Dear Sir,

I and my group (Labour Cllrs) have concerns over the ten percent selection by aptitude for Year 7 in Bitterne Park as this may exclude other children in the city having access to the school.

Considering factors like;

Falling numbers in the city, the choice agenda for parents and the principle of selection by aptitude alone (how this will be done, by exam or audition), how this can be a fair process considering the other schools in the city and that this may set a precedence for other schools to select.

Please record my concerns.

Yours faithfully

**Councillor Matt Stevens**