



22nd September 2016

Dear Parent

We have been asked to send out the following statement from Cheshire West and Chester Council.

Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council have a statutory duty to provide school places. Owing to an increase in the number of children in the school's catchment area, there is a need for additional school places to be provided. The Council has agreed to consult on a proposal to expand the size of Tarporley Church of England Primary School.

Where a Local Authority proposes to permanently enlarge a school's capacity by more than 25 or more it must follow a statutory procedure set out by the Department for Education.

The Consultation

The primary purpose of this informal consultation is to seek the view of all interested parties on the principle of enlarging the school to meet the demand for additional school places in the local area. .

This consultation will run from Monday 26 September to midnight Sunday 23 October 2016 and is the first step in the process of a possible expansion. It is an opportunity for people and organisations to express their views about the proposal and to ensure that they are taken into account.

Drop in event at school

A public meeting will be held on 3 October 2016 3-6pm at Tarporley Church of England Primary School. The meeting will be a drop in event and will give the whole school community of parents, children, staff and governors as well as members of the local community the opportunity to discuss the proposal with representatives from the Council.

Please read the detailed educational consultation proposal which is available either as a hard copy from the school office or at the Council's dedicated consultation webpage.

Full details of the proposal will go live on the first day of the informal consultation on Monday 26 September and be online during the consultation period at:

- www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/tarporleycofeprimaryconsultation

How to give your views

Please note that everybody is welcome to submit comments on this educational proposal in a number of ways:





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- completing the online survey at:
[Survey Form](#)
- or emailing your comments to:
schoolplanningandpolicy@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk
- or providing feedback using a hard copy form either handed into the school office or drop in event at the school or posted to Cheshire West and Chester Council, School Organisation Team (HQ Floor 1), 4 Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BE
- Attending the consultation event at the school on 3 October 2016 from 3-6pm. Local Authority officers and school representatives will be available to answer questions and to note any comments that you would like to feedback.

Paper copies of all of the associated documentation are available upon request by emailing schoolplanningandpolicy@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk.

All feedback should be submitted by the deadline of midnight Sunday 23 October 2016.

What happens next?

Officers will then take into consideration all the consultation responses received before deciding whether the proposal should continue to the formal publication stage.

If so, a statutory Public Notice will be published, setting out Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council's intent to enlarge the school. It is anticipated that this will be published on 24 November 2016.

After the date of publication there will be a four week period in which any representations can be made to the Council. After the conclusion of this period the Council will decide whether or not to proceed with the proposal. It is anticipated that a decision will be made by the end of January 2017.

Yours sincerely

Mrs G Tyler

Chair of Governors

Mrs K Forrester

Headteacher

