

Consultation Summary Report

This report sets out and evaluates the responses received from the consultation on the proposal to make prescribed changes to Meadowfield (Foundation) Special School from September 2022

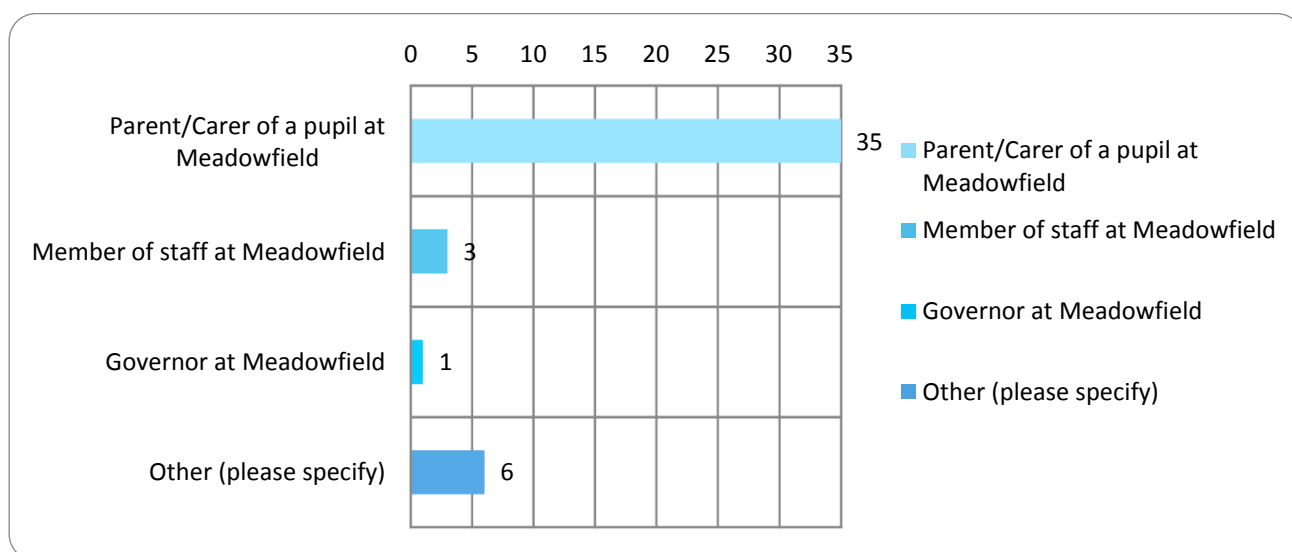
- Establish a satellite provision for 16 primary aged pupils at Sunny Primary School
- Increase the designated number from 343 to 366.

Consultation information was distributed to:

- All Parents/Carers, Governors and Members of Staff at Meadowfield Special School and Sunny Bank Primary School
- All schools in the Swale District.
- All Special Schools in east Kent
- Elected representatives.
- Diocesan Authorities
- Other interested parties.

Respondents

A total of 45 responses were received. 22 responses were received by the on-line response form on the KCC website. 21 responses were received via post and 2 via email. The following table shows the capacity in which they were completing the questionnaire:



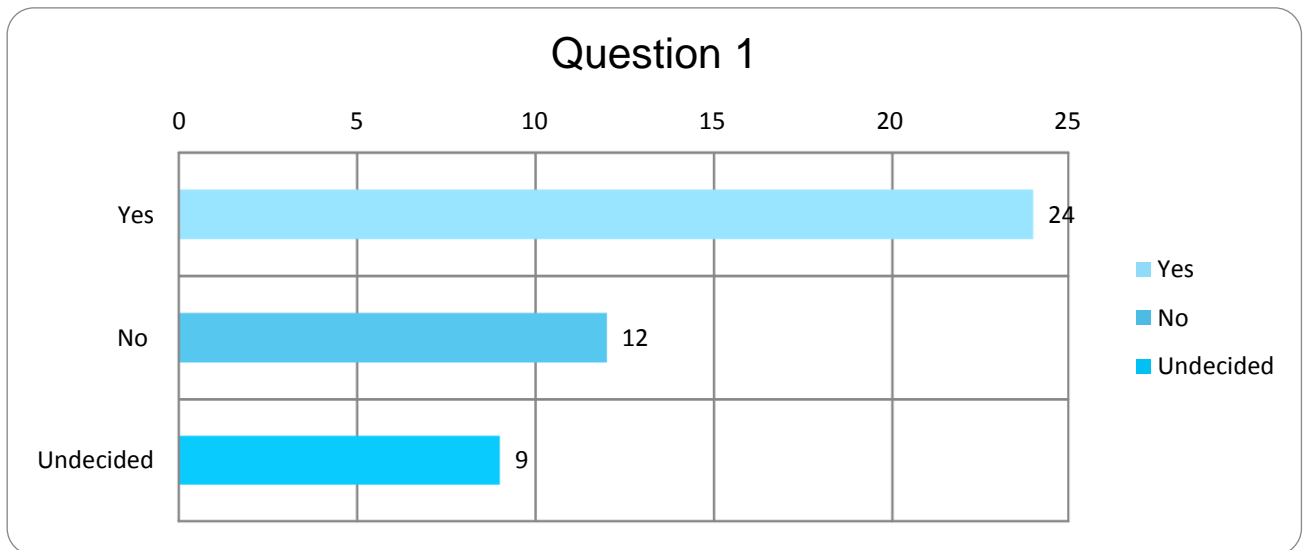
Consultation responses

Analysis of each survey question can be found below with the question asked.

Question 1

Do you agree with the plan to create a 16 place primary satellite of Meadowfield at Sunny Bank Primary School?

A total of 45 written responses were received with 24 supportive, 12 against and 9 were undecided.



A total of 22 written comments were received and of these 10 were supportive of the proposal and 12 did not support the proposal.

The main theme of the supportive responses was that there was a need for additional SEN provision in Swale and the proposal would add the much needed capacity. Another theme which supported the proposal was that the proposal would give opportunities for pupils to integrate at a mainstream school.

The main theme of the responses that did not support the proposal, was that they were concerned about the capacity of Meadowfield to cope with expansion and manage staffing of the provision at another site. Another theme which was not supportive, raised the appropriateness of Sunny Bank Primary School hosting the provision and its current Ofsted rating.

Question 2

Do you agree with the plan to increase the designated number from 348 to 366?

A total of 42 responses were received to this question with 24 supportive, 10 against and 8 were undecided.

