

# **Public consultation**

Proposal to expand Gildersome Primary School

**9 November to 18 December 2009**



# Public consultation on the proposal to expand Gildersome Primary School

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### **1.0 What are we asking you about?**

We want to expand Gildersome Primary School from one form of entry to two forms of entry from September 2011. This means that in 2011 the school would admit 60 pupils into reception, but not into the higher year groups. The school should fill to its maximum size of 420 pupils over seven years as the larger year groups move through the school. Each year group would then have two classes.

We are consulting you on the plans to expand the accommodation at the school to take these extra children.

We are giving Gildersome Primary a refurbishment. We would include those plans to expand accommodation from 210 to 420 pupils in the refurbishment project, and pay the increased costs from our capital education programme.

If this proposal proceeds we will also consult on the change to the admissions limit, the total number of children the school expects to allow into reception, through the normal admissions consultation for 2011. More details of the admissions process can be found on the Education Leeds website at [www.educationleeds.co.uk/admissions](http://www.educationleeds.co.uk/admissions)

### **2.0 Why are we asking you?**

The local authority has a legal duty to make sure that every child has a school place, and that children should not have an unreasonable journey to get there.

Our pupil projections, shown in section 6 of this booklet, predict where places will be needed based on birth rates, and patterns of where children are born compared with where they attend school. They suggest there could be 145 reception places needed in the Gildersome/Drighlington area by 2013. There are currently 120 reception places available each year.

The final decision will be made by Leeds City Council's highest decision-making body, the Executive Board. We have to provide the board with all the information they need to make that decision. This includes making sure we have shared the proposals with everyone involved, and given them an opportunity to comment, so we need you to read this booklet or attend the public meeting and give us any comments you have on the proposal.

### 3.0 How was the proposal developed and what other options were considered?

The pupil projections for the Gildersome/Drighlington planning area are shown in section 6 of this booklet. The figures show that we need to create an extra 29 reception places in Gildersome itself by 2011, on top of the 60 places which are available at the moment.

We have looked at all the schools in the area, and considered which could be expanded. We are already refurbishing Gildersome Primary through the Primary Capital Programme.

Making the decision to expand the school now would give us an opportunity to plan the extra rooms at the same time.

When finding the right schools to expand, we had to balance:

- our legal duties, which include making sure there are enough places, that families are offered choice and diversity, and considering the expansion of popular and successful schools;
- the areas where the extra places are needed;
- how expanding one school might affect the other schools in the area, and
- the practical reasons why many schools can't be expanded.

#### **Outcomes of considerations of other options in the area**

**Birchfield Primary Schools.** Although it is just as close as Gildersome Primary to the areas where we think the extra places will be needed, it would be more difficult to create the required extra space on this site.

**Drighlington Primary School.** This is not in the area where we expect to see the biggest increase in demand. The school could be expanded at a later date if the increase in population takes place in this area.

### 4.0 How to comment on the proposals

This consultation runs from Monday 9 November to Friday 18 December 2009. If you want the council's Executive Board to consider your views, we must receive your comments no later than 4pm on Friday 18 December 2009.

We are holding a public meeting on Monday 23 November 2009, 7pm, at Gildersome Primary School, where you will have the opportunity to debate the proposal and let us know your views.

Responses need to be in writing, or verbally at the meeting. We minute all public meetings and place the minutes on our website. It is important that, if you can, you give reasons for agreeing or disagreeing with the proposals so that as much information as possible is available to the Executive Board when making their decision.

Written responses can be made:

- Using the form in this booklet, which includes details of where to send it.
- By letter, to school organisation team, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor West, Merrion House, Merrion Way, Leeds LS2 8DT.
- By email: [educ.school.organisation@educationleeds.co.uk](mailto:educ.school.organisation@educationleeds.co.uk)

Responses can be anonymous, but if you require an acknowledgement please include your name and address.

In addition further copies of this booklet and the response form are available on the Education Leeds website at: [www.educationleeds.co.uk/schoolorganisation](http://www.educationleeds.co.uk/schoolorganisation). It has also been widely distributed, including to local councillors, MPs, the Catholic and Church of England Dioceses, and trades unions.

## **5.0 What happens to your comments?**

All your views will be summarised and presented to Leeds City Council's Executive Board, which will decide whether to proceed with the proposal or to change it in any way. We expect the Board to make this decision at their meeting on Friday 12 February 2010

Your comments are treated equally, whether you put them in writing or say them at the public meetings.

