

The Grange Comprehensive, Juniors, Infant and Nursery

Consultation on the proposal was initially undertaken in June 2008 as part of the proposal to establish a Federation between The Grange Comprehensive, Juniors, Infants and Nursery School. The proposal was agreed and the Federation of all four schools under one governing body commenced in September 2008.

The consultation on the statutory notice commenced on 25th June 2009. Six weeks representation was given to Part 1 and Part 2B of the process and four weeks to Part 2A.

The following people were consulted as part of the consultation:

- The general public of Halton;
- Staff and governors of The Grange Nursery, Infant, Junior and Comprehensive;
- Chair of Governors of all Runcorn Schools;
- Trade Unions;
- Executive Board;
- Other Neighbouring Authorities;
- Diocesan Authorities;
- Health Authority;
- Children's Trust Board;
- PCT staff;
- Other departments within the Council;
- Learning and Skills Council;
- Riverside College;
- Members of Parliament; and others.

Questions arising from the meetings were logged and have been placed on the internet.

The presentation used at the governors, staff and public meetings on 1st and 2nd July is available on request and can be found on the intranet site.

Each of the meetings outlined the objectives of the proposal and the previous consultation arrangements. They provided the opportunity for questions and concerns to be raised.

The response to the consultation is summarised below:

- Twenty responses were received to the Statutory Notice – all in favour of the proposals;
- Letters were sent to all parents and governors detailing the date, time and venue of the consultation meeting. In addition, the public meeting was widely advertised through the local press, and posters were displayed at each of the Grange Schools all other high schools; all Children's Centres, Community Centres, Direct Links and the library, within the Runcorn area;
- A governors meeting was held at the school on 1st July 2009 and the governors supported the proposal;
- A staff meeting and a public consultation meeting was held at The Grange Comprehensive School on 2nd July 2009;

The majority of Staff, and 10 members of the public attended the consultation meetings..

Copies of the letter sent to all those consulted are available, on request along, with a copy of the statutory notice. The consultation information was distributed to all schools, placed at key information points such as Children's Centres, Community Centres, Direct Links and also on the website.