Wordsworth Infant School Expansion Proposals

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(3) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that the Governing Body of Wordsworth Infant School intends to make the following prescribed alterations to Wordsworth Infant School (Foundation School) Stratton Road, Shirley, Southampton, SO15 5RA from 1 September 2012:

- To increase admissions to Wordsworth Infant School by admitting a further 30 pupils to Year R (age 4) from 1 September 2012 and continuing each school year until all years have been expanded, and
- (ii) To change Wordsworth from an infant school to an all through primary school by changing the age range of pupils to be admitted from 4-7 year olds to 4-11 year olds from 1 September 2015.

In order to achieve the change of age range up to 90 pupils will be permitted to transfer from Year 2 (age 6) to Year 3 (age 7) from 1 September 2015 and in subsequent school years or be admitted as casual vacancies to Year 3 (age 7) from 1 September 2015 and in subsequent school years. This will have the effect of enlarging the school from 180 places to 630 places by 1 September 2018.

The current net capacity of the school is 180 and the proposed net capacity will be 630 statutory school age places. The current number of pupils registered at the school is 173. The current admissions number is 60 and the proposed admission number will be 90.

This proposal will be wholly implemented by Southampton City Council in consultation with the Governing Body of Wordsworth Infant School.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained by writing to: Wordsworth Infant School, Stratton Road, Shirley, Southampton, SO15 5RA or School Organisation (Wordsworth Infant School Consultation), Children's Services & Learning, Southampton City Council, 3rd Floor Southbrook Rise, Southampton SO15 1YG or online at: www.southampton.gov.uk/primaryreview and https://www.wordsworth.southampton.sch.uk/school/index.htm

Within six weeks after the date of publication of the proposal for Wordsworth Infant School, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending their representations to School Organisation (Wordsworth Infant School Consultation), Children's Services & Learning, Southampton City Council, 3rd Floor Southbrook Rise, Southampton SO15 1YG or by emailing: primary.schools.review@southampton.gov.uk.

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Explanatory Notes

This notice relates to proposals made by the Governing Body of Wordsworth Infant School, having carried out a consultation on the future of primary education in the area in which the school is based. These proposals have been made following the review to secure sufficient key stage 1 and key stage 2 places in this area of the city. Pupil forecasts indicate that extra places are required in this area of the city by 2012. This area of the city also suffers from a lack of key stage 2 places. At present 3 forms of entry from Shirley infant and 2 forms of entry from Wordsworth infant currently feed into 4 forms of entry at Shirley junior. If Wordsworth changed from 2FE to 3FE infant this would exacerbate the lack of junior school places in the area. Therefore the change from an infant to a primary would provide children in the local area with a better chance of getting a school place close to their home throughout their primary education.