Responses to the statutory consultation on Hampshire's proposed school catchment changes for 2019/20

Catchment Change: Hounsome Fields and Kennel Farm developments

The consultation period opened on Friday 6 October 2017 for four weeks, closing on Friday 3 November 2017.

No responses received

Catchment Change: Leep Lane, The Haven and housing North of Clayhall Road

The consultation period opened on Friday 6 October 2017 for four weeks, closing on Friday 3 November 2017.

The consultation received one response which was fully supportive of the proposed catchment change.

The following response was received:

1)	Subject: RE: Leep Lane, The Haven and North of Clayhall Road Catchment Change
	Consultation

I note the consultation to propose catchment changes to areas within my Division.

I fully support the proposals which will be of benefit to the children involved.

Regards,

Chris Carter

C Cllr Gosport (Leesland &Town)

Catchment Change: Land South of Bursledon Road, Land at Jurd Way/West of Hamble Lane (Kingfisher Grange), Land North of Cranbury Gardens and Berry Farm developments

The consultation period opened on Monday 21 November 2016 for six weeks, closing on Monday 02 January 2017.

The consultation received eighteen responses. Thirteen responses supported the proposed shared catchment areas. Two responses preferred option two. Two

responses objected to any of the proposed changes. One response expressed no preference.

The following response was received:

1) Subject: Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect: Bursledon CE (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School, Netley Abbey Infant School and Netley Abbey Junior School

Dear Mark,

For the Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect: Bursledon CE (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School, Netley Abbey Infant School and Netley Abbey Junior School, I would like to express support for option 1, with the addition of Old Netley.

I am a resident of Old Netley (Pound Road) with my daughter attending Bursledon Junior School. I am concerned that the rest of Old Netley should also be included in the shared catchment area, particularly as there is no safe route to walk to the Netley Abbey schools from Old Netley. I know a significant number of other families in Old Netley whose children currently go to Bursledon, because it is closer and walking to school is feasible. If these new housing areas are joint catchment but the existing housing is not then parents in the existing area of Old Netley will be at a disadvantage compared with those in the new houses when it comes to applying to the Bursledon Schools. This will also be a disadvantage compared with the existing situation due to the increase in numbers.

The joint catchment will give parents choice, meaning those whose commutes take them in the other direction can drop off at Netley on Route but those of us who want to walk to school will be able to go to a school where that is feasible.

Best wishes, RFDACTFD

P.S. the post office thinks Old Netley should be considered part of Bursledon!

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Re: Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect: Bursledon CE (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School, Netley Abbey Infant School and Netley Abbey Junior School.

Dear Mark Saunders

Thank you for the consultation document you provided. The Diocesan Education Team support option number one. This option gives families the most choice as to the school they wish their child to attend and enables all of the schools to achieve good intake numbers. We understand that this is also the preferred option of Bursledon CE Infant School and of the PCC of St Paul's and St Leonard's, Bursledon. However, we would also request further consideration for 'Old Netley' to be included in the shared catchment area given its proximity to Bursledon CE Infant School and that it remains within the Ecclesiastical Parish of Bursledon.

