

STATUTORY PROPOSAL FOR PRESCRIBED ALTERATIONS TO PROVIDE SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS PROVISION IN A MAINSTREAM SCHOOL

1. Proposal relating to:

Beechwood Primary School, Grasmere Drive, Beechwood, Runcorn, Cheshire WA7 2TT

Proposer: Halton Borough Council, Kingsway, Widnes WA8 7QF

2. Description of Proposed Significant Change:

The proposed significant change will be the establishment of a Resource Base for up to six pupils in Foundation/Key Stage 1 with Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) difficulties at Beechwood Primary School, Grasmere Drive, Beechwood, Runcorn, Cheshire WA7 2TT

3. Evidence of Demand for Places

Following a review of special educational needs provision across Halton, it was determined, through consultation, that there was a requirement for additional provision within Halton for children with Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs. This proposed provision is intended to assist in pupils remaining within borough for their educational provision.

4. Objectives of the Proposal and Educational Standards, and Impact on Parental Choice

The overall objective of the proposal is to establish a Resource Base for Foundation/Key Stage 1 Pupils with Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs. The proposed provision will be appropriately resourced to ensure that the children placed within the base will be supported in achieving their educational outcomes.

This proposed resource base will allow the Council and parents/carers the option to place children within local provision, rather than in independent provision.

5. Effect on other Education Establishments in the Area

There will not be any effect on other educational establishments in the area.

6. Project costs and Value for Money

If the proposal for this provision is agreed, funding for the additional accommodation will be provided directly through Department for Education Grant Funding. Any building works will be subject to the Councils Financial Standing Orders and Procurement processes to ensure value for money.

7. Implementation and any proposed stages for implementation

It is intended that any new provision will be implemented in time for the September 2019 academic year.

8. Procedure for Responding to this Proposal

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, i.e. by Wednesday 25th July 2018, any person wishing to submit any comments either in support of, or objecting to the proposal may do so by using the online consultation response form for Beechwood Primary School which can be found at www.halton.gov.uk/RBconsultation.

Alternatively, you can request any of the proposal details and respond to this consultation in writing to Mr M Reaney, Operational Director Legal and Democratic Services, Municipal Building, Kingsway, Widnes WA8 7QF.

Applicable legislation: The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013.