

PREVIOUS PROCESSES OF CONSULTATION FROM 2004 TO OCTOBER 2008

1.0 Background

1.1 The Authority has been examining underperformance in schools and the effectiveness of the current primary, middle and high school organisation for some considerable period of time. This appendix sets out the range of consultation which has taken place with the public and other key stakeholders over this period of time.

1.2 The processes of consultation on school organisation can be seen in three distinct tranches. These occur in relation to specific decisions of the Council and the subsequent impact of local elections or further decisions of the Council. The tranches of consultation are as follows:

- 2004 – 2005 Consultation on a move from a primary, middle and high school organisation to a primary and secondary school organisation. This led to a decision by the then Children’s Services Select Committee, in April 2005, to move to formal consultation on a primary and secondary system of school organisation. Following the May 2005 local elections a new Council determined not to go to formal consultation and withdrew the proposal to move to a primary and secondary form of school organisation.
- 2007 – March – ‘Moving forward with Year 9’ a consultation on the retention of Year 9 within the middle schools and the formation of a single leadership and governance Trust for the high school sector.
- 2008 January –10 October 2008 – ‘which way forward for Island education?’ consultation booklet published. Initial consultation from January 2008 to March 2008 in respect of three options for school organisation. Following decisions of the 19 March 2008 and 3 June 2008 a formal consultation was carried out from 23 June 2008 to 10 October 2008 on a proposed move to a primary (4-11 age range minimum 1fe, maximum 2fe) and secondary (secondary 11-19 age range) school organisation and the specific proposals for each school.

2.0 2004 to 2005 Consultation

2.1 Meetings held with individual schools:

- Meeting with Headteacher & Chair together;
- Tour of school whilst pupils in operation;
- Meeting with Headteacher alone.

2.2 All the Headteachers of primary schools were invited to participate in a discussion about educational provision on the Island and its options for future development. For some, this was also followed up with a telephone conversation.

2.3 Meeting with and visit to Work Based Learning Providers.

2.4 Stakeholder Workshops – stage 1:

Groups consulted:

- Primary School Headteachers and Chairs of Governors;
- Diocesan Representatives;
- Parent Governors;
- Early Years / Foundation Stage Providers;

- Community Learning Partnership / 16+ Forum Connexions / Work-based Learning Providers;
- Secondary pupils;
- Special Needs / children's services interest;
- Middle School Headteachers and Chairs of Governors;
- The Island Teaching Council;
- High School Headteachers and Chairs of Governors;
- Learners from High Schools and College.

2.5 Workshop for Year 12 and 13 students on their experience of collaboration.

2.6 Meetings with other key stakeholders.

- Leaders of all the three main political groups of the Council;
- The Chief Executive of the Council;
- Director of Children's Services;
- Andrew Turner MP;
- Chief Executive of the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Learning and Skills Council.

2.7 Stakeholder workshops – stage 2.

- Primary, Middle, High and Special School Headteachers;
- High School representatives, 16+ Forum Connexions/Work-based learning providers;
- Chairs of Governors of all schools;
- Parent Governors;
- LEA Officers & Diocesan Representatives;
- Early Years/Foundation stage Providers Special Needs / children's services
- Chairs of Town Councils and Parish Councillors.

2.8 Other meetings were held as follows:

- Pre June 2005 – 67 x 2 hour pre collaboration discussion meetings.
- 9 x 2 hour area discussion (with head and chair).
- Post June 2005 – 3 meetings per school (67) for ½ day sessions.
- 9 evening area public meetings (to brief public) summer 2005.
- 9 evening area public meetings (to receive comments).

3.0 2007 – 'Moving forward with Year 9'

3.1 Consultation meetings held – attended by a total of 1054 people.

Ryde
Cowes
Newport
Sandown
Ventnor
Freshwater

3.2 Meetings held with Headteacher's of middle schools.

Kitbridge Middle School – 14 June
Sandham Middle School – 14 June
Forelands Middle School – 19 June
Downside Middle School – 21 June
Solent Middle School – 21 June
West Wight Middle School – 25 June
Somerton Middle School – 26 June
Nodehill Middle School – 28 June
Lake Middle School – 28 June
Ventnor Middle School – 29 June
ABK & Trinity Middle Schools– 29 June
Osborne Middle School – 2 July
Bishop Lovett CE Middle School – 3 July
Swanmore Middle School – 3 July
Mayfield Middle School – 4 July

3.3 Meetings were held with the staff of middle schools.

Forelands Middle School – 20 June
Kitbridge Middle School – 22 June
West Wight Middle School – 27 June
Solent Middle School – 29 June
Sandham Middle School – July 07
Ventnor Middle School – 2 July
Swanmore Middle School – 3 July
Mayfield Middle School – 4 July
Bishop Lovett CE Middle School – 5 July
Downside Middle School – 9 July
ABK & Trinity Middle Schools – 9 July
Lake Middle School – 9 July
Somerton Middle School – 10 July
Osborne Middle School – 11 July
Nodehill Middle School – 12 July