If the Executive Board decides to proceed a statutory notice confirming the details of, and inviting comments on, the final proposal is likely to be published after February 2010 half term in the Yorkshire Evening Post, and at: [www.educationleeds.co.uk/schoolorganisation](http://www.educationleeds.co.uk/schoolorganisation)

If you want to make sure the Executive Board considers your comments when making their final decision, you should make them again at this stage. This applies even if the comments are the same as you have contributed to this consultation.

The Executive Board must make its decision within two months of the statutory notice period, so the final decision on this proposal is likely to be made at their meeting on Wednesday 19 May 2010.

If objections are received, the School Organisation Advisory Board will sit ahead of the Executive Board meeting to make its recommendation on the proposals.

The School Organisation Advisory Body is made up of representatives from the area's education community. It has been established by the council's Executive Board to consider responses and make recommendations on the final decision regarding any proposals to change the size or organisation of schools.

## **6.0 Demographic data**

There are currently three schools in the Gildersome/Drighlington planning area: Gildersome Primary School, Birchfield Primary School, Drighlington Primary School. The total pupil numbers and projections for the area are shown below.

Data up to 2008/2009 is from the January school census, data for 2009/2010 onwards is projected pupil data, based on birth rates and previous pupil distribution patterns.

## Gildersome/Drighlington planning area

	REC	YR 1	YR 2	YR 3	YR 4	YR 5	YR 6	TOTAL	Ad Lim	NetCap	SURPLUS	%
2003/2004	125	121	130	140	114	108	119	857	140	955	98	10%
2004/2005	109	119	119	130	145	118	106	846	140	899	53	6%
2005/2006	101	107	125	115	132	143	114	837	120	811	-26	-3%
2006/2007	113	102	106	121	114	131	142	829	120	811	-18	-2%
2007/2008	102	112	100	108	116	115	133	786	120	811	25	3%
2008/2009	108	106	112	98	106	118	111	759	120	811	52	6%
2009/2010	123	111	105	111	96	107	116	770	120	811	41	5%
2010/2011	125	127	111	105	108	97	106	780	120	811	31	4%
2011/2012	145	130	127	111	102	110	96	820	120	811	-9	-1%
2012/2013	165	151	130	126	108	103	108	890	120	811	-79	-10%
2013/2014	145	171	151	129	123	110	101	930	120	811	-119	-15%

## Gildersome Primary school

	Rec	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Total	AdLim	NetCap	Surp	%
2003/2004	37	40	40	50	44	40	36	287	50	325	38	12%
2004/2005	24	36	41	41	55	46	40	283	50	298	15	5%
2005/2006	23	24	40	39	41	52	45	264	30	210	-54	-26%
2006/2007	23	26	26	36	35	40	51	237	30	210	-27	-13%
2007/2008	17	23	26	27	36	37	43	209	30	210	1	0%
2008/2009	29	21	24	26	29	37	35	201	30	210	9	4%
2009/2010	30	33	22	24	27	30	37	202	30	210	8	4%
2010/2011	35	35	34	22	25	27	30	208	30	210	2	1%
2011/2012	43	41	36	34	23	25	27	229	30	210	-19	-9%
2012/2013	47	50	42	36	35	23	25	259	30	210	-49	-23%
2013/2014	48	55	51	42	38	36	23	293	30	210	-83	-39%

