

## **Outcome of consultation on a proposal to close Queensway Primary School when term ends in July 2023**

Table summarising the themes from respondents who opposed the proposal:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Number of responses</b>
Sufficiency of places	Alternative options have not been fully considered	14
	Current surplus is due to recent expansion at nearby schools	19
	New housing will increase demand for places	84
	Places at Queensway will be needed to meet future demand	92
	Disagreement with data presented	65
	Insufficient places in local schools to relocate Queensway pupils	129
	Children would be in larger classes at other schools	62
	Children would be in inferior accommodation at other schools	17
	Potential loss of other services at Queensway	38
Impact of proposal on children and families	Uncertainty about school's future is causing distress to children and their families	58
	The move to a new school would negatively impact on children's wellbeing	156
	Children's learning will be negatively impacted	132
	Negative impact linked to socio-economic factors	54
	Impact of Covid pandemic and need for stability	72
	Friendship groups may be split up at other schools	56
	Sibling groups may be split up at other schools	29
	Local schools for local children	111
	Proposal is based too much on data and/or financial considerations, not on impact on children and families	73
	Other schools could not provide the same level of support for pupils with SEND /vulnerable learners	96
	Children will have to travel further to get to school and may not be able to walk there	129
	Negative impact of school run arrangements on families	87
	Insufficient or inconvenient Out of School Club options available at other schools	10
	Children's safety would be at risk / safeguarding concerns	30
Impact of proposal on other schools	Increased pressure on resources at other local schools	99
	Increased class sizes / over-capacity at other local schools	302
	Negative impact on children already on roll at other schools	95
	Negative impact on Early Years settings at other schools	6
	Negative impact on traffic / parking / road safety at other local schools	61
	Negative environmental impact and/or Climate Emergency concerns	29
School / education	Positive comments about current leadership / staff at Queensway and their impact	121
	Positive comments about teaching and/or learning at Queensway	59
	Positive comments about SEND support / inclusion at Queensway	149
	Positive comments about pastoral support / support for families at Queensway	112
	Positive comments about small class sizes at Queensway / being a small school	65
	Queensway is at the heart of the community	212
	High proportion of learners have additional needs	68
	The school's popularity has been negatively impacted by historical issues that are now resolved	37

	Queensway has not had the opportunity to rebuild its reputation ahead of consultation	26
	Consultation has negatively impacted on current/future numbers on roll at Queensway	21
	Queensway is not financially sustainable	1
	Jobs would be lost if Queensway closes	47
Site Considerations	Concern that site will be used for housing	30
	Good facilities at Queensway including outdoor space that should be retained	12
	Concern about impact on the area if the building is vacant	9
Ofsted	Recent Ofsted outcome does not reflect positive impact of new leadership	14

Table summarising the themes from respondents who supported the proposal:

Theme	Number of responses
Proposal is needed to manage lower numbers in the area	2
Other local schools can absorb the need from Queensway (including Early Years provision & Out of School Clubs)	6
Closure of Queensway will improve the financial viability / sustainability of other local schools	3
Decreasing popularity of school	1
Current/future numbers on roll is low	4
Concerns about the standard of education at Queensway / declining standards at Queensway	5
Queensway is not / will not be financially sustainable / viable	3
Recent poor Ofsted outcome	6
Queensway has demonstrated limited capacity to improve over time	1
Past safeguarding issues	1
School is on a main road	1
Better schools in the area	2
Efficient use of resources	1