

APPENDIX D

Q1) Do you support or oppose the proposals for St John's CE (VC) Infant School CE(VC) Infant School to reduce its PAN from 60 to 30 and to increase its upper age range from 4-7 to 4-11 years old.

| Response from Parent at St John's CE (VC) Infant School | |
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| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Better not to have to change schools for juniors and prefer St John's CE (VC) Infant School to Westmoor Primary School• It's good that children attend the same school from 4 to 11.• Children changing schools at age 7 could disrupt anything they have achieved so far.• I would like my child to continue at this school• So, it is better for child to stay in one school and more teacher ratio.• I value St John's as a school and their teaching and values• A through school is beneficial in the children's leaning and development. They form a good relationship with the teachers and staff which makes them feel safe and valued. The school has good values promoting a good education.• I would like my child to continue at this school. The teachers know my child well and I think this will help my child to continue to thrive.• My child found it very stressful moving from nursery to infant school, so this would cut out the move to junior school. My child enjoys this school as every teacher knows every student. I find at Westmoor Primary School, with it being a bigger school, this is not the case.• My Child will be settled at this school for longer. I think moving schools is upsetting and scary for children. * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder)• Moving school after 3 years is unsettling for the child and can disrupt their education.• Happy with the school• Children can stay in school longer and not uproot * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder)• X really enjoys this school. From the clubs available and also the teachers. It will also be a continual which I feel would benefit in her development to continue her learning.• My child has really settled into St John's and I feel it would only benefit him further to remain until year 6. Having stability for my child is my main concern.• I've been to many school settings. I've not quite seen the settings at St John's. I would've loved it if it was unto 11, he would have achieved so much within this friendly environment.• Transition would be a lot easier to KS2 rather than having to change school and start afresh. My child would be a lot more settled and happier with the same friends and environment.• We love this school and really hope that he can stay until year6 |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My child is settled at school and really enjoys coming to school. St John's is an amazing school with great potential, staff are amazing • It would keep children in the same environment for longer which would benefit their overall learning. Also, siblings being split up after year 2 would cause less issues with uniform and different pick up/drop off times • I think it would be good for my child and other children to stay till there're 11 so they don't have to change, and it will upset their learning. • Would be easier for child and parent if all primary education was at the same place • Collecting children will be a lot easier, instead of going up and down the hills or different schools • It will be better for the students to stay in the same environment, also agree with it having smaller classes. • I selected this school St John's for my daughter because I felt it was the best school in the area, although I know at that point it would mean selecting a separate junior school. I would be delighted if my daughter can remain at St John's for the remainder of primary school. • St John's is amazing school, teachers are really good and its perfect for my children as they are happy and settled. • My son was disappointed when he finished year 3 and had to move school. he loved this school and I'm hoping that my daughter would benefit the change. * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder) • So, my child doesn't have to move school • Because my child could just stay here instead of moving schools. • I really like the school and would prefer my child to continue their learning journey with St John's • less disruptive for the child's education and learning easier for teacher to know which child needs the support. • I feel the school has all the qualified and capabilities to successfully increase its upper age range. • We really like the current St John's CE (VC) school arrangements. All the staff have been excellent and are very supportive and have helped our child come on leap and bound. X really enjoys school also would like to stay there as long as possible. |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If they have the space and the facilities it should be good and convenient for parents • As my child already, studies at St John's in year 2 would like them like them to stay up to year 6 • It's good for the kids if they stay in St John's more than 2 years. For support this is the only reason that I'm happy about • St John's in a good school and I would like my child to carry on at this school until the age of 11 |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How would this impact brother/sister be entering into reception if PAN is reduced to 30? Would they get priority if brother /sister is in the school already? • This is a fantastic school with a lovely learning environment, my daughter has settled really well here and the schools support system, staff are fantastic • Smaller Class size |
| Neither Support nor Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because I have children at Westmoor Primary School already and moving across after two years for my son would mean all my children will be on one setting* (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder) • I would be happy to know that my daughter would have a chance in getting into the primary school • Pros and cons to both • Whichever the case may be the school has upgraded and can take care of the capacity they already have because have seen improvement in my child |
| Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It might be difficult for children in the area if school only accepts 30 |
| Response from Staff at St John's CE (VC) Infant School | |
| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I think it is of the best interest of the children and community to provide education at infant and junior level. The ethos of St John's CE (VC) Infant School is second to none and would be of huge benefit to children throughout their primary phase. It will allow parents the opportunity to send their children to St Johns without having to apply for different schools at the end of KS1. It will enable the school to provide an effective education to pupils without the need for a change point at age 7. This will reduce stress for children and parents, and ensure children have the best opportunity for success. If St John's is unable to increase the age range to 4-11 it is likely that over time the school will no longer be viable as they will continue to lose pupils to those schools that can provide the full primary experience. The school has had many comments in the past from parents who say they wish their child could stay until age 11 as they value the ethos and values of the school. As St John's is a church school, the potential future closure would leave the area without a Church of England school, thus reducing parental choice. After working at this school for 13 years it is clear that the majority of parents want us to become a through school. The only reason parents have given for not sending their child here is due to us not being a through school. Children are leaving mid-year because we aren't a through school meaning children are having a bumpy ride in their critical first years of education. What will happen to the future of our school if this doesn't happen and numbers drop? Numbers are falling which is jeopardising our budget and after working here for 12 years lots of parents always say they wish we were a junior school. Children aren't settled, and it can cause disruption transitioning. I feel concerned about the future of our school if this doesn't change. After working at St John's for several years I |

