

## **Consultation on the proposal to change the designation of the resourced provision at Morelands Primary School, from September 2023**

Hampshire County Council would like to hear your views on the proposal to change the designation of the resourced provision at Morelands Primary School.

Currently the school has two established resource provisions. The Assessment Resource Provision (ARP) for 10 places with children who have a range of needs where an assessment can give accurate information on a child's needs and SEN provision required. This could be at SEN Support within a mainstream, with an EHCP in a mainstream or EHCP in specialist. From September 2023 it is proposed to alter this provision to 8 places for pupils with Autistic Spectrum Condition.

The second provision on site for pupils with Speech Language and Communication needs will be increased from 14 to 16 pupils. The pupils who attend either provision would be from the local area and on roll at Moreland's Primary School. The school will receive additional resources to support successfully access to the mainstream environment and curriculum, when appropriate.

We are running a consultation from **Monday 16 January to Monday 13 February 2023**.

### ***Why do you need to change the designation of the Resourced Provision at the school?***

Hampshire's County Council SEND Strategy ensures sufficient school places to meet the needs of all children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND); ensuring that the provision is developed in the right place, at the right time, with the additional places to address population growth and the identified increase in demands.

### ***What building works will be taking place?***

The County Council is proposing to refurbish and reconfigure an underutilised area of the school to create a sensory room and therapy space to support this provision. The proposed cost of the works is in the region of £200,000 and will take place in summer 2023.

### ***When will the building works start and how will you ensure the health and safety of pupils attending the school whilst the works are taking place?***

It is planned that the building works to create the facilities at the Morelands Primary School site will be complete for September 2023.

Health and safety of children, staff and visitors is paramount. The County Council works with construction partners who have significant experience of working on school sites. A detailed health and safety plan will be drawn up with the school.

***What will be the impact on pupils at Morelands Primary School?***

The children who will attend the Resourced Provision will be part of a mainstream class and spend some time each day in the Resourced Provision for individual and/or small group support. When the children are in the mainstream classroom, they will receive additional support to ensure that their needs are met. This will give the opportunity for Morelands Primary School to further enhance their inclusion and wellbeing offer to all children.

***What happens after this consultation?***

This consultation will run from Monday 16 January to Monday 13 February 2023. Officers will then consider the consultation responses, received in writing, before deciding whether the proposal should continue to the formal publication stage.

If so, a statutory public notice will be published, setting out the Local Authorities intent to increase the capacity of the school. It is anticipated that this will be published in April 2023.

After the date of publication, there will be a four-week period in which any representations can be made. After the conclusion of this period, the Local Authority will decide whether to proceed with the proposal. It is anticipated that a decision will be made in May/June 2023.

***Will I have the opportunity to discuss the proposal and ask questions?***

A drop-in session where you will be able to discuss the proposal with Hampshire County Council officers will take place on the **Tuesday 31 January 2023 between 3.30 and 6pm at Moreland's Primary School.**

If you are unable to email or visit the above website and wish to make a comment then please write to Claire Campling, Assistant SEN Service Manager, Children's Services Department, E11 Court North, Winchester, Hampshire SO23 8UG by **Monday 13 February 2023.**

***How can my views be heard?***

We will consider all responses received via e-mail or letter.

**The closing date for responses is the Monday 13 February 2023.**