



Report of Chief Executive, Education Leeds

South Leeds (Outer) Area Committee

Date: Monday 30th November 2009

Subject: Consultation on the proposal to permanently expand Gildersome Primary School by one form of entry to two forms of entry with effect from September 2011

Electoral Wards Affected:

Morley North

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Council
Function

Delegated Executive
Function available
for Call In

Delegated Executive
Function not available for
Call In Details set out in the
report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents the Area Committee with the consultation document on the proposal to permanently expand Gildersome Primary School by one form of entry to two forms of entry with effect from September 2011.

The consultation document appended forms the basis of the report. Members of the Area Committee are asked to consider this and comment on the expansion proposals.

1.0 Purpose of This Report

1.1 The consultation document appended forms the basis of this report.

1.2 The consultation document asks for comments on proposals to

- permanently expand Gildersome Primary School by one form of entry to two forms of entry with effect from September 2011.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 Leeds City Council has a legal duty to provide school places for every child in the city taking into account where those children live and may want to attend school. Pupil projections for the area suggest there could be over 140 reception places needed by 2013. There are currently 120 reception places available each year.
- 2.2 The consultation period runs from Monday 9 November 2009 to Friday 18 December 2009. Education Leeds are holding meetings to gather the views of schools, families, young people, governors, and the general public to create opportunities to debate the proposals and ask questions. The findings from the consultation will be presented to the council's Executive Board.

3.0 Main Issues

- 3.1 All the issues are described in full in the consultation document.

4.0 Implications For Council Policy and Governance

- 4.1 All the issues are described in the Executive Board report considered in November 2009, which gave permission to consult on the proposals. The local authority has a statutory duty to provide sufficient school places. In planning that capacity, they need to take into account where those children live and where they might want to attend school.

5.0 Legal and Resource Implications

- 5.1 All the issues are described in the Executive Board report considered in November 2009, which gave permission to consult on the proposals.

6.0 Recommendations

- 6.1 The Area Committee is requested to
- Note and consider the report appended
 - Consider any response they wish to make as a part of the consultation

Background Papers

- Executive Board Report 4th November 2009. Proposal for expansion of Primary provision in the Gildersome area.