

STOKE-ON-TRENT CITY COUNCIL
EDUCATION AND INSPECTIONS ACT 2006
PROPOSAL TO MAKE PRESCRIBED ALTERATION TO
ST. PAUL'S CE (VC) PRIMARY SCHOOL

Notice is given in accordance with the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Stoke-on-Trent City Council, Civic Centre, Glebe Street, Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 1HH intends to make prescribed alterations to St. Paul's CofE (VC) Primary School, Byatts Grove, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent ST3 2RH.

Implementation

If a decision is made to make prescribed alterations to St. Paul's CE (VC) Primary School, the proposal will be implemented from 17 May 2022.

Objections

Within four weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to The Headteacher, St. Paul's CofE (VC) Primary School, Byatts Grove, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent ST3 2RH.

Alteration Description

It is proposed:

To re-establish the in-school Nursery provision up to a potential maximum of 39 places. Current parents are keen to see a provision re-established to support the intake of younger siblings. The school has canvassed parents and received a strong message that they want to see this provision in place to support early education. The school would initially operate a mixed Nursery and Reception class to allow for a steady growth in numbers.

Objectives

The school understands that demand does exist for provision allowing pupils to benefit from nursery provision in school. The school would also like to enhance parental choice by reintroducing the provision, therefore allowing older children to remain settled in their education rather than having to move with siblings to find alternative Nursery provision elsewhere.

Consultation

Informal discussions with parents indicate requests that this facility be reintroduced as soon as possible to support and enhance the early opportunities available to the younger siblings of our pupils and the wider local community.

This formal consultation now follows to provide wider opportunities for comment.

Project costs

There is no immediate project cost involved as all staffing, facilities and resources are in place to accommodate additional pupils. The school building, having provided nursery provision in the past, requires no further investment to accommodate this change.

Effect on other institutions

Given the level of demand in the local area, it is not anticipated that this change will impact on other providers. Children known to have expressed an early interest in such a provision do not currently attend/have access to any other settings.

Implementation plan

The school is ready to implement this recommendation from 17 May 2022, to start accepting nursery-age children from that point.

Procedures for responses

Responses should be sent to education@stoke.gov.uk by 29 April 2022.

Comments on the proposal will be considered by the local authority on 11 May 2022 and a decision made on the next steps.

Lisa Lyons
Director of Children and Family Services

30 March 2022