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| | <p>have encountered numerous families who have said if only you were a junior school, we don't want to leave St John's, we feel like a family it's an ideal opportunity to give our families what they need</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financially the school needs to extend provision to KS2 so that numbers do not continue to decrease due to parents removing a transition point for the children. However, this is what our parents are wanting too - they want the option of having the child attend a small primary school all the way through to Year 6 rather than moving to a large primary school. Parents in the area should have this option of a small faith based primary or a large non-faith school. • For many years parents have said they wished our school was a through school enabling their children to stay at St John's # This response came in after the closing date |
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Response from Governor at St John's CE (VC) Infant School

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| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The opportunity to improve the educational standards attained by children through better and more flexible management of learning, without a change of school at age 7. Stable, longer-term relationships with pupils and families. St John's is often one of the few (if not the only) consistent provider of holistic care to children and families in this area. The caring nature of St John's as well as its educational strengths have been cited as the main reason for parents choosing this school for their children over many years and this has not changed. The vast majority of parents who have chosen St John's would have wanted their children to stay there into their junior school years. The school has lost children (as was widely predicted by all) to Westmoor Primary School in the past couple of years purely because parents will always choose to have 1 drop off point for their children as opposed to 2 different schools. This was immediately brought about when the infant classes were moved from Knowles Hill site. At that point many parents were upset they were still unable to keep their children at St John's and were just basically being forced into going to Westmoor Primary School. |
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Response from Parent at Westmoor Primary School

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| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My child will be settled at this school for longer. I think moving schools is upsetting and scary for children. * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder) • Children can stay in school longer and not uproot * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder) • My son was disappointed when he finished year 3 and had to move school. He loved this school and I'm hoping that my daughter would benefit the change. * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder) |
| Neither Support nor Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because I have children at Westmoor Primary School already and moving across after two years for my son would mean all my children will be on one setting. * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder) |

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| Don't Know | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does this mean for my kids in year 4 don't understand? |
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| Response from Parent not stated school | |
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| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If they have the space and the facilities it should be good and convenient for parents |
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| Response from the Governing Body of Boothroyd Primary Academy | |
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We, the Governing Body of Boothroyd Primary Academy, strongly object to the proposals to introduce a Key Stage 2 provision into St. John's CE Infant School for the following reasons:

1. Over the past 6 years we have expanded from 2 to 3 form entry at the request of the local authority to meet the needs of rising pupil numbers in our local area. For the past 3 years we have had excess places in our Reception, Year 1 and now Year 2 classes when the extra places were not actually needed.
2. Historically around 10 pupils per year come to Boothroyd at the end of Key Stage 1 as the catchment areas are very similar
3. We are currently in a position where we are having to reduce from 3 form entry to 2.5 form entry due to low pupil numbers and this clearly has resulted in mixed classes being a necessity.
4. If this trend continues there will be implications for staffing and possible redundancies.
5. The current mismatch of 15 places between Westmoor Primary School and St.John's is covered by the excess places we have in reception- we currently have a 2 form entry nursery going into a 3 form entry reception, at the request of Kirklees as mentioned in 1.

We feel there are sufficient places currently within the catchment area and we have excess places which will increase if this goes ahead.

