and implementation work.
16. The themes identified are as follows and are not listed in any priority or weighted order:
  - Impact on the children and on education standards
  - Traffic congestion
  - Space constraints at the school
  - Size of school
  - Impact on facilities and activities at the school
  - Impact on the school
  - Impact on other schools
  - Community ethos

- Undersubscribed school and mobility of children
- Alternative proposals

**Analysis of the comments received from schools named in the consultation papers**

17. The twelve schools named in the consultation papers as proposed for expansion are listed in Annexe Aiii together with summary of the responses received in relation to each school and officer comment.

**Responses to the consultation from organisations and from schools not named in the consultation proposals**

18. Responses to the consultation from organisations and from schools not named in the consultation proposals are listed in Annexe Aiv.