

PROPOSALS FOR EXTENSION OF AGE RANGE AT CLIFFORD CE INFANT SCHOOL (VOLUNTARY AIDED)

Contact details

Clifford CE Infant School (Voluntary Aided), Psalter Lane, Sheffield, S11 8YU

The proposer is the Governing Body of Clifford CE Infant School (Voluntary Aided).
Contact: Chair of Governors, c/o Clifford CE Infants School, Psalter Lane, Sheffield, S11 8YU

Description of alteration

Clifford Infant School is a Voluntary Aided school for children aged 4-7 years. The proposal is to extend the age range of the school because it is to allow it to offer both pre-school, 3-4 years places and junior, 7-11 years places. The offer of junior places is linked to the proposals to close Ecclesall CE Junior School.

Evidence of Demand and Objectives (including how the proposal would increase educational standards and parental choice)

The proposals stated here form the second (and final) part of proposals to re-organise school places across Ecclesall Infant School (Community), Clifford CE Infant School (Voluntary Aided) and Ecclesall CE Junior School (Voluntary Controlled). The aim of these proposals is to increase the number of school places being offered across the area covered by these schools in response to a growing population in this area and the wider area. The first part of these proposals, the expansion of and extension of age range at Ecclesall Infant School was approved by Sheffield City Council in July 2016. According to their last Ofsted reports, all schools involved with this reorganisation are judged to be Good. The proposals would allow more children the opportunity to access a good local school place and would allow parents who wanted a faith based education for their child to preference this.

The effect on other schools, academies and educational institutions within the area

The proposal is being brought forward as part of a range of proposals to satisfy demand in the south west of Sheffield where the overall increase in births is supplemented by young families moving to live in the area.

Project costs and indication of how these will be met, including how long term value for money will be achieved

The capital costs of the proposal will be met from the Basic Need funding allocated to Sheffield City Council. The nature and scope of the capital works covered by this proposal are covered by a separate legal agreement between Sheffield City Council and Clifford CE Infant School.

Implementation and any proposed stages for implementation

It is proposed that Clifford CE Infant School would start to offer places in Year 3 from 1st September 2018.

Consultation Responses: support; objections and comments

Any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to:

Executive Director, Children, Young People and Families
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The closing date for responses is 15th November 2017.