Yours sincerely

Rob Sanders

	Deputy Director of Education, Dioceses of Portsmouth and Winchester
3)	Dear Mr Saunders,
	I would like to express my opinion that option 1 is the best catchment choice for our federation.
	Kind regards,
	Time Togal do,
	Emma Elliott
	Head of School
	Bursledon Junior School
4)	Subject: catchment options Dear Mr Saunders,
	I would like to express my opinion that option 1 is the best catchment choice for our
	federation.
	Kind regards,
5)	REDACTED Subject: Consultation on school catchment area changes affecting Bursledon C of E
	Infants and Junior (CA) schools.
	Dear Mr. Saunders,
	As a long-standing member of Bursledon Parish Church, and the parent of two children who
	both benefited from an excellent education at both the infant and Junior schools, I support
	Option 1, i.e. the establishment of a shared catchment area for Bursledon CE (Controlled)
	Infant School, and Junior (CA) school, with Netley Abbey Infant and Junior Schools. This would afford Christian families who live outside the current boundary but who regularly
	worship at either of our two churches, the right to have their children educated in a school
	which is controlled and/or affiliated to the Church of England, where Christian values are
	both taught and implemented.
	For the same reason, I would support a similar solution to the problem of the catchment
	area for the new housing development east of Dodwell Lane, although I fully appreciate
	that the transitional arrangements would go some way to easing the process.
	Yours sincerely,
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6)	Subject: Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect: Bursledon CE (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School, Netley Abbey Infant School and
	Netley Abbey Junior School
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	Dear Mr Saunders
	I am a resident of Old Netley and, having given careful thought to Hampshire County
	Council's propsals regarding school catchment areas in the light of all the new building
	currently going on around Bursledon and the local area, I would like to inform you of my
	views.
	I do appreciate that with the influx of new families changes have to be made to the
	catchment areas and of the three proposals my preference would be for number one - ie, a
<u> </u>	shared catchment area between Bursledon and Netley Schools to include the new housing

south of Bursledon Road, Kingfisher Grange and the land north of Cranbury Gardens and Berry Farm.

However, may I suggest that you also consider whether it is possible to extend this plan to include the homes in between those areas, ie homes south of Cranbury Gardens as well as the area that makes up Old Netley? It seems to make perfect sense to me to take this opportunity to make all housing to the west of Hamble Lane - from Bursledon Road in the north down to Berry Farm in the south - included in the new shared catchment area.

I have lived in Old Netley for nearly forty-three years and my own children attended Bursledon Infant and Junior schools before continuing their education at Hamble. Three of the reasons I chose to apply to Bursledon and not Netley at the time are a) because the schools were within safe and easy walking distance. I had no car at the time and the walk to Netley school from our home would have been very dangerous along roads with no pavements; b) I wanted my children to have an education at a school that had a strong Christian influence; c) all of my children's friends attended Bursledon as well so they had continuity and stability in their friendships as they transitioned to school life.

I am aware that there are families living in Old Netley who attend the local church - St Paul's is less than a five minute walk away from here - and it makes sense to me that those families should also have the choice of sending their children to a Christian school if they so desire. By omitting Old Netley and the small surrounding area, they are unlikely to be considered for places at Bursledon, given the increase in the number of homes currently being built and also those planned for the future. This does not seem very fair, in my view.

I thank you for all the work undertaken in order to make the best decision for local families and trust that you will take my views into consideration.

With kind regards

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7) Subject: Consultation Bursledon Infant(& Junior School) per Catchment Area changes re Netley Abbey Schools

Dear Mr Saunders

As a resident of Bursledon, a member of the Parochial Church Council for the Parish of Bursledon, and a parent whose children have all sucesfully attended the Bursledon Schools, I support the proposed Option 1 for the Catchment Changes adjacent to Hamble Lane and Bursledon Road.

I would however request that the Consultation reflects on the interests of the children in "Old Netley", where presently the Netley Abbey Schools receive 50% of the 50 children attending primary education, with the other 50% attending Bursledon School where parents with a local St. Paul's connection at Pilands Wood would prefer a Church School education for their children.

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8) REF: CONSULTATION ON SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREA FOR NETLEY ABBEY

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Dear Mr Saunders.

I have been instructed by the members of Hound Parish Council to reply to your letter dated

30 October 2017.

We are fortunate to have two Members of our Council who are also school governors. They have been kind enough to explain the background to this consultation at our Council meeting on the 6th November.

As a Council we are very concerned at the enormous amount of new housing that is, or will be built in the area of our parish.

For your information the parish and the schools have virtually the same area and therefore bounded by the two immovable boundaries namely the Solent and the City of Southampton boundary.

It was noted that you have offered three options. However the Council was surprised at this and comments were made suggesting that two further options could/should be considered and put forward:

Option 4 - No change

Option 5 - Delay of two years to assess the actual impact on the number of school children from the sites

We would also point out that these sites will not be fully occupied for at least 18 months (and possibly longer) for Jurd Way and 24 months for the estate south of Cunningham Gardens. The remaining two sites, the small one south of the Jurd Way development and the old Car Boot Site are still in the planning stage and therefore will be a minimum of 36 months before any occupation.