3.4 Meetings were held with parents of middle school pupils.

Lake Middle School – June 2007
Forelands Middle School – 21 June
Sandham Middle School – 25 June
Solent Middle School – 2 July
Swanmore Middle School – 3 July
West Wight Middle School – 4 July
Ventnor Middle School – 5 July
ABK & Trinity Middle Schools – 5 July
Mayfield Middle School – 9 July
Downside Middle School – 10 July (joint with Governors)
Kitbridge Middle School – 11 July
Osborne Middle School – 16 July
Somerton Middle School – 16 July
Nodehill Middle School – 17 July
Bishop Lovett CE Middle School – 18 July (joint with Governors)

3.5 Meetings held with Governors of middle schools.

Lake Middle School – 26 June
Solent Middle School -29 June
Sandham Middle School – July 2007
Forelands Middle School – July 2007
Swanmore Middle School – July 2007
Ventnor Middle School – 2 July
Downside Middle School – 10 July (joint with parents)
Trinity Middle School – 10 July
Nodehill Middle School – 12 July
Bishop Lovett Middle School – 18 July (joint with parents)
West Wight Middle School – 19 July
Somerton Middle School – 19 July
Mayfield Middle School – September 2007

4.0 **2008 January – 2008 10 October – ‘which way forward for Island education?’ consultation**

4.1 The informal stage of consultation.

Public meetings held:

Osborne Middle School – 24 January.
Ventnor Middle School – 28 January.
Forelands Middle School – 29 January.
Medina High School – 31 January.
Sandown High School – 4 February.
Swanmore Middle School – 5 February.
Carisbrooke High School – 6 February.
Ryde High School – 11 February.
West Wight Middle School – 12 February.
Cowes High School – 13 February.

4.2 Area by area meetings held for heads, representatives of governing bodies, pre-school leaders, and union representatives.

- Sandown High, Broadlea Primary, Gatten & Lake Primary, Brading Primary, St. Johns CE Primary, Sandown CE Primary, Shanklin CE Primary and Lake Middle & Sandham Middle Schools – 28 April.
- Ventnor Middle, Chale CE Primary, St. Boniface CE Primary, St. Wilfrid's Catholic Primary, St. Margarets CE Primary & Niton Primary Schools – 29 April.
- St. Helen's Primary, Bembridge CE Primary, Forelands Middle & Nettlestone Primary Schools – 30 April.
- Holy Cross Catholic Primary, East Cowes Primary, Whippingham Primary, Osborne Middle & Wootton Primary Schools – 1 May.
- Love Lane Primary, Cowes Primary, Gurnard Primary, Northwood Primary, Solent Middle & Somerton Middle & Cowes High Schools – 6 May.

- Oakfield CE Primary, Binstead Primary, Dover Park Primary, Greenmount Primary, Haylands Primary, St. Mary's Catholic Primary, Bishop Lovett CE Middle, Mayfield Middle, Swanmore Middle, Ryde High School – 7 May.
- Chillerton & Rookley Primary, Godshill Primary, Wroxall Primary, Arreton CE Primary, Newchurch Primary Schools – 8 May.
- West Wight Middle, All Saints CE Primary, Weston Primary, St. Saviours Catholic Primary, Brighstone CE Primary, Shalfleet CE Primary, Yarmouth CE Primary – 12 May.
- Nodehill Middle, Hunnyhill Primary, Kitbridge Middle, Downside Middle, Barton Primary, Summerfields Primary, Nine Acres Primary, Medina High, Carisbrooke CE Primary, Carisbrooke High, St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary, Newport CE Primary, Trinity Middle & ABK Middle Schools – 14 May.

4.3 The formal stage of consultation – 23 June to 10 October 2008.

Meetings held with staff of Primary, Middle and High Schools.

- Solent Middle School, Mayfield CE Middle School & Cowes High School – 23 June.
- Whippingham Primary School, East Cowes Primary School & Osborne Middle School - 25 June.
- Lake Middle School, Sandham Middle School & Sandown High School – 30 June.
- St. Helens Primary School, Chale CE Primary School & Weston Primary School – 2 July.
- Downside Middle School & Nodehill Middle School – 7 July.
- West Wight Middle School, Carisbrooke High School & Medina High School – 8 July.
- Swanmore Middle School, Bishop Lovett CE Middle School & Forelands Middle School – 14 July.
- Somerton Middle School, Ryde High School & Kitbridge Middle School – 15 July.
- Wroxall Primary School, Chillerton & Rookley Primary School & Godshill Primary School – 17 July.
- Ventnor Middle School – 21 July.
- St. Boniface CE Primary School & Gurnard Primary School – 8 September.
- Love Lane, Wootton, Northwood & Cowes Primary Schools – 10 September.
- Gatten & Lake, Newchurch, Broadlea & Niton Primary Schools – 11 September.
- St. Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School – 15 September.
- Yarmouth CE Primary School – 16 September.
- Dover Park, Binstead, Greenmount, Haylands & Nettlestone Primary Schools – 17 September.
- Shalfleet CE Primary School and Summerfields, Barton, Hunnyhill & Nine Acres Primary Schools – 18 September.
- St. Margaret's CE Primary School – 19 September.
- Arreton St. George's CE Primary School & St. Johns CE Primary School – 22 September.
- Carisbrooke CE, Bembridge CE, Brading CE, Shanklin CE, Brighstone CE, Newport CE, Oakfield CE, Holy Cross Catholic, St. Mary's Catholic, St. Saviours Catholic, St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic & All Saints CE Primary Schools – 23 September.
- Sandown CE Primary School – 24 September.

4.4 Meetings held with Governors of Primary, Middle and High Schools.

- Solent Middle School, Mayfield CE Middle School & Cowes High School – 23 June.

- Whippingham Primary School, East Cowes Primary School & Osborne Middle School – 25 June.
- Lake Middle School, Sandham Middle School & Sandown High School – 30 June.
- St. Helens Primary School, Chale Primary School & Weston Primary School – 2 July.
- Downside Middle School & Nodehill Middle School – 7 July.
- West Wight Middle School, Carisbrooke High School & Medina High School – 8 July.
- Swanmore Middle School, Bishop Lovett CE Middle School & Forelands Middle School – 14 July.
- Somerton Middle School and Ryde High School – 15 July.
- Kitbridge Middle School – 16 July.
- Wroxall Primary School, Chillerton & Rookley Primary School, Godshill Primary School – 17 July.
- Ventnor Middle School – 21 July.
- St. Boniface CE Primary School & Gurnard Primary School – 8 September.
- Love Lane, Wootton, Northwood & Cowes Primary Schools – 10 September.
- Gatten & Lake, Newchurch, Broadlea & Niton Primary Schools – 11 September.
- St. Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School – 15 September.
- Yarmouth CE Primary School – 16 September.
- Dover Park, Binstead, Greenmount, Haylands & Nettlestone Primary Schools – 17 September.
- Shalfleet CE Primary School and Summerfields, Barton, Hunnyhill & Nine Acres Primary Schools – 18 September.
- St. Margaret's CE Primary School – 19 September.
- Arreton St. George's CE Primary School & St. John's CE Primary School – 22 September.
- Carisbrooke CE, Bembridge CE, Brading CE, Shanklin CE, Brighstone CE, Newport CE, Oakfield CE, Holy Cross Catholic, St. Mary's Catholic, St. Saviours Catholic, St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic, All Saints CE Primary Schools – 23 September.
- Sandown CE Primary – 24 September.
- Early Years Providers – 25 September.

4.5 Meetings held with parents of Primary, Middle and High Schools.

- Cowes High, Solent Middle & Somerton Middle Schools – 24 June.
- Sandown High, Lake Middle, Sandham Middle & Forelands Middle Schools – 26 June.
- Osborne Middle, Whippingham Primary & East Cowes Primary Schools – 27 June.
- St. Helens Primary School, Chale Primary School and Weston Primary School – 2 July.
- Carisbrooke High, Nodehill Middle and West Wight Middle Schools – 9 July.
- Downside Middle, Medina High & Kitbridge Middle Schools – 9 July.
- Ryde High, Bishop Lovett CE Middle, Mayfield Middle & Swanmore Middle Schools – 16 July.
- Ventnor Middle, Wroxall Primary, Chillerton & Rookley Primary & Godshill Primary Schools – 21 July.
- St. Boniface CE, St. Wilfrid's Catholic & St. Margaret's CE Primary Schools – 8 September.
- Gurnard Primary School – 8 September.
- Love Lane, Wootton, Northwood & Cowes Primary Schools – 10 September.
- Gatten & Lake, Newchurch, Broadlea & Niton Primary Schools – 11 September.
- Yarmouth CE Primary School – 16 September.
- Dover Park, Binstead, Greenmount, Haylands & Nettlestone Primary Schools – 17 September.

- Shalfleet CE Primary School and Summerfields, Barton, Hunnyhill & Nine Acres Primary Schools – 18 September.
- Arreton St. George's CE Primary School and St. Johns CE & Sandown CE Primary Schools – 22 September.
- Carisbrooke CE, Bembridge CE, Brading CE, Shanklin CE, Brighstone CE, Newport CE, Oakfield CE, Holy Cross Catholic, St. Mary's Catholic, St. Saviours Catholic, St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic, All Saints CE Primary Schools – 23 September.

4.6 Public meetings.

- 3 July – Cowes Yacht Haven
- 10 July – Cowes Yacht Haven

4.7 Meetings held with Parish / Town Councils (all Parish / Town Councils were offered the opportunity of a consultation meeting).

- St. Helens Parish Council – 14 July
- Yarmouth Town Council – 30 July
- Chale Parish Council – 22 August
- Brading Parish Council – 16 September
- Ryde Town Council – 19 September
- St. Helens Parish Council – 22 September
- Sandown Town Council – 24 September
- Ventnor Town Council – 6 October
- Northwood Parish Council – 7 October