

Notice of Proposals to Discontinue Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools, and to establish a New Primary School on the same site.

Part 1: Notice is given in accordance with section 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that London Borough of Hounslow, Children's Housing & Adults' Services, Civic Centre, Lampton Road, Hounslow, TW3 4DN intends to close Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools, Bedfont Lane, Feltham, TW14 9NP on 31st August 2018.

All statutory consultation requirements relating to this proposal have been complied with.

The pupils who would be attending Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools in September 2018 will be guaranteed a place at the new school and therefore no pupils will be displaced. Admission may also be sought to other schools which have places available.

Pupils at Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools will continue to travel to the same site as the new school, and therefore there will be no travel implications.

A statutory notice published simultaneously (Part 2 of this notice) proposes the establishment of an all-through primary school with the age range of 3-11 years on the same site as Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools.

Part 2: Notice is given that London Borough of Hounslow, Children's Housing & Adults' Services, Civic Centre, Lampton Road, Hounslow TW3 4DN intends to establish a new Community School under section 11(A3) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, as amended by the Education Act 2011.

It is proposed that the school will open on 1st September 2018.

The school will be situated at Bedfont Lane, Feltham, TW14 9NP. The school will serve the community currently served by Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools.

The new school will continue to serve the diverse community and will prioritise inclusion and ensure that the needs of a wide range of communities are met.

The new school will cater for pupils between the ages of 3 and 11 and provide places for 630 boys and girls. In addition, a further 39 full time equivalent places will be provided for nursery pupils.

The admission number for the school on the opening date will be 90.

The proposed admission arrangements will be those published by the London Borough of Hounslow for Primary Community Schools.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from: School Organisation Officer, Children's Housing & Adults' Services, London Borough of Hounslow, Civic Centre, Lampton Road, Hounslow, TW3 4DN; by telephone 020 8583 2872; or through the Council's website at www.hounslow.gov.uk.

Within four weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to, support, or comment on the proposals by writing to the School Organisation Officer, Children's Housing & Adults' Services, London Borough of Hounslow, Civic Centre, Lampton Road, Hounslow, TW3 4DN, or by email to: childrens.ppu@hounslow.gov.uk.

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STATUTORY PROPOSAL FOR SCHOOL CLOSURES

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Proposal for Closure of the following Schools:

Southville Infant & Nursery School, Bedfont Lane, Feltham TW14 9NP

Southville Junior School, Bedfont Lane, Feltham TW14 9NP

Category: Community Schools

Implementation

It is proposed to close both schools on 31st August 2018, to coincide with the creation of a new all-through primary school from 1st September 2018, on the same site. A related Statutory Notice is contained in this publication which proposes the establishment of an all-through primary school with the age range 3-11 years on the same site as Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools.

Reason for closure

In line with the Hounslow Council Schools Amalgamation Policy Jan 2017, the Local Authority considers that the amalgamation of linked infant and junior schools is a positive way to develop and progress school organisation.

Responses received from the initial Stakeholder Consultation (28 April - 16 June 2017) were considered by Members at the Cabinet Meeting held 19 Sept 2017, when the decision was taken to continue the process to publish Statutory Notice regarding the proposal to amalgamate Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior schools. The closure of the existing Infant and Junior schools on 31 August 2018 is necessary in order to establish a new primary school on 1 September 2018.

Pupil numbers and admissions

Based on May 2017 Census Data:

Southville Infant & Nursery School

Age range: 3-7

Nursery (non-compulsory school age):

82 pupils on roll

40 male

42 female

22 pupils not statemented but receiving Special Educational Needs support

Reception - Year 3 (compulsory school age)

265 pupils on roll

128 male

137 female

1 pupil with Education Health & Care (EHC) Plan

56 pupils not statemented but receiving Special Educational Needs support

Southville Junior School

Age range: 7-11

Year 3 - Year 6 (compulsory school age)

349 pupils on roll

163 male

186 female

2 pupils with Education Health & Care (EHC) Plan

94 pupils not statemented but receiving Special Educational Needs support

Displaced pupils

All children currently attending Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools will be guaranteed a place at the new school and therefore no pupils will be displaced. No changes will result from this proposal to the provision for children with Special Educational Needs within the schools.

Impact on the community

This proposal is not expected to have a negative impact on the community. The results will be positive in terms of improved continuity of schooling, communications and transition arrangements as a result of the amalgamation into a new school.

All existing services offered by both Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools will continue as before.

Special educational needs provision

No changes will result from this proposal to the provision for children with Special Educational Needs within the schools.

Travel

Pupils at Southville Nursery & Infant and Southville Junior Schools will continue to travel to the same site, as the new school will be on the same site; therefore there are no travel implications.

STATUTORY PROPOSALS FOR ESTABLISHING A NEW SCHOOL**Contact details**

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Implementation

It is proposed that a new all-through primary school will open on 1st September 2018 on the same site as the existing Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior schools; this will follow the closure of the existing schools on 31st August 2018, which is the subject of the above related Notice.

Reason for the new school

The establishment of a new primary school on 1 September 2018 is necessary as, following consultation, the new school will replace the existing Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior schools, which are proposed for closure on 31 August 2018 due to the amalgamation.

Category

It is proposed to create a new community school to replace Southville Infant & Nursery School and Southville Junior School, which are proposed to be closed as detailed in the related proposal above. This is in effect an amalgamation of the current schools.

Ethos and religious character

The new amalgamated school will serve the same diverse community as the existing schools and will prioritise inclusion and ensure that the needs of a wide range of communities are met.

No religious character is intended for the school.

Pupil numbers and admissions

The new primary school will provide 630 places for Reception through to Year 6, plus 78 places for Nursery children. The new school will be the same size (3 form entry) as the combined existing schools.

Based on May 2017 Census Data, the breakdown of pupil numbers at the existing schools is as follows:

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Admission arrangements

The proposed admissions arrangements will be those published by the London Borough of Hounslow for Primary Community Schools and will be the same criteria as applied to the current schools. These arrangements comply with all relevant legislation and the Schools Admission Code.

Early years provision

The school will administer admission arrangements for children from age 3 into the school nursery.

Admission arrangements to Reception will be in accordance with the policy applied to all London Borough of Hounslow primary schools.

Special educational needs provision

No changes will result from this proposal to the provision for children with special educational needs within the schools.

However, parents of SEN children should experience a smoother transition from KS1 to KS2 in the new school, due to the continuity of provision, and this removes the need to review the child's placement to a separate junior school.

Curriculum

The school will meet the general requirements in relation to curriculum contained in Section 78 of EA 2002.

Relevant experience of proposers

The proposer is the Local Authority.

Effects on standards and contributions to school improvement

The amalgamated school will continue to serve the same community as the existing schools, which both have an ethnically diverse pupil population.

There is every expectation that the benefits from an amalgamation, in terms of organisation, communications, planning and the efficiency gains, will provide the opportunity to impact beneficially on standards. It will also provide greater consistency in ethos and teaching and learning experiences for pupils.

Location and costs

- a) The new school will serve the same community as currently served by the existing infant and junior schools.
- b) The new school will occupy the current Southville Infant & Nursery School and Southville Junior School site at Bedfont Lane, Feltham TW14 9NP.
- c) The site is freehold and owned by the Local Authority.
- d) The school will occupy the site as a community school located on a Local Authority owned site.
- e) There are no capital costs associated with providing the site.
- f) Planning permission is not required.

Travel

Pupils at Southville Infant & Nursery and Southville Junior Schools will continue to travel to the same site, as the new school will be on the same site; therefore there are no travel implications.