I also understand that you have not included in this consultation the new estates that are or have been built on the North side of the A27. We are aware that another consultation is or has taken place and that the occupiers of all these houses will be offered Kings Copse School, which is ludicrous as Bursledon School is nearer.

We suspect that you will not change, amend or add to this consultation/conclusion as you are limited by time. So under those circumstances, the Council would wish you to opt for option 2. We would stress that this is not our preferred option but one which is forced upon us.

This option (in our opinion) will detract from the number of children who will then be refused the option for choice of schools. The council would also like to point out that whichever option is chosen, it will result in a large increase of traffic as the majority of the new pupils will use private transport to travel to school.

Yours faithfully

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Parish Clerk

9) Dear Mr Saunders,

On behalf of the members of Bursledon Parochial Church Council

We are writing to you concerning the above consultation affecting the school catchment area changes for members of our Ecclesiastical Parish.

During our recent PCC Meeting held on Monday 13th November, we welcomed a presentation from Hilary Bax and Andrew Milchard (Chair and Vice Chair of Governors at Bursledon Infant and Junior School's) to inform us of the proposed changed to the catchment area.

After much discussion we unanimously agreed the Option 1, forming a shared catchment area to include the new housing developments on Land South of Bursledon Road, Land at Jurd Way/West of Hamble Lane (Kingfisher Grange), Land North of Cranbury Gardens and Berry Farm, is the change which should be implemented.

The reasons agreed by the PCC are:

It provides the best choice for parents/carers and for the schools involved.

- There are safe walking routes to the Bursledon Schools from all these housing developments. There are no safe routes from these developments, or Old Netley, to the Netley Abbey schools, as much of the journey is along narrow lanes without footways, where there is heavy traffic moving very quickly at peak times.
- It will help to reduce traffic volumes on Hamble Lane, which is an already heavily congested road at all times.
- It helps to provide a partial solution to the long running local problem of Bursledon Church families being within the ecclesiastical parish a brief walk from St Paul's Church, but outside the catchment area for the only church school in the neighbourhood for Christian families who wish a Church school education for their children.
- It will reduce the costs to Hampshire County Council of transporting children of Bursledon to Netley Abbey schools.

We do however, join the governors of Bursledon with their concerns that Christian residents of Old Netley are still out of catchment for their local church school, as the need for school places is increased, they will have more difficulty obtaining a Church school educations for their children.

We do feel it is extremely important to ensure measures are put in place to protect the needs of these families and reduce the possibility of admissions appeals.

Please let me know if you require a hard copy of this letter.

Kind regards

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10) Subject: Consultation on school catchment area change affecting Bursledon CE (C) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School, Netley Abbey Infant School and Netley Abbey Junior School

Dear Sir or Madam

I have reviewed the information on the website and am extremely pleased that the difficult question of catchment areas is being considered. I think that, to give parents choice and enable them to apply to local schools dependent upon their own circumstances Option 1 is the best option and I am in favour of this particularly because it assists in reducing local peak time traffic and also brings the church and school communities closer together.

As a resident of Old Netley I am disappointed that you have not taken this opportunity to consider the issues that the current lines of the catchment plan cause - namely that our children - who are within easy walking distance of the Bursledon pre-school, infant and junior school - are not given the security of being within the safety net of being within the



catchment of these excellent education providers. We have been extremely lucky that we have achieved places for our children at all of these establishments - but there has always been the chance that we would not. In practice the area of Old Netley is very much part of Bursledon and therefore it is very strange that our young people are not given these same opportunities. I am sure you are aware but in case you aren't the properties I am particularly referring to are shown coloured brown below.

Best wishes RFDACTFD

11) Subject: CONSULTATION ON SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREA CHANGES WHICH EFFECT BURSLEDON AND NETLEY ABBEY

Good Afternoon.

