

Appendix 1: Proposal to increase capacity at Chetwynd Junior School– Overview of Consultation Responses

Reasons Against Proposal	% of respondents against proposal	WCC response
<p>Increase in Traffic and Parking at pick up and drop off: Increase in traffic as a result of the expansion and the impact this would have on the roads around the school particularly relating to parking, impact on residents and the safety of pedestrians.</p>	49%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p>
<p>Access is not adequate: School is accessed off Caroline Close. People drive rather than walk down the close. At school drop off and pick up area becomes overcrowded with vehicles creating safety concerns for pedestrians.</p>	32%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p>
<p>Pressure on parking: linked to the increase in traffic, comments mainly relating to the impact on residents, parking on busy roads, limited residential</p>	24%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p>

parking. When the area gets too busy it can get dangerous for pedestrians		As part of traffic management around the school, with or without school expansion, an active travel plan is pushed by the school encouraging more families to walk from home or to park further away from the immediate area around the school and walk to school.
Improve Parking and traffic management: Concerns and comments regarding the need for additional parking. Suggestions for ways to manage traffic – one way system, school street, speed restrictions	10%	The feasibility and planning process will investigate the necessary additional parking requirements for the school which will include additional parking for staff.
Safety Concerns: Primarily to pedestrians (parents and children) as a result of the increase in traffic and parking, particularly in Caroline Close	7%	As part of the statutory planning application, transport assessment and surveys and consultation with Highways/road safety will be undertaken.
School will be too big: Comments relating to the school losing its 'community, friendly' feel, children with SEND will not be able to cope with more noise, children	7%	The community is growing and the school needs to expand to continue to meet the need for places from the growing community. The needs of pupils with SEND can continue to be managed within a growing school
Open a new school	5%	New schools will form part of the larger strategic sites. There is no school site safeguarded on a housing development in this area. The demand for places from housing will be circa a form of entry (210 places). It had been recognised that both Whitestone Infant and Chetwynd Junior Schools previously operated at a higher capacity/pupil number than they do currently and therefore the LA are looking to re introduce that capacity rather than establish new provision
Impact on existing pupils: Adding more children a	5%	Facilities and resources provided to meet needs of all children

detriment to existing children		
No room in school for more pupils	5%	School previously operated at 4FE. Internal and external modifications would be made as part of the proposal to ensure appropriate and sufficient accommodation is in place to accommodate the pupil increase. External space has been assessed as sufficient in accordance with current guidelines.
Impact on other school numbers: A school outside the local area with some surplus capacity concerns that this expansion will impact on numbers further	2%	Capacity in neighbouring schools will be needed for families moving into the area outside of coordination
Additional school places needed	2%	
School site is big enough for expansion but access is not sufficient	2%	
Will there be teachers to staff the increase?	2%	School will recruit teaching staff in line with increase in pupil numbers
Lower chance of local children obtaining a place at the school	2%	Increasing places will increase the chances of meeting demand
Reasons In Agreement with Proposal	% of respondents For proposal	WCC response
Additional school places are needed	29%	
Access is not adequate: School is accessed off Caroline Close. At school drop off and pick up area becomes overcrowded with vehicles creating	21%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.

safety concerns for pedestrians		
Pressure on Parking Increase in traffic causes parking issues around the school	14%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p> <p>As part of traffic management around the school, with or without school expansion, an active travel plan is pushed by the school encouraging more families to walk from home or to park further away from the immediate area around the school and walk to school.</p>
Walking routes and Safe Crossing Points: concerns for the safety of children with the increase in traffic. No safe crossing point at busy junction near to school. For example, junction of Magyar Crescent and Bulkington Lane, Gipsy Lane	14%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team as engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p>
Increase in Traffic and Parking at pick up and drop off: Supporting the proposal but plans need to be made for the increase in traffic	7%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p>
More pupils should be able to attend this school	7%	
Traffic management:	7%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform</p>

