

**PROPOSED CLOSURE OF: JUPITER DRIVE JMI SCHOOL, JUPITER DRIVE, HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HP2 5NT and BELLGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL, FLETCHER WAY, HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HP2 5QR**

**a) Proposal to discontinue two community schools:**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 29 (1) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 that Hertfordshire County Council intends to discontinue Jupiter Drive JMI School, Jupiter Drive, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 5NT and Bellgate Primary School, Fletcher Way, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 5QR with effect from 31 August 2008.

It is proposed that all pupils currently attending or those children who have been allocated a place at one of the two schools will be given places at the new community school referred to in part b below of this Statutory Notice. Admission may also be sought to other schools that may have places available.

The County Council's existing policies on home to school transport for pupils will continue to be in place.

**b) Proposal to establish a new community school**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 28 (1) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 that Hertfordshire County Council proposes to establish a new community school for 450 boys and girls aged 3 – 11, including a Nursery of 60 part time equivalent places from 1 September 2008.

The new school will be located at the current sites of Bellgate Primary School, Fletcher Way, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 5QR.

The planned admission number of pupils admitted to the main school at age 5 in September 2008 and in subsequent years will be 60.

The admissions authority of the proposed school will be Hertfordshire County Council and it is not proposed to select by ability.

The County Council's existing policies on home to school transport for pupils will continue to be in place.

Within six weeks after the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending the representations to:

John Harris, Director of Children, Schools and Families, Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, c/o Room 134, Pegs Lane, Hertford, SG13 8DF.

Within one month after the end of the representation period, the Authority will send to the School Organisation Committee for Hertfordshire copies of all representations made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the representation period, together with the Authority's observations on them.

John Harris, Director of Children, Schools and Families

7 February 2007

**Explanatory Notes:**

(1) The proposals were the subject of a consultation which ended on 4 December 2006.

(2) The County Council's Cabinet approved on 5 February 2007 the publication of this notice in response to the outcome of this consultation.

(3) If you wish to speak to someone about this proposal, please contact Paul Wray on 01992 555860.