With reference to the letters received through my sons school – Bursledon Junior school, with relation to School catchment area changes.

We currently live in Netley Abbey and have 1 child at Bursledon Juniors and one that left Bursledon Juniors and is now in year 8 at Hamble.

We're slightly concerned that with all the new developments falling into Bursledon's catchment, that when my 2 year old son reaches the age where we are having to look at schools, he would be unable to attend our preferred school, noting this is the only Church of England School in the area. Preferably we would wish for option one (shared catchment) to enable parents to make their own decision and give others that live slightly outside of the current catchment a change of getting their child into a Church of England school.

Kind Regards, REDACTED

12) Consultation on school catchment area for Netley Abbey Junior School

As the governing body of the school, we are hugely concerned about the proposed changes to our school catchment. Our reasons for this concern are evidenced below:

- 1. At no point was an option given to keep the catchments the same
- 2. It has been directed to us that those on the north side of the M27 will be attending Kings Copse, rather than Bursledon which is the current catchment position. It would not be feasible to walk to Kings Copse from these developments. They are however, within walking distance to Bursledon. Equally, the Jurd Way development would not be feasible to walk to Bursledon, any more than it would be to get to Netley Abbey Junior School; particularly as the access to Bursledon is far more restricted than it would be to our school. There are three entrances from different roads to the Netley site, with only one for the Bursledon site.
- 3. No consultations regarding school catchments have been coordinated into one consultation
- 4. The catchment has not been consulted alongside the secondary school and The Hamble School are in agreement that they also cannot lose houses on the north side of the M27
- 5. As the school whose catchment was at risk of change, we were not consulted for 9-10 months during the beginning phase of the discussions

- 6. Our catchment is bordered by two immovable boundaries The Solent and Southampton Local Authority. This will mean that the school catchment area will be very limited and could mean that the number of children could be limited. This will also mean that places could be filled by Southampton LA which causes problems for the school whereas a Hampshire school should be for Hampshire children.
- 7. The implementation date for the change of catchment area is for the academic year September 2019-20. Basing this on projected figures and housing that isn't complete or occupied yet (especially as they are so far behind schedule) seems rash. The timeframe being considered is far too rapid, even though we recognise the need to plan strategically. The rate of build of housing doesn't seem to be catching up with your vision. Several of the developments you are working with are not even in the planning stages and are therefore several years away.
- 8. Further to this point, the land to the west of Grange Road, along with the proposed Abbey Fruit Farm development, are two years away from the start of construction. The area known as Hamble Station is subject to a further challenge in the High Court also the land to the east of Grange Road is no longer being designated for housing, so any proposals for those to be included within the catchment are null and void and the figures used for those areas ignored.

Therefore we strongly object and propose no change for at least two years; with this being reassessed following the timeframe. We appreciate responsibility for forward-planning, however the projections are too far and this should be one catchment consultation, not just a reduction of our catchment. All of the options given to us (as you can see from the evidence above) are incorrect and so, as the situation currently stands, we cannot be expected to agree to any extent. Yours sincerely,

Mr John Forder on behalf of the Governing Body of Netley Abbey Junior School

Response to consultation on school catchment area changes which affect Bursledon Church of England (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School (Church Affiliated), Netley Abbey Infant School and Netley Abbey Junior School

Dear Mr Saunders

Thank you for the consultation document and the efforts which have been made to meet the varying needs of the different school and local communities.

Governors discussed the proposals in detail on 2nd November and unanimously agreed that Option 1, forming a shared catchment area to include the new housing developments on Land South of Bursledon Road, Land at Jurd Way/West of Hamble Lane (Kingfisher Grange), Land North of Cranbury Gardens and Berry Farm, is the change which should be implemented.

