PUBLIC NOTICES

Northumberland
County Council

NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE REORGANISATION OF SOME MAINTAINED SCHOOLS IN THE HAYDON BRIDGE PARTNERSHIP

The following proposal falls into three categories.

CLOSURE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, that it is the intention of Northumberland County Council, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland NE61 2EF to discontinue (close) the following school;

- **Bellingham Middle School,** Redesmouth Road, Bellingham, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 2EN with effect from 31 August 2019.

Copies of the full Statutory Proposal may be obtained from:

The School Organisation and Resources Team
Education and Skills
Wellbeing and Community Health Services
Northumberland County Council
County Hall
Morpeth
Northumberland
NE61 2EF

or from the Council's website at www.northumberland.gov.uk/schoolconsultations

In order to facilitate this proposal, notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, that Northumberland County Council, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland NE61 2EF intends to make the following prescribed alterations to the schools below:

CHANGE OF AGE RANGE

a) **Bellingham First School,** Redesmouth Road, Bellingham, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 2EL by changing the age range of the school
- The current age range of Bellingham First School is 4 years to 9 years. The proposed age range for the school is 4 years to 11 years to take effect from 1 September 2019.

b) **Kielder First School,** Kielder, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 1HQ by changing the age range of the school
- The current age range of Kielder First School is 4 years to 9 years. The proposed age range for the school is 4 years to 11 years to take effect from 1 September 2019.

c) **Greenhaugh First School,** Greenhaugh, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 1LX by changing the age range of the school
- The current age range of Greenhaugh First School is 4 years to 9 years. The proposed age range for the school is 4 years to 11 years to take effect from 1 September 2019.

d) **Otterburn First School,** Otterburn, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Tyne and Wear, NE19 1JF by changing the age range of the school
- The current age range of Otterburn First School is 3 years to 9 years. The proposed age range for the school is 3 years to 11 years to take effect from 1 September 2019.

e) **West Woodburn First School,** West Woodburn, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 2RX by changing the age range of the school
- The current age range of West Woodburn First School is 4 years to 9 years. The proposed age range for the school is 4 years to 11 years to take effect from 1 September 2019.

For the purposes of providing further information, the above proposals would be approved by Northumberland County Council in conjunction with a decision by the Council to change the current age range of **Wark Church of England First School,** Wark, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 3LS from age 3 to 9 school to an age 3 to 11 school with effect from 1 September 2019.

ENLARGEMENT OF PREMISES

In order to facilitate the above proposals, notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, that Northumberland County Council County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland NE61 2EF, intends to make the following prescribed alterations to the schools below:

f) **Otterburn First School,** Otterburn, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Tyne and Wear, NE19 1JF by permanent enlargement of the premises with effect from 1 September 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter.
- The number of pupils on roll at the school in May 2018 was 32. The current published capacity of the school is 75. The proposed capacity of the school is to be 70. The current maximum number of pupils admitted at age 4 is 15. The maximum number of pupils to be admitted to the school at age 4 from 1 September 2019 and subsequent years would be 10. Nursery admission numbers would remain unchanged.

g) **Greenhaugh First School,** Greenhaugh, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 1LX by permanent enlargement of the premises with effect from 1 September 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter.
- The number of pupils on roll at the school in May 2018 27. The current published capacity of the school is 40. The proposed capacity of the school is to be 56. The current maximum number of pupils admitted at age 4 is 8. The maximum number of pupils to be admitted to the school at age 4 from 1 September 2019 and subsequent years would be 8.

In the interests of providing further information, Bellingham Middle School and Bellingham First School occupy parts of the same building and it is proposed that Bellingham First School would also occupy that area of the building in which the middle school is currently accommodated. It is also proposed that the children's centre currently located on the Bellingham schools' site would relocate within the main school building with effect from 1 September 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter.

In the interests of providing further information, it is proposed that there would be changes to the capacity and planned admission number as appropriate of the following schools:

- **Bellingham First School,** Redesmouth Road, Bellingham, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 2EL. The number of pupils on roll at the school in May 2018 was 49. The current published capacity of the school is 75. The proposed capacity of the school is to be 105. The current maximum number of pupils admitted at age 4 is 15. The maximum number of pupils to be admitted to the school at age 4 from 1 September 2019 and subsequent years would be 15.
- **Kielder First School,** Kielder, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 1HQ. The number of pupils on roll at the school in May 2018 was 11. The current published capacity of the school is 75. The proposed capacity of the school is to be 50. The current maximum number of pupils admitted at age 4 is 8. The maximum number of pupils to be admitted to the school at age 4 from 1 September 2019 and subsequent years would be 8.
- **Wark Church of England First School,** Wark, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 3LS. The number of pupils on roll at the school in May 2018 was 32. The current published capacity of the school is 75. The proposed capacity of the school is to be 70. The current maximum number of pupils admitted at age 4 is 15. The maximum number of pupils to be admitted to the school at age 4 from 1 September 2019 and subsequent years would be 10.
- **West Woodburn First School,** West Woodburn, Hexham, Northumberland, NE48 2RX. The number of pupils on roll at the school in May 2018 was 23. The current published capacity of the school is 44. The proposed capacity of the school is to be 42. The current maximum number of pupils admitted at age 4 is 10. The maximum number of pupils to be admitted to the school at age 4 from 1 September 2019 and subsequent years would be 6.

In the interests of providing further information, as set out above it is proposed to reduce the Planned Admissions Numbers (PAN) of Otterburn, West Woodburn First School and Wark Church of England First Schools with effect from 1 September 2019. It is also proposed to increase the PAN of Haydon Bridge High School from 65 to 120 into Year 7 and Year 8, and to reduce the PAN from 120 to 65 into Year 9 with effect from 1 September 2019. There would be one intake of 120 into Year 7 only at Haydon Bridge High School with effect from 1 September 2020 onwards. Should this statutory proposal be approved by the Council at a later date, proposals to reduce the published PANs of the above schools would be referred for approval to the Schools Adjudicator in accordance with the School Admissions Code 2014.

Submission of Objections and Comments on Proposals

Within four weeks after the date of publication of the above proposals **(i.e. by midnight on Thursday 7 June 2018)**, any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending their written representations to: **The Executive Director of Children's Services, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland NE61 2EF, or by email to www.northumberland.gov.uk/schoolconsultations.**

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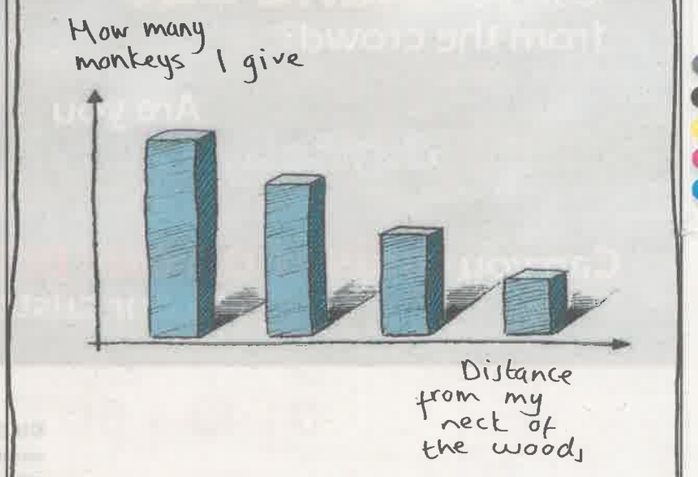

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