

Appendix 1.

**Detailed summary of survey responses received**

**Question asked:** Do you support or oppose the proposal to open a secondary free school in East Leeds?

The summary of comments has been presented according to themes e.g. 'Site considerations' with specific comments captured within each theme as provided by respondents in the consultation responses. It is the case that some respondents made a number of comments which fell within the various themes.

Themes in Support / Opposing	Theme	Summary Detail of Responses by Theme	Total No. of comments by theme
Themes Supporting Proposal	Location & Sufficiency	More school places are needed in this area There is a growing number of young people in this area A school in this area would attract a lot of local pupils Places will be needed due to building/housing developments A new school is very much needed in this area There is a lack of secondary schools in the area Existing schools in this area are oversubscribed The area would benefit from an increase in school places	88
	Miscellaneous	Will increase choice for parents Existing schools have a poor reputation We need more provision for children with SEN East Leeds needs a school with SEN provision This school will provide more inclusive education for young people with SEND More schools would allow for less crowded classes More education providers means less pressure on the existing schools in the area Children will not have to travel as far for school There are not enough schools like this There are not enough places in high quality provision /schools that are good or better in this area A new school would provide better education There are a lot of children without an education and every child deserves to be in school Will support local businesses Will bring new jobs for the area	71
	Highways & Environment	Would allow children to be able to walk to school instead of being bused or driven and so reduce traffic	2

<b>Themes Opposing Proposal</b>	<b>Location &amp; Sufficiency</b>	<p>Torre road site is the wrong location the new school needs to be around Crossgates / Whinmoor to meet the demand from housing</p> <p>The Co-op Academy is less than 200 yards away</p> <p>There are schools in the area that are not full</p> <p>There are enough schools in the area already</p> <p>Will overlook houses on Torre Close taking away their privacy</p> <p>Having 2 schools so close to each other may cause rivalry, fighting and anti-social behaviour</p>	23
	<b>Site Considerations</b>	Access to the site would be very difficult there is already a lot of traffic due to the local primary school	1
	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<p>There should be a focus on improving the existing schools</p> <p>There are not enough teaching staff in the existing schools in the area</p> <p>The proposed size of the school is too big</p> <p>A more centrally located provision should be provided for children who have high functioning ASD who can't manage mainstream school</p> <p>Leeds is in desperate need of a dedicated MLD school. Our children are being failed because they are being pushed into mainstream settings that are totally inappropriate for the SEMH</p> <p>30 SEN places is not enough</p> <p>Existing schools could be expanded instead</p>	12
	<b>Highways &amp; Environment</b>	<p>The road infra structure cannot accommodate the increased traffic.</p> <p>Concern over loss of green space</p> <p>Concerns over increase in air pollution</p> <p>Concerns over noise</p> <p>Concerns over increase in traffic</p>	22
	<b>School related</b>	<p>Do not agree with Academies or Free Schools</p> <p>All schools should be under LCC jurisdiction</p>	10
<b>Suggestions</b>	<p>LS15 and LS14 are crying out for both primary and secondary schools</p> <p>It should be primary as well as secondary in one school, so parents who have more than 1 child, can send our kids to the same school</p> <p>It should be closer to Seacroft hospital site with all the new houses which have been built there need a good high school in ls15 area</p> <p>There needs to be an autism specific school built in Leeds, specifically for those at the 'higher functioning' part of the spectrum: those who are bright and academic but can't cope in mainstream</p>	5	

**Question asked:** Do you support or oppose the use of the unused land close to Torre Road and Trent Road as the location of the new free school?

The summary of comments has been presented in the table below. It is the case that some individual respondents made a number of comments.