Our reasons are as follows:

- It provides the best choice for parents and carers
- It is the fairest option for both the Bursledon and Netley Abbey schools

- There are safe routes to the Bursledon schools from all these housing developments. There are no safe routes from these developments, or Old Netley, to the Netley Abbey schools, as a considerable part of the journey is along narrow lanes without footways, where there is heavy, fast moving traffic at peak times
- It will reduce the amount of traffic on Hamble Lane, a very congested road at all times
- It provides a partial solution to the long running local problem of Bursledon Church families being within the ecclesiastical parish and a few minutes' walk from St Paul's Church, but outside the catchment area for the only Church school in the neighbourhood for Christian parents wishing to have a Church school education for their children
- It will reduce the cost to Hampshire County Council of transporting children from Bursledon to the Netley Abbey schools.

However, governors remain concerned that Christian residents of Old Netley are still out of catchment for their local Church school and that, with the expected increased pressure on school places, it is likely that they will have increasing difficulty in obtaining places at Bursledon for a Church School education for their children.

Governors believe that it is important that measures are put in place to protect the needs of these families and reduce the likelihood of admissions appeals.

Kind regards

Hilary Bax Chair of Governors

14) Consultation on school catchment area for Netley Abbey Junior School

As Headteacher of the school, I am hugely concerned about the proposed changes to our school catchment. My reasons for this concern are evidenced below:

- 1. At no point was an option given to keep the catchments the same
- 2. It has been directed to us that those on the north side of the M27 will be attending Kings Copse, rather than Bursledon which is the current catchment position. It would not be feasible to walk to Kings Copse from these developments. They are however, within walking distance to Bursledon. Equally, the Jurd Way development would not be feasible to walk to Bursledon, any more than it would be to get to Netley Abbey Junior School; particularly as the access to Bursledon is far more restricted than it would be to our school. There are three entrances from different roads to the Netley site, with only one for the Bursledon site.
- 3. No consultations regarding school catchments have been coordinated into one consultation
- 4. The catchment has not been consulted alongside the secondary school and The Hamble School are in agreement that they also cannot lose houses on the north side of the M27
- 5. As the school whose catchment was at risk of change, we were not consulted for 9-10 months during the beginning phase of the discussions
- 6. Our catchment is bordered by two immovable boundaries The Solent and Southampton Local Authority. This will mean that the school catchment area will be very limited and could mean that the number of children could be

- limited. This will also mean that places could be filled by Southampton LA which causes problems for the school whereas a Hampshire school should be for Hampshire children.
- 7. The implementation date for the change of catchment area is for the academic year September 2019-20. Basing this on projected figures and housing that isn't complete or occupied yet (especially as they are so far behind schedule) seems rash. The timeframe being considered is far too rapid, even though we recognise the need to plan strategically. The rate of build of housing doesn't seem to be catching up with your vision. Several of the developments you are working with are not even in the planning stages and are therefore several years away.
- 8. Further to this point, the land to the west of Grange Road, along with the proposed Abbey Fruit Farm development, are two years away from the start of construction. The area known as Hamble Station is subject to a further challenge in the High Court also the land to the east of Grange Road is no longer being designated for housing, so any proposals for those to be included within the catchment are null and void and the figures used for those areas ignored.

Therefore I strongly object and propose no change for at least two years; with this being reassessed following the timeframe. I appreciate responsibility for forward-planning, however the projections are too far and this should be one catchment consultation, not just a reduction of our catchment. All of the options given to us (as you can see from the evidence above) are incorrect and so, as the situation currently stands, I cannot be expected to agree to any extent.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Nicholas-Bond Headteacher Netley Abbey Junior School

15) Subject: Attention: Mark Saunders ref Changing boundries Burseldon school

Dear Mr Saunders

I am a parent whos son attends Bursledon Junior school. I have just read the consultation letter about changing school boundries, and the comments from the school governors.

The school governers are totally unrepresentative of the majority of parents, so as a parent I wanted to send my concerns and comments. Burseldon school is a Church of England school, however the majority of families have no interest in religion at all and given the chioce would prefer school time was not wasted with church and religious teachings.

By the governers reaction to your proposals their main concern is to protect their own interests which are children being able to attend the school as a religious choice. Boundries changing and so less families getting the choice to send their children to a Church of England school should be the least of their concerns. In the information they sent to parents this is the ONLY point they could find reason to show concern over. The large majority of parents only want to know how changes will effect the physical space available at the schools involved. Extra class rooms are relatively easy to add on but hall space and common areas are not.

