

Summary of Alternative Responses submitted during the Consultation

Widnes

The Bankfield and Chesnut Lodge

Support for current proposals from both schools

Fairfield High School

Opposed to proposals to expand Wade Deacon and cease provision on the Fairfield site

3 Alternative Proposals submitted

Option 1

- Federation of 3 schools – Wade Deacon, The Bankfield and Fairfield High – Wade Deacon hub of federation
- KS3 delivered at Fairfield High and The Bankfield
- Schools retain specialism
- KS4 delivered by Wade Deacon
- Development of KS5 provision
- No ringfenced staff posts
- Ashley co-located on Fairfield site – Chesnut Lodge co-located on The Bankfield site

Option 2

- 11-16 provision at Wade Deacon and Fairfield High
- Ashley co-located on Fairfield High site
- Closure of The Bankfield - relocation of Chesnut Lodge and Oakfield Primary plus community facilities on The Bankfield site
- 14-19 provided through Wade Deacon, Fairfield High, Saints Peter and Paul and Riverside College

Option 3

- No ringfencing of Wade Deacon staff

Wade Deacon High School

Support for proposals to create a single 11-16 school for central and east Widnes

Proposals to:

- deliver specialist areas up to 19 working collaboratively with all Widnes schools
- explore Foundation/Trust status
- increase size to 1500
- co-locate Ashley alongside Chesnut Lodge on The Bankfield site
- federate model – Executive Headteacher, Associate Headteacher and one governing body

Saint Peter and Paul

Request to increase Sixth Form Provision to 300

Parent

Proposal to zone Widnes

Runcorn

The Heath Specialist Technology College

Support the principle of expanding The Heath. Proposals to:

- Increase school size to 1350
- Offer post-16 provision
- Federation model – The Heath as Lead, federation broadened to include other schools e.g. Halton High, no joint governance or budgets, ring-fencing of posts across authority

Halton High School

Support for the current proposals

The Grange Comprehensive, Junior, Infant and Nursery

1 Alternative option submitted

- Establish 0-19 through school
- Offer 750 secondary places
- Seek trust status
- Remain on same site
- Provide extended services
- Reduce Academy numbers to 900, the Heath 1050 and 1050 St Chad's Joint Faith based on 3750
- Based on estimates of 4200 – 1050 Academy places, 1050 St Chad's Joint Faith places and 1200 places at The Heath