Comments in Support / Opposing	Summary Detail of Responses	Total No. of comments
<p><b>Comments in support of site</b></p>	<p>This site is currently under utilised</p> <p>Good use of the land</p> <p>Better use of the land as is currently a hot spot for anti-social behaviour</p> <p>Will help a large number of young people</p> <p>It is land that would be well suited to the needs of the area</p> <p>A new school will alleviate pressure on the other schools in the area</p> <p>If the land is currently unused then it is a good idea to utilise it for school</p> <p>Good central location with good transport links</p> <p>Easily accessible</p> <p>There is a shortage of suitable sites</p> <p>It is a better use of land than other sites that would be viable in the area</p> <p>This area would be regenerated with a new school. A new building on this site would be good for the community</p> <p>Good location</p> <p>Would rather see a school built here than more housing / supermarket</p> <p>This is a densely built up area a school here would allow children to walk to school</p>	<p>79</p>
<p><b>Comments opposing the site</b></p>	<p>If the warehouse/offices remain on site I feel this will be a potential risk and would not be a good idea</p> <p>Too close to other schools</p> <p>It is a residential area with densely populated housing</p> <p>It is going to be too big a school for this area</p> <p>The site is in central Leeds, not east Leeds</p> <p>It is not a good area for a school and would not be popular with parents to send their children to</p> <p>Increase to traffic</p> <p>Inconsiderate parking on residential streets</p> <p>Loss of green space / playing fields</p> <p>Lack of access</p> <p>Should be in a more central location</p> <p>Should look for a site further out of the city centre</p> <p>It would be better to knock down disused buildings and place school here</p>	<p>54</p>

<b>Suggestions</b>	<p>This site should be considered for a waste management site (tip) with pedestrian access</p> <p>Some green space should be retained</p> <p>It could also be opened up to the community and offer classes/ support to the people living in the locality</p>	3
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**Question asked:** Do you support or oppose the proposal to create a specialist resourced provision for up to 30 students with complex learning and communication needs who may have a diagnosis such as Autism Spectrum Condition?

The summary of comments has been presented in the table below. It is the case that some individual respondents made a number of comments.

Comments in Support / Opposing	Summary Detail of Responses	Total No. of comments
<b>Comments in support of specialist resourced provision</b>	<p>SEND provision is desperately needed across the city</p> <p>We need more places than this</p> <p>We need to provide places for those with complex needs</p> <p>The more support young people can have the better</p> <p>Good idea to integrate these places with mainstream</p> <p>There is not much provision like this in the area</p> <p>A specialist provision will enrich the lives of young people with SEN</p> <p>It will enable these young people to access mainstream at a pace that suits their needs</p> <p>There are too many children with complex learning and communication needs who are not having their needs met in mainstream education</p> <p>We need specialist schools to cater for the autistic child who is of average or above intellectual ability but still struggles with autistic traits such as severe anxiety, sensory issues, need for routines and sameness etc., that make attending mainstream provision a massive challenge</p> <p>There are not enough specialist units within mainstream schools</p> <p>Children with SEN should be supported</p>	63
<b>Comments opposing specialist resourced provision</b>	<p>Money should be spent on an autism specific school instead</p> <p>These places could be put in other existing local schools</p> <p>This is the wrong area to put the provision</p> <p>Put the places in the East Leeds Extension</p> <p>This provision should not be put in a free school</p> <p>These children need to be taught in smaller groups</p> <p>Don't agree that this type of provision should be within mainstream</p>	16

<b>Suggestions</b>	<p>Make it so you can add more places if they become necessary</p> <p>I strongly support this however I feel as though the really gap in SEND provision is high functioning autism / Asperger's with some SEMH needs as well as mental health and well-being needs i.e. diagnosed mental health conditions, anxiety based conditions. These need to be catered for in small groups. Has the council thought about allocating 5 places of the provision to this in a smaller separate unit?</p> <p>I'd like to see a dedicated MLD school rather than a token effort of 30 places in a mainstream setting.</p> <p>Also need provisions for children who have suffered trauma, particularly fostered children or adopted children who have trauma and attachment difficulties</p>	4
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