Another concern is for the immediate time scale, some of the new houses are now complete but school placement plans are not.

Also will the boundries for Willdren and Hamble senior schools change. This is a bigger concern to parents whos children are already at junior schools in the area.

I look forward to hearing from you and reading your comments. Please remember the governers will not advise on what is best for the area, the pupils already at the school and the parents. They advice on what best protects thier own intersts which is protecting church congregation numbers!

I hope you find my comments useful,

Regards REDACTED

Re: consultation on School catchment area changes which effect Bursledon CE infant School Bursledon junior School Netley Abbey infant and junior

Dear Mark Saunders

I would like to express my support for option 1 regarding the proposed catchment area changes

I feel this is the fairest and safest option to all parties involved and also addresses the church parish issue .

Thank you for the work and time that you have put into this review

Yours Sincerely

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Parent of 2 at Bursledon schools

Response to consultation on school catchment area changes which affect Bursledon Church of England (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School (Church Affiliated), Netley Abbey Infant School and Netley Abbey Junior School

We are in sight of the above consultation document and are aware of the efforts which have been made to meet the varying needs of the different school and local communities.

As we run the above preschool on the Bursledon School Campus we felt we wanted to respond to the consultation.

We would like to put forward that Option 1, forming a shared catchment area to include the new housing developments on Land South of Bursledon Road, Land at Jurd Way/West of Hamble Lane (Kingfisher Grange), Land North of Cranbury Gardens and Berry Farm, is the change which should be implemented.

The reason for this is that it provides the best choice for parents and carers; is the safest route for parents and carers to access Bursledon schools as well as the preschool and would ultimately reduce the amount of traffic on Hamble Lane which is very busy at school drop off and pick up times.

Yours sincerely

REDACTED 18) Coverning Body Notley Abboy Infant School Westwood Road Netley Abbey SO31 5EL Mark Saunders Stategic Development Officer Children's Services Department Hempshire County Council Elizabeth II Court North The Castic Winchester SO23 3UG 16th November 2017 Dest Mr. Saunders. Reference: Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect; Bursledon CE (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School, Nolley Abboy Infant School and Neibey Abbey Junior School The governing body of Nettey Abbey Infant school have reviewed the documents relating to the strategic school place planning for the Hernble area and our preference would be for option. 2 - to form a shared natchment area for Bursledon CE (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School and Nieticy Appley Inlant School, Netley Abbey Junior School to include the new housing developments proposed on Land South of Bursledon Road, Land at Jurd Way/West of Hamble Lane (Kingfisher Crenge) and Land North of Crenbury Gordons. We fee! that this is the hest option because: 1. It gives maximum choice for families moving into the area to allow them to go to the school that bast suits their husy lives and the school with the most suitable vision. 2. It will allow us to sustain the long-term intake for our school and make sure that the majority of our cohort come from within our local community Given the number of new housing developments along Providence Hill and Bridge. Road (ake A27), as well as the areas along Hamble Land and looking at the numbers of on lidren, we feel that there is not a significant difference in the forecast for school. intake so it would be therefore best to have a shared catchment. Yours sincerely Rosie Nicol-Harper Chair of Governors Netley Abbey Infant School

Catchment Change: Land East of Dodwell Lane (Latitude) and all existing properties directly East of Dodwell Lane

The consultation period opened on Monday 30 October 2017 for four weeks, closing on Friday 24 November 2017.

The consultation received five responses, all of which were supportive of the proposed catchment change.

The following response was received:

1) Subject: Consultation Catchment Area re Kings Copse School and Bursledon Schools for Land East of Dodwell Lane

Dear Mr Saunders

Again as a resident of Bursledon, a member of the Parochial Parish Council, and a parent whose children sucesfully completed their education at the Bursledon Schools and later at the Hamble (Secondary) Shool, I believe this proposed Catchment change in favour of Kings Copse is correct on the basis of safe access for attending children from the expected 250 houses included in this development.