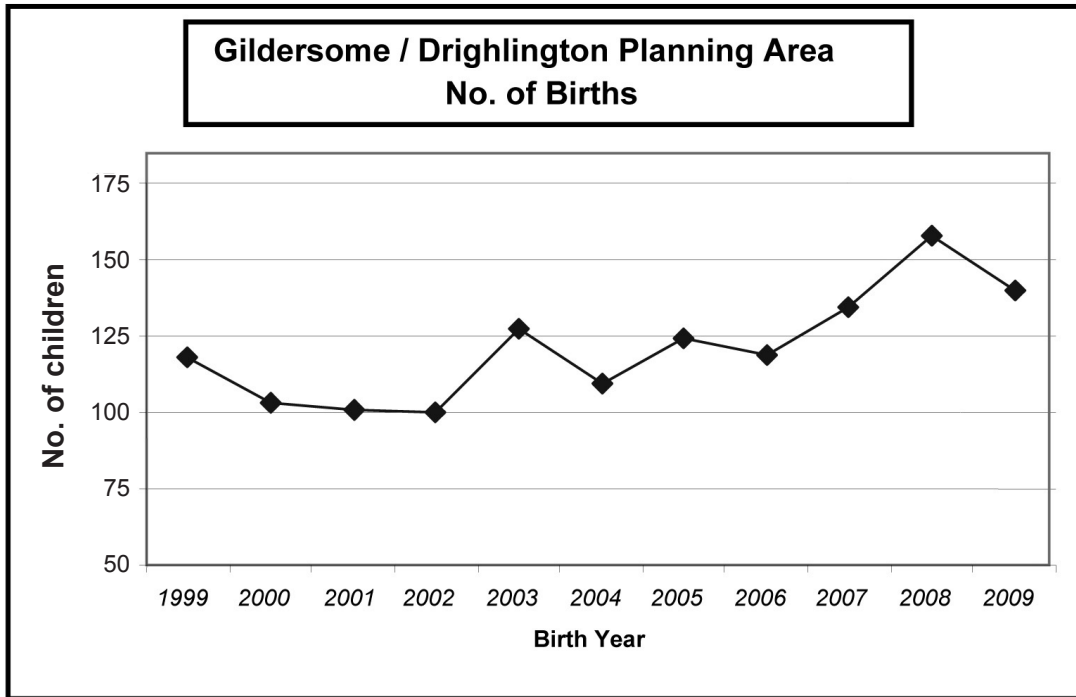
## Drighlington Primary school

	Rec	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Total	AdLim	NetCap	Surp	%
2003/2004	59	52	61	60	48	41	56	377	60	420	43	10%
2004/2005	56	53	50	59	59	50	38	365	60	420	55	13%
2005/2006	48	53	55	48	61	60	47	372	60	420	48	11%
2006/2007	60	47	51	55	49	62	61	385	60	420	35	8%
2007/2008	55	60	44	51	53	49	62	374	60	420	46	11%
2008/2009	49	55	59	44	47	54	47	355	60	420	65	15%
2009/2010	61	49	53	59	42	48	53	364	60	420	56	13%
2010/2011	53	61	47	53	56	43	47	360	60	420	60	14%
2011/2012	56	52	59	47	50	57	42	363	60	420	57	13%
2012/2013	67	55	51	59	45	51	55	384	60	420	36	9%
2013/2014	48	67	54	51	56	45	50	370	60	420	50	12%

## Birchfield Primary school

	Rec	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Total	AdLim	NetCap	Surp	%
2003/2004	29	29	29	30	22	27	27	193	30	210	17	8%
2004/2005	29	30	28	30	31	22	28	198	30	181	-17	-9%
2005/2006	30	30	30	28	30	31	22	201	30	181	-20	-11%
2006/2007	30	29	29	30	30	29	30	207	30	181	-26	-14%
2007/2008	30	29	30	30	27	29	28	203	30	181	-22	-12%
2008/2009	30	30	29	28	30	27	29	203	30	181	-22	-12%
2009/2010	32	30	30	28	27	30	27	203	30	181	-22	-12%
2010/2011	37	31	30	29	28	27	29	212	30	181	-31	-17%
2011/2012	46	37	31	29	29	27	27	227	30	181	-46	-25%
2012/2013	50	46	37	31	28	28	27	247	30	181	-66	-36%
2013/2014	50	49	46	36	30	28	28	267	30	181	-86	-48%

**Birth data**



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**PROPOSALS FOR EXPANSION OF GILDERSOME PRIMARY SCHOOL  
FOR SEPTEMBER 2011.**

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION RESPONSE FORM**

Please read the consultation booklet on the proposals and tell us what your views are. The questions on this form are provided to help you do so, but you do not have to respond to all of them. If you prefer not to use this form, you can also put your views in a letter. Letters and forms should be sent to the address at the bottom of this form. Extra copies of this booklet and response form are available at: [www.educationleeds.co.uk/schoolorganisation](http://www.educationleeds.co.uk/schoolorganisation). You may also respond by e-mail to: [educ.school.organisation@educationleeds.co.uk](mailto:educ.school.organisation@educationleeds.co.uk)

Responses must be received by 4pm Friday 18 December 2009. All responses will be reported to a meeting of the Executive Board of Leeds City Council in February 2010.

**QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE PROPOSALS**

**1. What are your views on the planned expansion of Gildersome Primary School?**

**2. Have you found this booklet useful?**

**3. Have you found the consultation process useful?**

**4. Do you have any other comments or views?**

Your personal details (so that your response can be formally acknowledged):

Name:

Address:

e-mail address:

**Which school are you associated with? .....**

Parent/carer of present pupil(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Member of staff	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parent/carer of primary school child	<input type="checkbox"/>	Local resident	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other adult relative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Elected member	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pupil	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community representative	<input type="checkbox"/>
Governor	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Data Protection Act 1998**  
 Under the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998 we must inform you of the following. Education Leeds and Leeds City Council are seeking your views to help inform the decision on this proposal. Your personal information will be used only for this purpose, and may be shared with other agencies who are involved in the consultation, however only to address any issues you raise. If you do not wish to provide personal details your views will still be considered, but we will not be able to acknowledge your response personally.

**Please send your reply to:**  
 Chief Executive, Education Leeds, FAO: school organisation team  
 9<sup>th</sup> Floor West, Merrion House, 110 Merrion Centre, Leeds, LS2 8DT.

**If you do not speak English and need help in understanding this document, please phone 0113 224 3311 and state the name of your language. We will then put you on hold while we contact an interpreter. We can assist with any language and there is no charge for interpretation.**

अगर आप अंग्रेजी नहीं बोल सकते और आप को यह दस्तावेज समझने के लिए मदद की आवश्यकता है, तो कृपया **0113 224 3311** के उपर टेलीफोन करे. हम आपको टेलीफोन पर ही होल्ड कर के एक इन्टरप्रिटर (दुभाषिये) का संपर्क करेंगे. हम आपको कोई भी भाषा में मदद कर सकते हैं ओर दुभाषिये की सेवा के लिए कोई खर्च वसूल नहीं किया जाएगा.

আপনি যদি ইংরেজীতে কথা না বলেন এবং এই দলিলটি বুঝতে সাহায্যের দরকার হয় তাহলে দয়া করে 0113 224 3311 এই নম্বরে ফোন করুন এবং আপনি যে ভাষায় কথা বলেন সেই ভাষার নাম বলুন। তারপর আমরা আপনাকে ফোন ধরে রাখতে বলে একজন ইন্টারপ্রিটারের (দোভাষী) সঙ্গে যোগাযোগ করব। আমরা যে কোন ভাষায় সাহায্য করতে পারি, এবং বিনামূল্যে ইন্টারপ্রিটেশনের (ভাষান্তরন) ব্যবস্থা করা হয়।

凡不懂英語又需要協助了解這份資料內容者，請致電 **0113 224 3311** 並說明本身的母語名稱。當我們聯絡傳譯員時，請稍候切勿掛斷電話。我們可以提供各種語言的傳譯服務，而且毋須收費。

ਜੇਕਰ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਅੰਗ੍ਰੇਜ਼ੀ ਜ਼ਬਾਨ ਨਹੀਂ ਬੋਲਦੇ ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਨੂੰ ਸਮਝਣ ਲਈ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਦੀ ਲੋੜ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ **0113 224 3311** ਤੇ ਫੋਨ ਕਰੋ ਅਤੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਜ਼ਬਾਨ ਦਾ ਨਾਂ ਦੱਸੋ। ਫਿਰ ਅਸੀਂ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਉਦੋਂ ਤਕ ਇੰਤਜ਼ਾਰ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਕਹਾਂਗੇ ਜਦੋਂ ਤਕ ਅਸੀਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਇੰਟਰਪਰੈਟਰ ਨਾਲ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਾਂ। ਅਸੀਂ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਜ਼ਬਾਨ ਲਈ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਦੇ ਸਕਦੇ ਹਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਇੰਟਰਪਰੈਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਲਈ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਫੀਸ ਨਹੀਂ ਦੇਣੀ ਪੈਂਦੀ।

اگر آپ انگریزی زبان نہیں بولتے اور اس دستاویز کو سمجھنے کے لیے آپ کو مدد کی ضرورت ہے تو براہ مہربانی **0113 224 3311** پر فون کریں اور اپنی زبان کا نام بتائیں۔ ہم آپ کو انتظار کرنے کے لیے کہیں گے اور اس دوران کسی انٹریپرٹریعنی ترجمان سے رابطہ کریں گے۔ ہم کسی بھی زبان میں آپ کی مدد کر سکتے اور ترجمانی کی خدمت کے لیے آپ سے کوئی رقم نہیں لی جاتی۔

# Public meeting

## Proposal to expand Gildersome Primary School

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Your chance to find out  
more and ask us questions.

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**Monday 23 November 2009, 7pm**

Gildersome Primary School,  
Town Street, Gildersome,  
Leeds. LS27 7AB.

**Education Leeds** 