



PROPOSED CLOSURE OF CHAULDEN INFANTS' AND NURSERY SCHOOL AND CHAULDEN JUNIOR SCHOOL & PRESCRIBED ALTERATIONS TO PIXIES HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 that Hertfordshire County Council intends to make the following changes:

Part 1:

In accordance with section 29(1) of the Act that Hertfordshire County Council intends to discontinue Chaulden Infants' and Nursery School, School Row, Chaulden, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP1 2JU and Chaulden Junior School, School Row, Chaulden, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP1 2JU on 31 August 2008.

Parents of all pupils remaining at the schools on the date of closure who will require a primary school place will be offered a place at Pixies Hill Primary School. Parents of children who do not wish to take up the offer of a place at Pixies Hill Primary School may apply to any other school with a place available in the appropriate year group at that time.

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

These proposals are linked with and should be read in conjunction with the Part 2 of this notice.

Part 2:

In accordance with section 28(1) of the Act that Hertfordshire County Council intends to make the following prescribed alterations to Pixies Hill Primary School, Hazeldell Road, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP1 2BY:

- An enlargement of the premises of the school with effect from 01 September 2008.
- An increase of 27 or more to the admission number from 01 September 2008.
- The addition of a nursery class for 30 full time equivalent pupils from 01 September 2008.

The current number of pupils at the school is 192. The current capacity of the school is 210. The current admission number of the school is 30.

The proposed capacity of the school is to be 450. The number of pupils to be admitted to the main school at age 4 from 01 September 2008 and subsequent years will be 60.

The current age range of the school is 4 years to 11 years. The proposed age range will be 3 years to 11 years.

Parents of all pupils at Chaulden Infants' and Nursery School and Chaulden Junior School on the date of closure who will require a primary school place will be offered a place at the proposed new location of Pixies Hill Primary School. Parents of children who do not wish to take up the offer of a place at the school may apply to any other school with a place available in the appropriate year group at that time.

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

These proposals are linked with and should be read in conjunction with the Part 1 of this notice.

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

28 February 2007

Explanatory Notes:

- (1) These 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) Pixies Hill Primary School is currently situated at Hazeldell Road, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP1 2BY. If the proposals are approved, the school is proposed to transfer to the site at Chaulden Infants' and Nursery School and Chaulden Junior School, School Row, Chaulden, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP1 2JU.
- (4) The site of Chaulden Infants' and Nursery School and Chaulden Junior School is within 1.6 Kilometres (1 mile) of the current Pixies Hill Primary School site. It is not reasonably practicable to enlarge the teaching accommodation of Pixies Hill Primary School's current site.
- (5) If the proposal is approved, from 1 September 2008 there will be 60 part time nursery places at Pixies Hill Primary School.
- (6) The two Speech and Language units, currently catering for 10 children respectively, and located at the Chaulden Infants' and Nursery School and Chaulden Junior School will continue without change or interruption. Should the proposals be approved the two units will be administered under the Governance of the Pixies Hill Primary School from 1 September 2008.
- (7) If you wish to speak to someone about this proposal, please contact Paul Wray on 01992 555860.