

Table 1 Projected number of primary aged pupils in the area	School places available 2010-11	2010-11 (A)	2014-15 (F)
Total pupils within 2 miles	336	336	401
Surplus / deficit places within 2 miles	-	0	-65
Total pupils within 3 miles	581	576	707
Surplus / deficit places within 3 miles	-	5	-126
Forecast roll data based on projections made in Summer 2010			

(A) Actual (F) Forecast

Table 2 Projected number of reception year children in the area	Reception places available 2010-11	2010-11 (A)	2014-15 (F)
Total reception year pupils within 2 miles	48	48	65
Surplus / deficit reception year places within 2 miles	-	0	-17
Total reception year pupils within 3 miles	83	83	107
Surplus / deficit reception year places within 3 miles	-	0	-24
Forecast roll data based on projections made in Summer 2010			

Public Consultation Document



Kent County Council would like to hear
your views on a proposal to expand
Aldington Primary School
from 140 places to 210 places.

Date of Public Meeting:
Monday 27 June 2011 at 7pm
at Aldington Primary School, Roman Road,
Aldington, Ashford TN25 7EE

PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS BELOW

If you require this document in another format please contact your school

This document is available on:
[http://www.kent.gov.uk/education_and_learning/
plans_and_consultations/consultations.aspx](http://www.kent.gov.uk/education_and_learning/plans_and_consultations/consultations.aspx)



1. THE PROPOSAL

Kent County Council would like to expand Aldington Primary School by 10 places per year group, taking the total capacity of the school from 140 places to 210 places. The school would then admit 30 pupils per year. The expansion would be gradual with the additional places likely to be created annually to accommodate reception aged pupils only. The first intake of 30 pupils per year would be from September 2012.

Aldington Primary School is popular. Over 60 families applied for the 20 year R places at Aldington School for September 2011; 29 as first preferences. The school's last Ofsted report (May 2011) showed it to be 'good with outstanding features'. The proposal is, therefore, in line with the expectation of expanding popular, successful schools.

We have asked the School to admit 25 pupils into year R in September 2011 to ensure that all children from the village have places. Options are being explored for an extension to the school by September 2012 using available funds from Developer Contributions. The school will not need additional accommodation for September 2011.

We are undertaking a public consultation to seek the views of the wider community on this proposal. The Public Consultation Period will run from 15 June to 26 July. There will be a public meeting on 27 June which will give you the opportunity to make your views known and to ask any questions you may have. There is a form at the end of this document which we ask you to complete and return to us by 26 July 2011.

2. THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOOL PLACES

The school planning data contained in Table 1 on page 4 shows that there are currently no spare primary school places within two miles of Aldington Primary School. Forecasts show that there will be a shortfall of 65 places by 2014. Table 2 shows forecast figures for children aged 4 years old in the area (i.e. Reception aged pupils). There are currently no spare places and there will be a shortfall of 17 places by 2014.

3. WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Following the Consultation, all views received, either by post, e-mail or at the Public Meeting, will be reported to the School Organisation Advisory Board.*	7 Sep 2011
The Cabinet Member decides whether to continue with the proposal. If so, a Public Notice will be published in a local newspaper, at the school and in public places like the library. During this time comments and objections can be made about the proposal. The Public Notice will run for 6 weeks.	Public Notice: 7 Oct 2011 - 17 Nov 2011
The Cabinet Member considers all responses made and makes a decision whether to go ahead.	Dec 2011
If a decision cannot be made by the Local Authority then the matter will go to the Adjudicator.	Dec 2011 - Feb 2012
Implementation	Sep 2012

* The School Organisation Advisory Board meeting is held at County Hall, Maidstone and the webcast can be watched via the kent.gov.uk website. **The meeting is open to the Public.**

4. HOW TO GIVE YOUR VIEWS

Complete and return the response form to:

David Adams, Area Education Officer, Mid Kent Office, Kroner House, Eurogate Business Park, Ashford, Kent TN24 8XU **Fax:** (01233) 898500

Come to the Public Meeting at the school on 27 June 2011 at 7pm.

Email your comments to: school.consultations@kent.gov.uk

(We will note all you say, but will not be able to respond individually to response forms, letters or emails).

Kent County Council is a data controller under the Data Protection Act 1998 and will comply with the requirements of the Act at all times. We will ensure that your personal information is processed fairly and lawfully and in this instance used only for the purpose of validation, which will enable a fair and just consultation.



Public Consultation Response Form : Aldington Primary School

Please return no later than 5pm on Tuesday 26 July 2011

You can also email your views to: school.consultations@kent.gov.uk

Do you agree with the proposal?

Yes

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No

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I am: *A Parent/Carer; Member of Staff; Governor; Student; Other interested party

.....(please state). * Please delete as appropriate

Name:

Address: