Statutory Proposal by North Yorkshire County Council for the Lowering of the School Age Range at Stakesby Community Primary School

Full Proposal Document

Name and contact details of the Local Authority or governing body publishing the proposal:
North Yorkshire County Council, County Hall, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, DL7 8AE

Name, address and category of the school proposed for alteration:
Stakesby Community Primary School, Byland Road, Whitby, North Yorkshire, YO21 1HY

Proposed Implementation date:
1st September 2017

Description of alteration and evidence of demand
To lower the age range of Stakesby Community Primary School from 3-11 to 2-11. This would incorporate the provision currently provided for 2 year olds on the Stakesby site by a private provider, to come under the governance of the Stakesby Community Primary School Governing Body. This has been led by the fact that the private provider, The Wooden Horse Nursery, is ceasing operations on the site from the end of the summer term. There are currently children accessing provision from, The Wooden Horse, and the school governors wish to see the continuation of provision on the site.

Objectives educational standards and parental choice
To provide continuity of Early Years provision for parent, pupils and the local community.

To bring the Early Years setting under the governance of the Governing Body of Stakesby Community Primary School in order to continue high standards of Early Years provision.

The 2 year old provision at Stakesby Community Primary School would continue to form part of a choice of places available at schools and also in the Private and Voluntary sector in the local area.
Effect on other schools, academies and educational institutions within the area:
There would be no effect on surrounding schools as the proposal is to change the governance of the existing private provider on the school site rather than to open any new provision.

Local providers of Early Years education were notified as part of the non-statutory pre-consultation and will again have a chance to comment as part of this representation period.

Project Costs:
There are not envisaged to be any project costs involved in the set-up of the 2 year old provision under the governance of Stakesby Community Primary School Governors. The existing buildings inclusive of the building formally let to the private provider will continue to be used to accommodate the Early Years places.

The revenue costs of the 2 year old provision will be met in the same way as they were for the private provider, a combination of means based funding and parental subscription.

Implementation:
Following a formal decision to approve the lowering of age range the leadership and governors of Stakesby Community Primary School will work to have the new arrangements in place for September 1st 2017.

Procedure for making representations (objections and comments)
Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Corporate Director- Children and Young People’s Service, North Yorkshire County Council, County Hall, Northallerton, DL7 8AE by 5pm on 30th June 2016.