		a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.
Additional staff parking: inadequate staff parking will mean more on street parking	7%	The expansion proposal includes additional staff parking requirements for the school
Provide more information	7%	Statutory education consultation on the proposal to increase the school's capacity. If approved detailed build plans are provided as part of the planning submission stage.
Provide the necessary accommodation	7%	Internal and external alterations will be undertaken to ensure school has sufficient and appropriate accommodation to accommodate the increase in pupil numbers
Impact of build on existing pupils	7%	The project team would aim to cause as little disruption to the pupils as possible. The contractor would work with the school and phase the project to ensure the works with the greatest impact can be undertaken when pupils are not in the school.
Reasons neither agree/disagree with Proposal	% of respondents For proposal	WCC response
Pressure on parking: parking will get even worse, inconsiderate parking and need to enforce the no parking areas	44%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p> <p>As part of traffic management around the school, with or without school expansion, an active travel plan is pushed by the school encouraging more families to walk from home or to park further away from the immediate area around the school and walk to school.</p>
Increase in traffic and parking at pick up and drop off: Concerns relating to the increase in traffic, safety concerns this can create for pedestrians and how this will be managed	33%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.

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<p>Walking routes and Safe Crossing Points: routes and crossing points from new developments (e.g along Gipsy Lane)</p>	22%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p>
<p>Is the school site big enough?</p>	22%	<p>The school has previously accommodated four forms of entry. Some additional internal and external alterations would be made as part of increasing to 4FE. There is sufficient external area to operate as 4FE</p>
<p>Will there be the teachers to staff the increase?</p>	22%	<p>The school will undertake a recruitment programme in line with the increase in pupil numbers.</p>
<p>Need for speed restrictions on Gipsy Lane</p>	11%	<p>Further conversations will be had with transport planning regarding future plans for the area in line with planned housing development</p>
<p>Impact of build on existing pupils</p>	11%	<p>The project team would aim to cause as little disruption to the pupils as possible. The contractor would work with the school and phase the project to ensure the works with the greatest impact can be undertaken when pupils are not in the school.</p>

Appendix 1: Proposal to increase capacity at Whitestone Infant School– Overview of Consultation Responses

Reasons Against Proposal	% of respondents against proposal	WCC response
<p>Pressure on parking: linked to the increase in traffic, comments mainly relating to the difficulty in finding anywhere it park around the school particularly on Magyar Crescent. When the area gets too busy it can get dangerous for pedestrians</p>	48%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p> <p>As part of traffic management around the school, with or without school expansion, an active travel plan is pushed by the school encouraging more families to walk from home or to park further away from the immediate area around the school and walk to school.</p>
<p>Increase in Traffic and Parking at pick up and drop off: Increase in traffic as a result of the expansion and the impact this would have on the roads around the school particularly relating to parking, impact on residents and the safety of pedestrians.</p>	36%	<p>WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p>
<p>Safety Concerns: Primarily to pedestrians (parents and children) as a result of the increase in traffic and parking</p>	27%	<p>As part of the statutory planning application, transport assessment and surveys and consultation with Highways/road safety will be undertaken.</p>

Open a new school	20%	New schools will form part of the larger strategic sites. There is no school site safeguarded on a housing development in this area. The demand for places from housing will be circa a form of entry (210 places). It had been recognised that both Whitestone Infant and Chetwynd Junior Schools previously operated at a higher capacity/pupil number than they do currently and therefore the LA are looking to re introduce that capacity rather than establish new provision
No room in school for more pupils	14%	Additional accommodation will be provided to accommodate the increase in pupils. This will include 4 additional classrooms, an increase in toilets, and an increase to the size of the school hall. External space has been assessed as sufficient in accordance with current guidelines.
School will be too big: Comments relating to the school losing its 'community' feel, children with SEND will not be able to cope with more noise and children	7%	The community is growing and the school needs to expand to continue to meet the need for places from the growing community. The needs of pupils with SEND can continue to be managed within a growing school
Additional Parking and traffic management: Concerns and comments that additional parking would be needed to accommodate the additional teaching and support staff, to prevent further overflow onto the surrounding roads. Suggestions for ways to manage traffic – one way system, school street, speed restrictions	7%	The feasibility and planning process will investigate the necessary additional parking requirements for the school which will include additional parking for staff.
Walking routes and Safe Crossing Points: Increased parking can reduce the ability to cross the road	5%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team as engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform

safely. Need to ensure sufficient crossing points along the main roads and safe walking routes from the new development		a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.
Reduction in Green space:	2%	There will be minimal encroachment on to green space. The additional accommodation is not being built on green space
Impact of building works on learning environment: noise, building works and air pollution	2%	The project team would aim to cause as little disruption to the pupils as possible. The contractor would work with the school and phase the project to ensure the works with the greatest impact can be undertaken when pupils are not in the school.
Impact on other school numbers: A school outside the local area with some surplus capacity concerns that this expansion will impact on numbers further	2%	Capacity in neighbouring schools will be needed for families moving into the area outside of coordination
Lower chance of local children obtaining a place at the school	2%	Increasing places will increase the chances of meeting demand
Less support for children with an increase in numbers	2%	The school will undertake recruitment in line with the increase in pupils
Reasons In Agreement with Proposal	% of respondents For proposal	WCC response
School is really good and proposal good for the community	17%	
Pressure on Parking	11%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform

Increase in traffic causes parking issues around the school		<p>a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.</p> <p>As part of traffic management around the school, with or without school expansion, an active travel plan is pushed by the school encouraging more families to walk from home or to park further away from the immediate area around the school and walk to school.</p>
More school places are needed	11%	
No room in school for more children	11%	Additional accommodation will be provided to accommodate the increase in pupils. This will include 4 additional classrooms, an increase in toilets, and an increase to the size of the school hall. External space has been assessed as sufficient in accordance with current guidelines.
Increase in Traffic and Parking at pick up and drop off: Supporting the proposal but plans need to be made for the increase in traffic	6%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.
Walking routes and Safe Crossing Points: concerns for the safety of children with the increase in traffic. No safe crossing point at busy junction near to school	6%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team as engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.
Traffic management: prevention of cars parking illegally	6%	
Additional staff parking: inadequate staff parking will mean more on street parking	6%	The feasibility and planning process will investigate the necessary additional parking requirements for the school which will include additional parking for staff.

More people need to walk to school	6%	As part of traffic management around the school, with or without school expansion, an active travel plan is pushed by the school encouraging more families to walk from home or to park further away from the immediate area around the school and walk to school.
Reasons neither agree/disagree with Proposal	% of respondents For proposal	WCC response
Increase in traffic and parking at pick up and drop off: Concerns relating to the increase in traffic and how this will be managed	50%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.
Pressure on parking: parking will get even worse and need to enforce the no parking areas	33%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process. As part of traffic management around the school, with or without school expansion, an active travel plan is pushed by the school encouraging more families to walk from home or to park further away from the immediate area around the school and walk to school.
Walking routes and Safe Crossing Points: routes and crossing points from new developments	33%	WCC are aware that there is likely to be an impact on the highways infrastructure around the school. As part of the feasibility process, the project team has engaged with Highways and Road Safety through the pre application process to ensure that the required transport surveys and assessments are undertaken to inform a potential planning application. If approved by Cabinet, the impact of the expansion would be considered through the statutory planning process.
Impact of build on existing pupils	17%	The project team would aim to cause as little disruption to the pupils as possible. The contractor would work with the school and phase the project to ensure the works with the greatest impact can be undertaken when pupils are not in the school.
Are the places needed?	17%	Forecasts indicate that the amount of new housing development will require additional school places

Funding: Funding needs to be available	17%	School will be funded on a per pupil basis. Additional financial support is available from the LA if required whilst the school grows
Impact on lunchtime provision	17%	Hall is being increased to allow increase in numbers at during each lunchtime sitting