

**Summary of Written Responses to the Consultation**

**Proposal to make prescribed changes to St Nicholas (Community) Special School from September 2022**

- **Establish a satellite provision for 24 primary aged pupils at Parkside Primary School**
- **Increase the designated number from 285 to 310.**

Consultation information was distributed to:

- All Parents/Carers, Governors and Members of Staff at St Nicholas Special School and Parkside Primary School
- All schools in the Canterbury District;
- All Special Schools in east Kent
- Elected representatives.
- Diocesan Authorities
- Other interested parties.

**Consultation Responses**

A total of 6 written responses were received and they were all supportive of the proposal.

<b>Which of the following best describes you?</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Undecided/Not stated</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Parents/Carers</b>				
<b>Pupils</b>				
<b>Members of Staff</b>	2			<b>2</b>
<b>Governor</b>	1			<b>1</b>
<b>Other Interested Parties</b>	3			<b>3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>6</b>

Additional comments were made on the response forms including:

Comment 1

I have worked in SEN for many years and understand the importance of having a dedicated provision with staff who are skilled and experienced in providing specialist education and care.

I recognise how constructive it is for some young people with SEN to be able to be part of the mainstream environment but also have the support in place nearby so that they thrive.

It is also good for the whole school as everyone learns from each other and shares good practice.

Comment 2

This will continue the close collaboration between the two schools and will be in the interests of both sets of pupils.

Comment 3

This will be a great opportunity to continue building relationships between specialist provision and mainstream education facilities.