

Good Evening

Welcome to The Assembly Rooms

Introductions

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Statutory Consultation

Proposal to Close

Rumboldswyke C of E Infant School

With effect from 31 August 2020

Consultation Ends 16 March 2020

Principles for Consultation

- To secure the highest quality educational provision for all children and young people *within the communities in which they live*.
- Any school system should be centred on the needs of children as learners.
- Schools should be educationally and financially viable.
- Age 4-11 all-through primary schools should be established wherever practical.
- There should be sufficient places available in schools to support parental preference whilst avoiding an excess of surplus capacity;

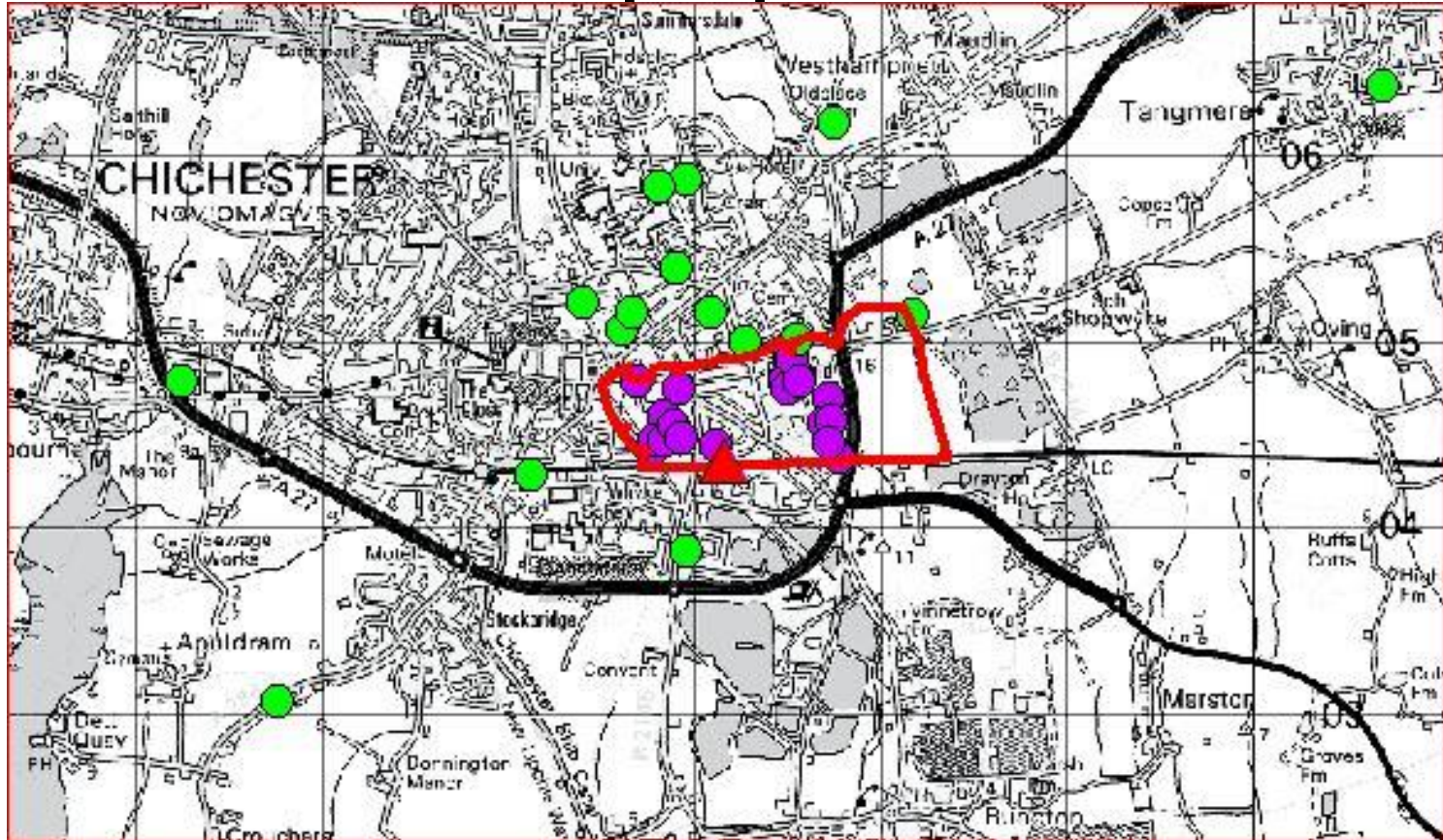
Why are we proposing closure?

- Previous consultation 7th Oct – 25th Nov 2019
- Responses were summarised and then reviewed by the CYPs Select Committee and by the Cabinet of WSCC and the decision was made to consult on the closure

Proposed Timescale of Events

February/March 2020	Stage one – consultation on proposals
April 2020	Cabinet and CYPSSC (TFG)
May 2020	Stage two – publication of statutory notice and proposal
May/June 2020	Stage three - representation
June 2020	Stage four – decision
31 August 2020	Stage five – implementation of proposals (if approved)

Where do the pupils come from?



Rumboldswyke C of E Infant School

Age Range	4 - 7
Published Admission Number	40
Capacity of Buildings	120
Number on Roll	42
Pupils Attending from within Catchment	23
Pupils Attending from out of Catchment	19
Current Number of first preferences (September 2020 entry)	1

Where will my child go if the school closes?

- The local authority's Admissions Team will meet with parents/carers at the school. The meetings will be set up when the consultation has ended and the final decision is made.
- There will be a separate admissions round for all parents/carers affected by the decision and this will take place in the second half of the Summer Term.
- The window will open from the **15 June until the 29 June** where all applications will be considered together using the schools oversubscription criteria to order priority.
- Where possible, siblings will be placed at the same school.

Pupils with SEND

- Our SENAT team have already contacted every parent/carer of a child with an EHCP to discuss options should the school close.
- Teachers from the Advisory Teacher teams (Autism and Social Communication and Learning and Behaviour teams) will be supporting pupils on SEND Support at the school to make a smooth transition into their new placements should the school close.
- They are intending to work with families as part of this process and are making contact with the school this term to discuss ways forward for individual children.

Diocesan View

Trevor Cristin

Director of Education

How to Respond

- Our preferred method of response is to complete the online survey on our 'Have Your Say' website
- www.westsussex.gov.uk/rumboldswyke
- Alternatively, complete the response form at the end of the consultation booklet and return via your local school or by post to:
- **School Consultations, West Sussex County Council, Ground Floor, Northleigh, Chichester ,West Sussex, PO19 1RH**

Recent Discussion Topics

- Academisation with Bishop Luffa
- Surplus places in Chichester
- Future building development
- Pre-determination of closure

Thank you for listening

Questions

Comments

Clarifications