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Introduction

This paper outlines a proposal to lower the age range of Hurst Green Infant School and Nursery, in Tandridge from 3 to 7 years to 2 to 7 years. The process and timescales are outlined below for the change of age range.

Surrey County Council published an informal consultation from 19 June 2023 to 17 July 2023.

Statutory notices are due to be published in September 2023. Analysis of the responses during the statutory notices will be added to this paper and will be submitted to the Lead Cabinet Member for All Age Learning as part of the Lead Cabinet Member report, for consideration in the decision to determine the statutory notices on 31 October 2023.

Consultation Summary

The aim of the consultation was to seek views on the proposal from all interested parties, particularly from pupils and their families who attend Hurst Green Infant School and Nursery, pupils and their families who may attend the schools in the future, and the views of the local community.

The informal consultation was open from 19 June 2023 to 17 July 2023. The associated documentation was published on the Surrey County Council 'Surrey Says' website and circulated to local stakeholders. Interested parties were invited to return responses to the consultation via an online form or alternatively email or post responses.

An online public meeting was offered on 28 June 2023 at 4pm using Microsoft Teams. There were no participants on the day, therefore the online presentation did not take place. No enquiries were made to request another date/time.

An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) is in progress and has been informed by responses to the informal consultation period. The Equality Impact Assessment will continue throughout the statutory notice period and will be submitted with papers at the Cabinet Member for Education and Learning Meeting.

Key points from the consultation responses:

- 1 person responded to the consultation.
- The only respondent agreed with the proposal to lower the age range.
- No comments were left in response to the consultation.

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Quantitative Analysis

In total, there was 1 response to the consultation and the respondent agreed with the proposal.

The chart below shows the category the respondent selected to show their relationship to the school..



Qualitative Analysis

No comments were left in response to the consultation.

Public Meetings

An online public meeting was offered on 28 June 2023 at 4pm using Microsoft Teams. There were no participants on the day, therefore the online presentation did not take place. No enquiries were made to request another date/time.

Recommendations: what happens next?

The recommendation is that the consultation should proceed to the publication of statutory notices, which will be published on <u>Surrey Says</u> and in local newspaper publications.