My only reservation is the future impact on Hamble Secondary School, which is the logical transition for the children in Bursledon moving on from Primary to Secondary Education. This relates to the numbers of future children attending Hamble School, to ensure it remains viable on the basis of current funding formulas and hence ability to provide a high standard of secondary education for Bursledon Parish children and young people.

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2) Subject: Consultation on school catchment area chanes which affect: Bursledon CE Infant School, Bursledon Junior School and Kings Copse Primary School

Dear Mr Saunders.

On behalf of the members of Bursledon Parochial Church Council

We are writing to you concerning the above consultation affecting the school catchment area changes for members of our Parish.

During our recent PCC Meeting held on Monday 13th November, we welcomed a presentation from Hilary Bax and Andrew Milchard (Chair and Vice Chair of Governors at Bursledon Infant and Junior Schools) to inform us of the proposed changed to the catchment area.

We would like to stress we recognise the need to adjust catchment areas, the location of the new housing site East of Dodwell Lane and its proximity to Kings Copse Primary school with the need of safe routes to the school.

After much discussion the PCC would like to make the following points:

• The existing housing and a proportion of the new housing site is in the ecclesiastical

Parish of Bursledon and currently in the catchment area of Bursledon Church of England Infant School and Bursledon Junior School, which is affiliated to the Diocese of Winchester and Portsmouth. If this change is made, it will create an issue for Church families wishing to have a Church School education for their children similar to one we currently have for those families who live west of Hamble Lane. With the pressure of school places increasing, it will be more difficult for those families living within the ecclesiastical parish of Bursledon but out of catchment for the Bursledon Schools to receive this education for their children.

- Measures need to be in place to protect the needs of these families thus helping to minimise the need for admissions appeals.
- We are concerned what impact this may cause on the Hamble School.

Please let me know if you require a hard copy of this letter.

Kind regards

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3) Re: Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect: Bursledon CE
(Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School and Kings Copse Primary School
Dear Mark Saunders

Thank you for the consultation document you provided. Given that the new properties will be in close proximity to Kings Copse Primary School; that there is other new housing being built that will remain in Bursledon Infant's catchment area; that only a minimal number of properties currently exist on the piece land being added to King's Copse catchment area and therefore capacity is not being removed from Bursledon CE Infant School; together with the geographical boundary of the M27 making it difficult to create safe routes to school (other than by car), the Diocesan Education Team accept that the proposals constitute an appropriate change. However, we would ask for further consideration regarding the proportion of the new development that remains within the Ecclesiastical Parish of Bursledon be designated a shared catchment to give those residents greater choice.

Yours sincerely Rob Sanders

Deputy Director of Education, Dioceses of Portsmouth and Winchester

4) Subject: Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect: Bursledon CE Infant School, Bursledon Junior School and Kings Copse Primary School

Good Day Mr. Saunders

Having studied your proposals and the map, this is a very sensible move especially as access to the Bursledon Schools from the development North of Dodwell Lane would cause further traffic congestion in the surrounding area.

The only safe way the children could get to Bursledon from that new development would be by car, or school bus (which incurs further cost). Dodwell lane is far too dangerous to walk along as at busy times it is used as an alternative route to avoid the Windover Rounda-bout.

Clearly in the next 5 to 10 years the various developments west of Hamble lane are already going to generate an increase in the capacity for the Bursledon Schools.

Your option 1 appears to assist in helping to partly address these issues. I would propose this option is adopted.

I need to ask as no one appears to answer my question, can you tell me, for the developments west of Hamble lane, what contributions are the developers making towards additional facilities, or new classrooms for the schools?

Thanking you in advance

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Response to consultation on school catchment area changes which affect Bursledon Church of England (Controlled) Infant School, Bursledon Junior School (Church Affiliated) and Kings Copse Primary School

Dear Mr Saunders

Thank you for the relevant consultation document.

We recognise the need to adjust catchment areas, the proximity of the new housing East of Dodwell Lane to Kings Copse Primary school and that there are safe routes to that school.

