



Consultation: Proposed Expansion of Churchfields Primary School



Organisation and Management

- ⇒ Administration and Management
 - ⇒ School Organisation

Audience: See overleaf

Action required: The audience is invited to respond to this consultation.

Timing: The deadline for responses is Friday, 20 July 2012.

Also sent to: See overleaf

Type: Consultation

Description: Bromley Council is consulting on its proposal to permanently expand Churchfields Primary School from September 2013. Comments and views are invited by a deadline of 20 July 2012.

Relates to: Review of the Primary Schools' Development Plan 2012.

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For reader's use:

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| Audience: | <p>Head Teachers of all Bromley Maintained Schools/Academies, Kingswood and Phoenix</p> <p>Head Teachers/Principals of all Independent Schools</p> <p>Chairs of Governors of all Bromley Maintained Schools</p> <p>Principal of Bromley Adult Education College</p> <p>Principal of Bromley College of Further and Higher Education</p> <p>All Members of Bromley Council</p> <p>Co-opted Members – Education PDS Committee</p> <p>Chair, Schools Forum</p> <p>Chair, Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership</p> <p>Chair, Pre-School Learning Alliance</p> <p>Chair, Children and Families Voluntary Sector Forum</p> <p>Chief Executive, Community Links Bromley</p> <p>RC and Anglican Diocesan Bodies</p> <p>Bromley Youth Music Trust</p> <p>Metropolitan Police Borough Commander (Bromley)</p> <p>Bromley Fire Station</p> <p>Surrounding LAs (Kent, Croydon, Lambeth, Southwark, Lewisham, Greenwich, Bexley, Surrey)</p> <p>Bromley Mytime</p> <p>Community Vision Children and Family Centre</p> <p>Early Years Settings in the vicinity of Churchfields Primary School</p> <p>Bromley Health Care (Janet Ettridge)</p> <p>NHS Bromley – Business Support Unit (Angela Bahn)</p> <p>NHS Bromley – Public Health (Nada Lemic)</p> <p>NHS Bromley – Public Health (Jenny Selway)</p> <p>NHS Bromley – Partnerships (Yee Cho)</p> <p>Note: A separate letter has been sent to the Parents/Carers, Staff and Governors of Churchfields Primary School.</p> |
| Also sent to: | <p>Secretaries of Staff Associations</p> <p>Councillor Stephen Wells, Executive Member for the Education Portfolio</p> <p>Councillor Pauline Tunnicliffe, Children’s Champion</p> <p>Councillor Robert Evans, Executive Member for the Care Services Portfolio</p> <p>Councillor Nicholas Bennett, Chairman of the Education PDS Committee</p> <p>Councillor Stephen Carr, Leader of the Council</p> <p>Doug Patterson, Chief Executive</p> <p>Kay Weiss, Assistant Director (Children’s Social Care) (ECS)</p> <p>Bob Garnett, Interim Assistant Director (Education) (ECS)</p> <p>Mike Barnes, Deputy Assistant Director (Education)</p> <p>Anne Watts, Assistant Director (Strategic and Business Support Services) (ECS)</p> <p>Lorna Blackwood, Assistant Director (Commissioning) (ECS)</p> <p>ECS Management Forum</p> <p>Beckenham Library</p> <p>Beckenham Spa Leisure Centre</p> <p>Customer Services Manager, Bromley Council (CSCteamleaders@bromley.gov.uk)</p> <p>Max Winters (ECS Dept)</p> <p>Val Haskey (ECS Dept)</p> <p>Susie Clark (CEX)</p> |



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This letter outlines the case for the expansion of Churchfields Primary School and how you can respond to the consultation. **The deadline for responses is Friday, 20 July 2012.**

Following consultation in January 2010 on the proposed expansion of four Bromley Primary Schools; Bickley, Churchfields, Princes Plain and Unicorn Primary Schools, the Council took the decision not to permanently expand Churchfields Primary School and to review the decision in Spring 2012. Following this review, the Council has decided to consult on the proposal to increase the admission number for Churchfields Primary School from 30 to 60.

Bromley Council has a duty to ensure that there are sufficient school places available for all children. The Council must also ensure that the size, location, organisation and number of pupil places deliver best value in the use of public funding. The 2012 review of Bromley primary school places identified the need to increase the number of Reception places (i.e. at the age children start school) available to children at a number of schools across the Borough. You can access the relevant Report 'Review of Primary Schools' Development Plan: Outcomes' (reference DCYP12025) on Bromley Council's website (www.bromley.gov.uk).

The proposal for Churchfields Primary is to permanently expand the school from 30 to 60 Pupils at Year Reception from September 2013.

We would welcome your views and comments on our proposal. Please find some statistical information attached at **Appendix 1** which you may find helpful in considering Bromley Council's case for increasing places for children at Churchfields Primary School.



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The outcomes from consultation will be reported to the Education Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee on 11 September 2012 – this is a public meeting which starts at 7pm. If approved, the increase in school places would be effective from September 2013.

You can respond to this consultation in the following ways:

- Complete the attached form (**Appendix 2**) and return to Bromley Council (quoting Freepost MB1140)



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- Write directly to Kevin Gerred at Bromley Council, BR1 3UH (quoting Freepost MB1140)
- Email Bromley Council at: churchfields.consultation@bromley.gov.uk

When responding please give your name and address and clarify in what capacity you are responding e.g. Head Teacher – this will help with the analysis of responses.

While all responses will be acknowledged, it will not be possible for us to enter into correspondence with individual respondents. However, Bromley Council's website will be updated with information as the consultation progresses.

Views and comments received will be summarised in the consultation outcomes report to the Education Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee on 11 September 2012. This will be available to view on the Council's website a week before the meeting. Information provided in response to this consultation will be published in accordance with access to information regimes including the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We look forward to receiving your views and comments. The closing date for receipt of responses is **Friday, 20 July 2012.**

To help publicise this consultation, it would be very helpful if Schools and Early Years Settings in the Penge/Anerley/Beckenham areas, together with Beckenham Library and Beckenham Spa Leisure Centre, could display the poster attached at **Appendix 3** on their Notice Boards.



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