

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**THE EXECUTIVE****16 October 2018****Proposal to expand Overdale Community Primary School,
Eastfield, Scarborough****Report by the Corporate Director – Children and Young People’s
Service****1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To seek approval to publish statutory proposals to expand Overdale Community Primary School, Scarborough.

2 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 The County Council proposes to expand Overdale Community Primary School by 210 places to provide a total capacity of 420 places. The proposed new school site to accommodate this expansion is located on a new housing development under a mile from the existing school site. The need for additional school places is generated by the housing growth. The new build is being partially funded from Basic Need grant and partially through contributions by housing developers. A planning application has been submitted. Local Authorities proposing to expand schools over a certain size are required to follow a statutory process of school organisation and this report asks the Executive to consider approving the publication of a statutory proposal for the expansion, and to schedule taking a final decision on the proposal on 27th November 2018.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Education and Inspections Act 2006 sets out the procedures for expanding a maintained school. These are detailed in School Organisation regulations¹ and guidance² which came into force on 28 January 2014. Under the regulations and guidance, Local Authorities proposing expansions of schools must follow a streamlined statutory process if the proposed enlargement to the premises of the school is permanent and would increase the capacity of the school by more than 30 pupils; and 25% or 200 pupils (whichever is the lesser). As the new school site is within 2

¹ The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013.

² DfE, Making ‘prescribed alterations’ to maintained schools, Statutory guidance for proposers and decision-makers, April 2016.

miles of the existing school site, an additional statutory proposal to transfer the school to the new site is not required.

- 3.2 Overdale Community Primary School serves a catchment area in the north of the Town of Eastfield, south of Scarborough, for children aged 3 to 11 years as well as nursery provision.
- 3.3 Overdale Community Primary School currently operates as a one form entry school, admitting up to 30 in each year group from Reception to Year 6, with a capacity of 210 pupils. The 2018 admission number for the school was therefore 30. Although Overdale CP School is not currently oversubscribed the projected number of pupils across the school's catchment area is increasing, due to a major new housing development, and this additional capacity is needed to meet expected demand. This proposal would expand the school to accommodate up to 420 pupils, admitting up to 60 children into the reception class each year, and the school would operate as a two form entry school.
- 3.4 Pupil numbers at Overdale have risen in recent years. The numbers on roll have grown as follows:

2013/14 -	137
2014/15 –	153
2015/16 –	153
2016/17 –	170
2017/18 –	183
2018/19 –	182

Pupil numbers are projected to continue to be high into the future:

2019/20 –	218
2020/21 –	246
2021/22 –	275
2022/23 –	298
2023/24 –	322

- 3.5 In March 2013 an Outline Application for a development including 1350 dwellings was approved by Scarborough Borough Council within the current catchment area for Overdale C.P. The projected demand for places below is based upon a projected pupil yield from this development as well as the underlying demographic trends. The development has been under construction since 2014 and further phases are expected to be brought forward for detailed planning permission over the planning period. As of April 2018 just over 300 of the 1350 dwellings had been constructed.
- 3.6 A planning application for the new school site was submitted in July 2018 and will be determined by the County Council in its function as Planning Authority. It will either be a delegated decision or, if objections are received, it will determined by the Planning and Regulatory Functions Committee. If it were to go to committee this would likely to be at their November meeting.

- 3.7 Overdale Community Primary School received its last Ofsted judgement in February 2014 and was judged to be 'Good' in all areas.

4 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN AND RESPONSES

- 4.1 This proposal has been developed in consultation with the school senior management and governors. The School Organisation regulations and guidance introduced in January 2014 removed the formal requirement to consult before publishing proposals. In this instance however, the planning process has provided another formal opportunity for interested parties to express their views. In addition, the school has notified parents about the proposal and held an engagement session at the School.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The County Council has the statutory duty to ensure that sufficient school places are available. It receives capital funding to address this 'basic need'. In addition the County Council has a policy of trying to secure developer contributions for educational provision arising from housing. Further contributions will be sought in respect of any additional new housing developments with an impact on primary school places.
- 5.2 The Basic Need Programme 2018-21 approved by the Executive on 24 July 2018 included a provision to provide an new enlarged Primary School facility to accommodate an expanded Overdale Community Primary School using a combination basic need capital funding, community S106 and developer contributions.

