

6 September 2017

For the attention of Parents and Carers

Dear Parents and Carers

Consultation on the Proposal to Increase Capacity at Champion School

Please find attached a consultation document from Warwickshire County Council detailing plans on how the Council proposes to increase the number of pupils at Champion School.

Having discussed the proposal at length, we would like to reassure parents that the Governing Body, Senior Leadership Team and Local Authority feel that the number one priority during any period of change will be to retain the successful, inclusive and welcoming ethos of the school during the transition.

Pupil numbers are rising nationally, but even though the proposal is to expand in response to local needs, we will still remain one of the smallest secondary schools in the central Warwickshire area. The proposal includes significant investment in the school's facilities, which will enhance the education of all current and future pupils.

If you wish to comment on the expansion plans, you can find details on how to respond on page two of the attached letter.

Kind regards



BOB CROWTHER
Chair of Governors



JASSA PANESAR
Headteacher

Parents, Guardians and Members of the Community

Dear Parents, Guardians and Members of the Local Community,

CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSAL TO INCREASE CAPACITY AT CAMPION SCHOOL

Introduction

This letter is to advise you of proposals concerning Campion School and to invite you to tell us what you think of the proposals. This is part of a statutory consultation process that Warwickshire County Council is managing in partnership with the Governing Body. The proposal is:

- To increase the capacity at Campion School from just over 5 forms of entry to 7 forms of entry from September 2019. From September 2019, the published admission number (PAN) will increase from 155 to 210 with each incoming year 7 cohort, meaning the overall capacity of the school in year groups 7 to 11 will gradually rise from 775 to 1,050 pupils.

Why Change?

The proposal to increase capacity at Campion School has been put forward to accommodate the forecast pressure on secondary school places in the Warwick and Leamington area from September 2019. This is due to larger cohorts of primary age pupils moving through into secondary and the impact of large scale housing development in the area.

Building consequences

This letter concerns the statutory process of increasing the capacity of the school in year groups 7 to 11 from 775 to 1,050. This proposal will require some changes and extension to the school building. However, this will be subject to a separate process and will be linked to the submission of an application for planning permission.

What is the proposed timetable?

- **9th March 2017:** The County Council's Cabinet gave approval for the proposal to go out for consultation. This report is available to the general public by following the link below to the County Council website:
<https://democratic.warwickshire.gov.uk/cm5/Calendarofmeetings.aspx>
- **6th September 2017 – 6th October 2017:** Consultation with parents and the local community to take into account the views expressed regarding the proposals to increase capacity.
- **9th November 2017:** If Cabinet agree to the proposals, the decision will begin to be implemented from November 2017 with the expansion being completed in time for the new intake in **September 2019**

Have Your Say...

As an integral part of this process, we are inviting you to take part in this consultation. We welcome your views on the proposed changes raised in this letter and all viewpoints will be taken into account before deciding to publish formal proposals. Feedback can be given in the following ways;

In Writing

By filling in the box below (please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

And returning it to:

Access & Organisation

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Via Email

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Via Our Website

By visiting and completing the online survey at:

<https://askwarks.wordpress.com/>

The closing date for comments to be submitted is **6th October 2017**.

Following the end of the consultation we shall publish the results and this may include quotes of comments which will be anonymous. If you reply to an anonymous survey then no personal details will be captured. If you would like further information, visit our website:

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/privacy or contact our Customer Service Centre on 01926 410410