

PUBLIC VIEWS ON THE HOMEWOOD TRUST PROPOSAL

Summary of written responses

Consultation documents distributed: 1,000
 Responses received as at 4 November 2008: 5

	Support	Against	No View Expressed	Total
Representatives of the Ashford Partnership			1	1
A member of staff at a local school				
A pupil at a local school				
A governor at a local school			1	1
A parent of a child at a local school (Challock primary)			1	1
A local community representative				
A resident of Repton Park	2			2
An early years provider				
Other interested party				
Total	2	0	3	5

Comments made:

- The proposal will greatly benefit and build the local community
- Important for people who don't drive
- Consideration needs to be taken in the planning stages about the potential increase in traffic and need for more parking spaces.
- Concern that there was only one entrant to the competition.
- The motives of Homewood School need to be clarified.
- Long term implications for education in Ashford – must avoid creating a feeder school specifically for Homewood.
- Concern that Homewood School has not yet achieved Trust status.
- The distance of Homewood School from Repton Park is considered too far (12 miles) and could undermine the development of the Kent trust development based on the local partnership. This proposal extracts this primary school from potential partnerships with the other primary and secondary schools in Ashford 1 cluster.