6 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Careful regard has been had to the provisions set out in the School Organisation regulations³ and guidance⁴.

7 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no Human Rights issues in relation to this issue.

8 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 An Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken in respect of this proposal and is attached at Appendix 3.

9 NEXT STEPS

- 9.1 It is proposed to publish proposals and statutory notices (Appendices 1 and 2) on 25 October 2018. The proposals would be published on the County Council's website and the statutory notice would be

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published in a local newspaper and displayed at the main entrances to the School. These would provide four weeks for representations to be made to the Local Authority, by 22 November 2018.

- 9.2 The Executive agreed a model for decision-making on school organisation proposals on 25 September 2007. If approval is given to publish statutory proposals and notices, it is proposed that a final decision is taken by the Executive on 27th November 2018, or if there are no objections to the proposal, that the decision is delegated to the Executive Members for Schools and Children's Services.

10 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 That statutory proposals and notices be published on 22nd October proposing that Overdale Community Primary School should expand.
- 10.2 That the Executive schedule taking a final decision on these proposals on 27th November 2018

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Appendices

Appendix 1: Statutory proposal for school expansion (enlargement to premises)- Full Proposal Document

Appendix 2: Statutory notice

Appendix 3: Equalities Impact Assessment

Background documents

Basic Need Programme 2018-21, Report to Executive, 24 July 2018

APPENDIX 1

Overdale Community Primary School Statutory proposal for school expansion (enlargement to premises) Full Proposal Document

Name and contact details of the Local Authority or governing body publishing the proposal

North Yorkshire County Council, County Hall, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, DL7 8AE.

Name, address and category of the school proposed for expansion

Overdale Community Primary School, Hawthorne Walk, Eastfield, Scarborough, North Yorkshire, YO11 3HW.

Description of alteration and evidence of demand

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Objectives

The proposed expansion is designed to ensure sufficiency of school places in the local area in response to the growth in housing and in accordance with the Local Authority's duty under section 14 of the Education Act 1996. The enlargement is expected to ensure that, as far as possible, the School can continue to accommodate all pupils who reside in the School's catchment area and require a place at the School. Places will continue to be allocated in accordance with the NYCC Admissions Policy for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools. This expansion will enable sufficiency of places in Eastfield and allow parents to continue to exercise parental choice.

The most recent Ofsted inspection of the school was undertaken in 2014 with the following outcomes:

- Overall effectiveness – Good
- Achievement of pupils – Good
- Quality of teaching – Good
- Behaviour and safety of pupils – Good
- Leadership and management – Good

Effect on other schools, academies and educational institutions within the area

No significant impact on any other local schools, academies or educational institutions is anticipated.

Project costs and funding

The Basic Need Programme 2018-21 approved by the Executive on 24 July 2018 included funding for an expansion of Overdale Community Primary School using basic need capital funding supplemented by developer contributions.

The tender process has not yet commenced so cost confirmation will not be available for some time.

Implementation

The construction project is expected to be completed during 2020. The increased Published Admission Number of 60 would be effective from September 2020.

Procedure for making representations (objections and comments)

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Strategic Planning, Children and Young People's Service, North Yorkshire County Council, County Hall, Northallerton, DL7 8AE by 5pm on **22nd November 2018**.

APPENDIX 2



Proposed Enlargement at Overdale Community Primary School

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that North Yorkshire County Council intends to make a prescribed alteration to Overdale Community Primary School, Hawthorne Walk, Eastfield, Scarborough, North Yorkshire, YO11 3HW from 1 September 2020.

The proposal is to permanently expand Overdale Community Primary School in Scarborough through using a site at Ashmead Square Eastfield, Scarborough YO11 3EY. The expanded school will continue to provide for pupils aged 3-11. This expansion proposal is one part of the County Council's strategy to meet the need for primary school places in North Yorkshire and to ensure that the Local Authority's duty to ensure sufficiency of school places under section 14 of the Education Act 1996 is satisfied.

The current capacity of the school is 210 and the proposed capacity will be 420. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 182. The current admission number for the school is 30 and the proposed admission number will be 60 effective from September 2020.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from: Strategic Planning, Children and Young People's Service, North Yorkshire County Council, County Hall, Northallerton, DL7 8AE and are available on the County Council's website at www.northyorks.gov.uk.

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Signed:

Barry Khan, Assistant Chief Executive
Legal and Democratic Services

Date:

25 October 2018



Template for Equality Impact Assessment (EIA): evidencing paying due regard to protected characteristics July 2013

If you would like this information in another language or format such as Braille, large print or audio, please contact the Communications Unit on 01609 53 2013 or email communications@northyorks.gov.uk.

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如欲索取以另一語文印製或另一格式製作的資料，請與我們聯絡。

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Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs) are public documents. EIAs accompanying reports going to County Councillors for decisions are published with the committee papers on our website and are available in hard copy at the relevant meeting. To help people to find completed EIAs we also publish them in the Equality and Diversity section of our website. This will help people to see for themselves how we have paid due regard in order to meet statutory requirements.

Name of Directorate and Service Area	Children and Young People's Service
Lead Officer and contact details	Andrew Dixon
Names and roles of other people involved in carrying out the EIA	
How will you pay due regard? e.g. working group, individual officer	
When did the due regard process start?	
Sign off by Assistant Director (or equivalent) and date	

Section 1. Please describe briefly what this EIA is about. (e.g. are you starting a new service, changing how you do something, stopping doing something?)

To permanently expand Overdale Community Primary School by 210 places to provide a total capacity of 420 places

Section 2. Why is this being proposed? (e.g. to save money, meet increased demand, do things in a better way.)

This expansion proposal is one part of the County Council's strategy to meet the need for primary school places in North Yorkshire and to ensure that the Local Authority's duty to ensure sufficiency of school places under section 14 of the Education Act 1996 is satisfied.

Section 3. What will change? What will be different for customers and/or staff?

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Section 4. What impact will this proposal have on council resources (budgets)?

Cost neutral? N

Increased cost? Y

Reduced cost? N

Please explain briefly why this will be the result.

The Basic Need Programme 2018-21 approved by the Executive on 24 July 2018 included an expansion of Overdale Community Primary School using basic need capital funding.

Section 5. Will this proposal affect people with protected characteristics?	No impact	Make things better	Make things worse	Why will it have this effect? State any evidence you have for your thinking.
Age	X			
Disability		X		The classrooms created during the building project will be fully accessible for pupils and staff with disabilities
Sex (Gender)	X			
Race	X			
Gender reassignment	X			
Sexual orientation	X			
Religion or belief	X			
Pregnancy or maternity	X			
Marriage or civil partnership	X			
Section 6. Would this proposal affect people for the following reasons?	No impact	Make things better	Make things worse	Why will it have this effect? Give any evidence you have.
Live in a rural area	X			
Have a low income	X			

Section 7. Will the proposal affect anyone more because of a combination of protected characteristics? (e.g. older women or young gay men?) State where this is likely to happen and explain what you think the effect will be and why giving any evidence you have.

Not applicable

Section 8. Only complete this section if the proposal will make things worse for some people. Remember that we have an anticipatory duty to make reasonable adjustments so that disabled people can access services and work for us.

Can we change our proposal to reduce or remove these adverse impacts?

Can we achieve our aim in another way which will not make things worse for people?

If we need to achieve our aim and can't remove or reduce the adverse impacts get advice from legal services. Summarise the advice here. Make sure the advice is passed on to decision makers if the proposal proceeds.

Section 9. If the proposal is implemented how will you find out how it is really affecting people? (How will you monitor and review the changes?)

The School will continue to engage with parents and local residents to gain their views.

Section 10. List any actions you need to take which have been identified in this EIA

Action	Lead	By when	Progress
Not applicable			