



Consultation responses 16.7.16

The total number of responses received was 48.

Responses from education services

NCC Children's Services (Chris Hey)
Aylsham Town Council (Sue Lake)
Diocesan Director of Education (Andy Mash)
Aylsham Learning Federation (Duncan Spalding)
John of Gaunt School (Fiona Chant, Toby de Ville Shaw, Mike Downes)

Responses from local residents

It is important for us to acknowledge the strength of concern about parking and traffic around the school, and the strength of feeling should spur us to try to improve the situation as it stands now. There were 7 responses, 4 in favour.

Responses from PCC members

There were 4 responses, 3 in favour.

Others (NB: many responses were anonymous but we know they were from parents and others attached to the School in some way.

Proposal – infant to primary

Yes	Don't know	No
25	3	5

Many respondents took the trouble to contribute their reasons and a summary is here below.

Reasons and comments in favour

- Gives Aylsham parents choice through the primary phase
- Provides the places Aylsham needs
- In the children's best interests in terms of continuity and support, lasting friendships and support
- Stability and consistency, wonderful family feel
- Would provide healthy competition helping to keep standards high across the schools

Reasons given for 'no' and 'don't know' responses

- Parking and traffic problems
- Worry that children would be treated as guinea pigs
- Not enough space and building is likely to be disruptive
- Children need to experience change and the gap between little and high school is too big
- There is already a good junior school in Aylsham.