

Subject: Increase the designated number of The Beacon Folkestone to 380 places and the opening of a satellite classroom at Castle Hill Primary School

1. Summary of Written Responses to the consultation

1.1 A summary of the responses received:

	In Favour	Opposed	Undecided	Totals
Parents	22	4	4	30
Resident				
Other	2			2
Totals	24	4	4	32

1.2 Summary of the comments received:

- The proposal will benefit pupils and staff at both schools.
- It is important for children to learn to accept and understand differences.
- This partnership will only benefit Castle Hill's excellent SEN provision and ethos
- Inclusion is key to a successful society
- The opportunity for 2 Castle Hill pupils to have access to specialist teaching should be welcomed.
- If there is a risk that the learning of the pupils will be disrupted, I would be undecided about the proposal.
- Will the beacon teacher be in the classroom with the Castle Hill teacher?
- Will there be more Dinner Ladies on the playground?

2. Minutes of the Public Meeting, Wednesday 13 February 2019

In Attendance:	Mr Peter Talbot	Headteacher – Castle Hill CPS
	Lynda Evans	Asst. Headteacher – The Beacon Folkestone
	David Adams	Area Education Officer – South Kent
	Lee Round	Area Schools Organisation Officer – South Kent
	Julie Hawkins	Notetaker

Apologies were received from Ady Young - Headteacher, The Beacon Folkestone. Approximately 15 people attended the meeting.

Purpose of the Meeting

To explain the proposal to increase the designated number of The Beacon Folkestone and to locate a satellite of The Beacon Folkestone (TBF) for up to 10 pupils at Castle Hill CPS (CHCPS).

Introductions took place and David Adams explained the proposal in detail, the reasons behind it and how it was envisaged the satellite would work at CHCPS.

Mr P Talbot, Headteacher at CHCPS reflected that the proposal had been a simple decision from the start as CHCPS was all about inclusion. Questions at the start of the project were about setting up, staffing and sharing of bills between the two schools, these had all been clarified. Integration would be carefully planned leading to a positive impact. The old hearing-impaired unit would become the new fit for purpose building for the satellite following building works.

Julie Nixon, Chair of Governors at TBF noted that everyone was really excited about CHCPS and TBF working together. It was seen as a great opportunity. There was already joint collaborative working between the two schools and had been for some time.

Lynda Evans, Assistant Headteacher at TBF noted that the two schools had been working so well together for a long time that it had been an easy decision for CHCPS to be the first choice for this project. There was already a nurture provision on site, there were strong links with teachers and joint working. It is all about what we can offer each other.

Comment	Response
Will there be an impact on Mrs Stockley's time (SENCO)	No, Lynda Evans did not feel this would be a problem at all.