

THE BAY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL – CHANGE OF AGE RANGE FULL PROPOSAL

Extract of Part 1 of Schedule 3 and Part 1 of Schedule 5 to The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools)(England) Regulations 2007 (as amended):

In respect of a Governing Body Proposal:

School details: The name, address and category of the school.

The Bay Primary Church of England (CE) Primary School, Winchester Park Rd,
Sandown, Isle of Wight PO36 9BA
Category of school – voluntary controlled

Implementation and any proposed stages for implementation

1. The date on which the proposals are planned to be implemented, and if they are to be implemented in stages, a description of what is planned for each stage, and the number of stages intended and the dates of each stage.

The all-through Church of England school will cater for boys and girls irrespective of ability, aged 4 – 16, with effect from 1 September 2018.

Objections and comments

2. A statement explaining the procedure for making representations, including —
- (a) the date prescribed in accordance with paragraph 29 of Schedule 3 (GB proposals)/Schedule 5 (LA proposals) of The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2007 (as amended), by which objections or comments should be sent to the local education authority; and
 - (b) the address of the authority to which objections or comments should be sent.

- (a) **Friday 10 November 2017**
- (b) **Within four weeks from the date of publication of these proposals (10 November 2017), any person may object or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Richard Vaughan, Deputy Head of Strategic**

Alteration description

3. A description of the proposed alteration and in the case of special school proposals, a description of the current special needs provision.

The proposal is to change the upper age range of The Bay CE Primary School so as from the 1 September 2018 the school is a 4 – 16 and not a 4 – 11 school. This will be achieved through the utilisation of Sandown Bay Academy site and buildings.

School capacity

4.—(1) Where the alteration is an alteration falling within any of paragraphs 1 to 4, 8, 9 and 12-14 of Schedule 2 (GB proposals)/paragraphs 1-4, 7, 8, 18, 19 and 21 of Schedule 4 (LA proposals) to The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2007 (as amended), the proposals must also include —

- (a) details of the current capacity of the school and, where the proposals will alter the capacity of the school, the proposed capacity of the school after the alteration;

The all-through CE school will cater for pupils between the ages of 4 and 16 and have a total capacity for 1620 pupils. The existing primary school has a capacity of 420 pupils.

- (b) details of the current number of pupils admitted to the school in each relevant age group, and where this number is to change, the proposed number of pupils to be not admitted in each relevant age group in the first school year in which the proposals will have been implemented;

For the 2018/19 academic year, the school will admit up to 60 pupils at Year R and 180 pupils at Year 7. All Year 6 pupils at the all-through school will be able to transfer automatically to Year 7 if they wish, however, additional Year 7 places will be offered if fewer than 60 children transfer to Year 7, so that the total number of children starting Year 7 is 240. Pupils will be admitted to the school in accordance with published admissions policies. It is intended that there will be no change to the oversubscription criteria used in the primary school's policy.

- (c) where it is intended that proposals should be implemented in stages, the number of pupils to be admitted to the school in the first school year in which each stage will have been implemented;

Not applicable

- (d) where the number of pupils in any relevant age group is lower than the indicated admission number for that relevant age group a statement to this effect and details of the indicated admission number in question.

Not applicable

(2) Where the alteration is an alteration falling within any of paragraphs 1, 2, 9, 12 and 13 of Schedule 2 (GB proposals) /paragraphs 1, 2, 8, 18 and 19 of Schedule 4 (LA proposals) to The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2007 (as amended), a statement of the number of pupils at the school at the time of the publication of the proposals.

The number of pupils registered at The Bay CE Primary School in the October 2017 is 421.

Implementation

5. Where the proposals relate to a foundation or voluntary controlled school a statement as to whether the proposals are to be implemented by the local education authority or by the governing body, and, if the proposals are to be implemented by both, a statement as to the extent to which they are to be implemented by each body.

The proposals will be jointly implemented by the Cornerstone Federation Governing Body and the Local Education Authority. An Implementation Group will be formed which will include School, Diocese and Local Authority representatives. They will collectively oversee the transition of the school from a 4 – 11 provision to 4 – 16 provision across the exiting site and Sandown Bay Academy site once available.

Additional Site

6.—(1) A statement as to whether any new or additional site will be required if proposals are implemented and if so the location of the site if the school is to occupy a split site.

As part of the proposal, the Bay CE Primary School will take over the existing Sandown Bay Academy site once the Academies Enterprise Trust (AET) closes the existing provision in August 2018. The site is currently leased by the Isle of Wight Council to AET but, at point of closure will revert back to the control of the IW Council who will put in place suitable arrangements to allow it to form part of the proposed 4 – 16 offer. The sites are 0.5 miles apart with safe walking routes.

(2) Where proposals relate to a foundation or voluntary school a statement as to who will provide any additional site required, together with details of the tenure (freehold or leasehold) on which the site of the school will be held, and if the site is to be held on a lease, details of the proposed lease.

The Isle of Wight Council will provide the additional site required. The detail of the tenure at this point has yet to be fully discussed and will form part of the on-going work of the Implementation Group.

Objectives

7. The objectives of the proposals.

To ensure the continuation of high quality secondary education is provided in the Sandown Bay area once the existing AET academy is closed. Failure to achieve this would mean secondary age pupils having to travel unacceptable distances to access education and a significant financial burden being placed on the local authority Home to School Transport budget.

Consultation

8. Evidence of the consultation before the proposals were published including—
- (a) a list of persons who were consulted;
 - (b) minutes of all public consultation meetings;
 - (c) the views of the persons consulted;
 - (d) copies of all consultation documents and a statement on how these documents were made available.

Formal consultation took place between 12 June 2017 and 24 July 2017.
<https://www.iwight.com/Residents/Schools-and-Learning/Schools/Sandown-Secondary-School-Consultation>

Detailed information including a link to the website and survey was provided to all relevant consultees as detailed below.

- **Parents of children at the schools (via the school)**
- **Headteacher**
- **Chair of Governors & Governors**
- **School staff**
- **Headteachers, Chairs of Governors & parents of children at all schools within 2 miles (via the schools)**
- **Diocese**
- **Staff union representatives**
- **MP & IW Councillors**
- **Media**

Public meetings were held as follows:

The Bay CE Primary School: Tuesday 20th June

- **The Bay CE Primary Staff Only Meeting: 3.45pm-4.45pm**
- **Public Meeting 1: 5.00pm-6.45pm**
- **Public Meeting 2: 7.00pm-8.45pm**

Sandown & Shanklin Rugby Club: Tuesday 27th June

- **Sandown Bay Academy Staff Only Meeting: 4.30pm-5.30pm**
- **Public Meeting 1: 6.00pm-7.45pm**
- **Public Meeting 2: 8.00pm-9.45pm**

The Bay CE Primary School Monday 3rd July

- **Area Primary Headteachers Only Meeting: 10.00am-11.30am**

Niton Primary School Monday 3rd July

- **Niton Primary Staff Only Meeting: 3.45pm-4.45pm**
- **Public Meeting: 5.00pm-6.45pm.**

The proposal was also included on the IW Council's website.

All applicable statutory requirements in relation to the proposals to consult were complied with.

Further documents regarding the consultation can be requested from Richard Vaughan on strategicdevelopmentunit@hants.gov.uk

Project costs

9. A statement of the estimated total capital cost of the proposals and the breakdown of the costs that are to be met by the governing body, the local education authority, and any other party.

Any capital cost implications linked to the proposal are yet to be defined or agreed, this will form part of the focus of the Implementation Group.

10. A copy of confirmation from the Secretary of State, local education authority and the Learning and Skills Council for England (as the case may be) that funds will be made available (including costs to cover any necessary site purchase).

Refer to 9 above

Extended services

11. If the proposed alterations affect the provision of the school's extended services, details of the current extended services the school is offering and details of any proposed change as a result of the alterations.

The proposals do not affect the provision of the Bay CE Primary School's extended services.

Need or demand for additional places

12. If the proposals involve adding places—

- (a) a statement and supporting evidence of the need or demand for the particular places in the area;

The proposal is focused on retaining appropriate secondary provision in the Sandown Bay area following the proposed closure of the Sandown Bay Academy in August 2018 by AET.

- (b) where the school has a religious character, a statement and supporting evidence of the demand in the area for education in accordance with the tenets of the religion or religious denomination;

As this is an expansion of age range of Church of England school the newly formed 4 – 16 school will also be of the same religious character.

- (c) where the school adheres to a particular philosophy, evidence of the demand for education in accordance with the philosophy in question and any associated change to the admission arrangements for the school.

Not applicable

Expansion of successful and popular schools

25A. (1) Proposals must include a statement of whether the proposer considers that the presumption for the expansion of successful and popular schools should apply, and where the governing body consider the presumption applies, evidence to support this.

(2) Sub-paragraph (1) applies to expansion proposals in respect of primary and secondary schools, (except for grammar schools), i.e. falling within:

- (a) (for proposals published by the governing body) paragraph 1 of Part 1 to Schedule 2 or paragraph 12 of Part 2 to Schedule 2;

- (b) (for proposals published by the LA) paragraph 1 of Part 1 to Schedule 4 or 18 of Part 4 to Schedule 4

of the School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools)
(England) Regulations 2007 (as amended).

The Bay CE Primary School has a strong leadership team and Governing Body and is currently rated 'Good' by Ofsted. They are a successful and popular school. They are also the closest primary school to Sandown Bay Academy. All these factors were taken into consideration in this proposal.