



## Increase the capacity and change the designation of Samuel Cody Specialist Sports College, Farnborough

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### Description of current service/policy

Samuel Cody Specialist Sports College is currently a 205 place special school for 4-16 year old pupils with Moderate Learning Disabilities (MLD) and Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

Geographical impact: Rushmoor

### Description of proposed change

The County Council is proposing to increase the capacity of the school by adding a new unit catering for 90 pupils aged 10-16 years with social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) needs. This will, if approved, give a final overall capacity of 295 places at Samuel Cody Specialist Sports College and its designation as a special school catering for pupils with MLD, ASD & SEMH needs. The new unit is planned to open in phases from September 2022.

### Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

### Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

Formal consultation took place between 13 November and 24 December 2020. A letter was sent to consultees. The proposal was also included on the County Council's consultation website.

Letters were sent to;

Parents of children at the school (via the school)

Local residents

Headteacher

Chair of Governors

School staff

Headteachers, Chairs of Governors at all schools within 2 miles.

Local Councillors at Rushmoor Borough Council

Local dioceses

Staff union representatives

MP – Leo Docherty MP

HCC Elected member – Cllr Roz Chadd

Ten responses were received during the consultation period. Eight of these were in support of the proposal. Two responses highlighted local traffic concerns

<b>Statutory considerations</b>	<b>Impact</b>	<b>Mitigation</b>
<b>Age:</b> Neutral		
<b>Disability:</b> Positive	Allows more pupils with a disability to attend.	
<b>Sexual orientation:</b> Neutral		
<b>Race:</b> Neutral		
<b>Religion and belief:</b> Neutral		

<b>Gender reassignment:</b> Neutral		
<b>Gender:</b> Neutral		
<b>Marriage and civil partnership:</b> Neutral		
<b>Pregnancy and maternity:</b> Neutral		
<b>Other policy considerations</b>	<b>Impact</b>	<b>Mitigation</b>
<b>Poverty:</b> Neutral		
<b>Rurality:</b> Neutral		

**Neutrality statement (if all considerations have a neutral impact)**

**Any other information**