Governors discussed this proposal in detail on 2nd November and wish to make the following points:

- We would like clarification of the proposed boundary change. The text states
 that it will include all existing housing East of Dodwell Lane but the map does
 not include housing adjacent to the eastern side of Dodwell Lane or Dodwell
 Farm
- The existing housing and a proportion of the new development is in the ecclesiastical Parish of Bursledon and currently within the catchment area of Bursledon Church of England Infant School and Bursledon Junior School, which is affiliated to the Dioceses of Winchester and Portsmouth. If the decision is made to put this change into effect, it will create the same issue for Church families wishing to have a Church School education for their children that we already have with families who live West of Hamble Lane. With the rapidly increasing pressure on school places locally, it will become increasingly difficult for Christian families living within the ecclesiastical Parish of Bursledon but outside the catchment area for the Bursledon Schools to receive a Church School education for their children.

- Measures need to be put into place to protect the needs of these families and to reduce the likelihood of admissions appeals.
- We are concerned at the potential impact on The Hamble School

Kind regards Hilary Bax Chair of Governors

Federation of Bursledon (CE (C) Infant and Bursledon Junior School (CA)

<u>Catchment Change: Land East of Sovereign Drive and Precosa Road, the Boorley Park and Crows Nest developments</u>

The consultation period opened on Monday 30 October 2017 for four weeks, closing on Friday 24 November 2017.

The consultation received two responses which were fully supportive of the proposed shared catchment area.

The following response was received:

1) Dear Mark,

Thank you for sending us the consultation on school catchment area changes that affects us here at Botley C of E Primary School.

We would like to respond to the consultation document in the following ways:

- 1. We support the proposal for Boorley Park in that, whilst it will fall into the catchment area of the new school, those with siblings at Botley C of E Primary School will be given catchment priority here. Although you have given an end date to this arrangement please note that it is important to us and the affected families that all siblings are able to attend Botley, even after the given 'cut off' date.
- We support the proposal for Boorley Green being a shared catchment area and appreciate you listening to our views on this matter during our earlier discussions.
 We would welcome the opportunity to work with Wildern Academy Trust on making this work effectively.
- 3. We support Option 1 for the land to the east of Sovereign Drive and Precosa Road to make this a shared catchment area for Botley C of E Primary School and Freegrounds Infant and Junior Schools.

We note that catchment area changes are due to be redrawn for admissions from September 2019. We would question whether the Boorley Park School will be fully open and operational at this time and that there will be sufficient numbers from the new development to make this possible.

It would be helpful for us to know as soon as possible what the Local Authority's plans are for the increased number of children within our existing catchment area (including the Boorley Park development) for September 2018. Specifically, if there is any further information on the school's PAN of 45 and if this would need to be increased to serve the needs of the growing community. As you know, we believe that with only modest changes undertaken to the school we could accommodate additional numbers.

Finally, we would like to revisit our question from earlier in this process where we asked what the arrangement will be with regard to educating older primary age children who move into the Boorley Park development.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr. J. Cooil Mr. K. Barton Headteacher Chair of Governors

Botley C of E Primary School Botley C of E Primary School

2) Re: Consultation on school catchment area changes which affect: Botley CofE (Controlled)
Primary School, Freegrounds Infant School and Freegrounds Junior School

Dear Mark Saunders

Thank you for the consultation document you provided.

Boorley Green

The Diocesan Education Team accept as reasonable the proposed changes to Botley CE Primary School's catchment area and the timescales for transition arrangements. We agree that Boorley Green should be a shared catchment area to enable families already attending Botley CE Primary School to send other siblings to the same school.

Land East of Sovereign Drive and Precosa Road

The Diocesan Education Team support option number one; given that these areas exist within Botley Ecclesiastical Parish, this option gives families the most choice as to the school they wish their child to attend.

Yours sincerely Rob Sanders

Deputy Director of Education, Dioceses of Portsmouth and Winchester

All of the above consultations were conducted by letter, email and added to the corporate list of active consultations:

(https://www.hants.gov.uk/aboutthecouncil/haveyoursay/consultations).