

Appendix 2

Statutory proposal to consult on the opening of a Specialist Satellite School Provision on King Edward Primary School Site In respect of a Local Authority proposal: School and Local Authority

<https://consult.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/schools/kingedwardprimarysatelliteschoolproposal>

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Responses to this survey: **56**

1: To what extent do you agree that Nottinghamshire County Council should seek to create additional specialist school places to meet the current demand?

There were 56 responses to this part of the question.

Option	Total	Percent
Strongly agree	35	62.50%
Agree	13	23.21%
Neither agree nor disagree	3	5.36%
Disagree	0	0.00%
Strongly disagree	2	3.57%
Don't know	3	5.36%
Not Answered	0	0.00%

2: To what extent do you agree it is important for pupils with SEND needs to have an opportunity to access specialist education as close to home as possible?

There were 56 responses to this part of the question.

Option	Total	Percent
Strongly agree	33	58.93%
Agree	18	32.14%
Neither agree nor disagree	3	5.36%
Disagree	0	0.00%
Strongly disagree	1	1.79%
Don't know	1	1.79%
Not Answered	0	0.00%

3: To what extent do you agree that the existing pupils at King Edward Primary and Nursery School could benefit from closer partnership working between mainstream and special school staff?

There were 56 responses to this part of the question.

Option	Total	Percent
Strongly agree	25	44.64%
Agree	16	28.57%
Neither agree nor disagree	8	14.29%
Disagree	0	0.00%
Strongly disagree	6	10.71%
Don't know	1	1.79%
Not Answered	0	0.00%

4: To what extent do you agree that there will be positive benefits for the pupils on roll at the satellite school because they will be based on a mainstream school site

There were 56 responses to this part of the question.

Option	Total	Percent
Strongly agree	21	37.50%
Agree	18	32.14%
Neither agree nor disagree	8	14.29%
Disagree	2	3.57%
Strongly disagree	6	10.71%
Don't know	1	1.79%
Not Answered	0	0.00%

5: Overall, to what extent do you agree with the proposal to set up a Carlton Digby satellite special school on the site of King Edward Primary and Nursery School using some of their surplus classroom space?

There were 56 responses to this part of the question.

Option	Total	Percent
Strongly agree	28	50.00%
Agree	13	23.21%
Neither agree nor disagree	3	5.36%
Disagree	3	5.36%
Strongly disagree	9	16.07%

Don't know	0	0.00%
Not Answered	0	0.00%

6: Please provide any other comments that you would like to be considered in relation to this proposal.

There were 27 responses to this part of the question, which included several key themes. These are summarized below including some quotes from the responses.

The Satellite Provision would provide much needed specialist places in Mansfield (7 responses)

“We have experienced first hand how difficult it is to secure a special school place for children who really need it in the locality because of a lack of places. Anything that alleviates the current situation would be positive.”

The Satellite Provision would be an opportunity for pupils with SEND attending King Edward Primary & Nursery School (1 response)

“This could also be an opportunity for children in the school to have their needs looked at where they are yet to be diagnosed and the children also get to integrate with all children.”

The Satellite Provision would enable a greater degree of understanding about Special educational needs for pupils who attend mainstream school (6 responses)

“It's a brilliant idea, and will give mainstream school children more of an understanding and respect of children and people with disabilities”

The Satellite Provision would provide opportunities for partnership working between staff in mainstream and specialist provisions (2 responses)

“I think this would be a good use of facilities that are not being used at present. It will be of great benefit to be able to offer this provision to children with additional needs and feel that working in partnership is always a positive way forward for all who are involved.”

There was concern that the satellite provision would not have the specialist resources available at a Special School (2 responses)

Three classrooms at Kind Edwards have not been purpose built and will not offer the same specialist equipment to pupils identified as meeting the criteria to attend Carlton Digby.

There was concern about the possible negative impact and disruption the Satellite Provision would cause for existing pupils at King Edward and Primary. (3 responses)

“They will be lots of disruption for the pupil in school already and I don't think it will be fair as they are there to learn and not to be there to be detracted.”

King Edward Primary should receive more funding to enable smaller class sizes to support the need in school (1 response)

“More funding should be made available for King Edward school to be able to utilise any spare classrooms to reduce class sizes and increase achievement.”

Concerns were expressed about the impact of additional transport and parking in the area (6 responses)

“My main concern is parking as it's already a problem when bringing the kids to and from school and fear this will be worse.”

There was a question as to why Carlton Digby had been chosen as the lead specialist school and not a Mansfield Special School? (1 response)

If the plan is to use King Edward Primary School, it makes sense to use a special school headteacher in the Mansfield area (there are 3 to choose from). This would be more economical (travel expenses etc,) and the management of a unit is best done locally. Why does Carlton Digby school have to be used if there are no local mainstream schools with capacity?

Feedback from the public meeting held on 4 February 2021

The meeting was attended by nine people. comprised of school staff and governors.

There were several points raised by attendees at the public meeting. These covered the following key areas:

- The positives of developing partnerships between mainstream and special school staff.
- The opportunities for pupils from both settings to benefit from sharing facilities.
- The recognition that more specialist places were needed in Mansfield.
- Concern that there would be suitable facilities for pupils with SEND on the Satellite Site.
- Concerns about the impact on traffic and parking.