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| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I believe that continuity throughout the school will be best for the children and that parents would be more likely to select the school if it was ages 4-11. Parents also struggle with picking up from both schools. • I agree with both Q1 and Q2 as I strongly believe better outcomes are achieved for children at the through school • Less disruptive for the children and less transition points being able to remain with teachers and other pupils with whom they are familiar and comfortable with |
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| Response from local resident | |
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| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would be better for the pupils to have the option to stay at the same school for longer. |
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Q2) Westmoor Primary School Primary School to increase its KS1 PAN from 45 to 60?

| Response from Parent at St John's CE (VC) Infant School | |
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| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My child will be moving here in September 2020 and hoping for them to get a place here, so it would be great if they have enough space for all the kids. • It would help both schools • It helps St John's • Allows the development of St John's and allows both schools to give the best education for the primary aged children • This allows both schools to provide better education • This would give parents more options when choosing a school for their children. If this also means St John's can extended their ages, then this is only a positive. • Children will need to go to another local school • It would be great as children in the area will get into local school. My child was rejected at Westmoor Primary School as there were not enough places. • There are not many good schools in this area, so it would be good to have more places for children at Westmoor Primary School. • This would be needed to keep a balance between the two schools and Westmoor Primary School is also another great school. So, it would be ideal to have a similar balance between the two schools |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Its good • If the school feels like they can support this and do a good job at it, as parents we should support them • As St John's School is reducing its PAN from 60 to 30 it makes senses to increase it at Westmoor Primary School. • I think the continuation is good for the child and some children do not like change and this would avoid that. • I would support Westmoor Primary School with this intake • I would like the proposal to go ahead • More of a choice for all children to get to KS1 without having to more to a different school. • This will open spaces for children otherwise that may have wanted a space at St John's infant school |
| Neither Support nor Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I suppose it has to increase if less places at St. John's • With new development the school may need to open more places for extra students • I've not really had a chance to consider the proposal as of yet. I would like to think about it. The only concern would be would the ethos and the environment be as high standards as St John's • Not sure but however increase the numbers of children might be too much to handle to support the children well enough • Not affecting me directly • Either it's increased or stay left at the infants, the increase will have beneficial effect for others that wants to get their kids to school close to home. |

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| Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I oppose because there are a lot of problems due to traffic in Church Lane in the morning and afternoon. By increasing to 60 children in KS1, this will increase car traffic more and cause more problems also it is difficult to cross the roads because of parked cars. • I also have a child at Westmoor Primary School I feel Westmoor Primary School is poor compared to St John's because of how big the school is. I feel it would be better with smaller PAN not larger * (identified themselves as more than one stakeholder) • Unless there are sufficient resources allocated to deal with the increase then just more pressure is being applied to existing staff • Some children might suffer as the teacher/ student ratio might become more struggle for teachers to focus on the other children. |
| Don't Know | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't know |
| Response from Staff at St John's CE (VC) Infant school | |
| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • So that St John's CE (VC) Infant School are able to become a KS2 provider • It will compensate for the decrease in places at St John's • I support the increase of Westmoor Primary School KS1 PAN if this is to happen in conjunction with the changes for St John's. This would ensure that there are sufficient school places in the local area for those living in the community • To support St John's in their proposed changes. • This is needed in order for St John's to make the conversion. • An Increase at Westmoor Primary school will give more families the option of applying and being given a place at the School compensating the reduction of places at St John's # This response came in after the closing date |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If St Johns reduces its intake, there would be more children looking for spaces locally in the catchment area • In order to ensure there are enough KS1 spaces in the area. |
| Response from governor at St John's CE (VC) Infant School | |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will have to increase if St Johns is decreasing. |

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| Response from parent at Westmoor Primary School | |
| Don't know | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Answers |
| Response from parent not stated school | |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the school feels like they can support this and do a good job at it, as parents we should support them |
| Response from other | |
| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I believe that this will create vital school places in the area. • My grandchild son attends nursery school at a Westmoor Primary School and were hoping to get him into an infant and junior school, but he was not successful. As he had support there it was felt he would benefit from |

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| | continuity in the same school. Although his move to St John's has proven successful and he has improved tremendously. |
| Response from other | |
| Neither Support nor Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unsure if this will make a significant difference to the school or not. |

Q3) If the other proposals are approved, do you support the current priority admission areas (PAAs) remaining unchanged?

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| Response from parents at St John's CE (VC) Infant School | |
| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catchment has to be considered • This has taken into account the residential areas and ease of travel for the children • Both of my children are at this school, so I am happy • There appears to be no benefit from changing the PAA • I feel there is a good balance and split between the two schools as it currently stands. |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, its fine • The catchment area has to be taken into consideration • I believe it covers a wide enough area • Yes, I still support the school whatever happens |
| Neither Support nor Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seems ok as is • The head of the schools and the principle officers know what is best and their decision is imperative because they know better and what is obtainable and best for their pupils. |
| Strongly Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase places will cater for PAA but if have children attending already whom are outside the PAA they will want sibling to attend the same school as well. |
| Don't Know | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unsure |
| Response from staff at St John's CE (VC) Infant School | |
| Strongly Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Together St John's CE (VC) Infant School & Westmoor Primary School serve the community boundaries well • There is no need for change to the PAA as the families of St John's and Westmoor Primary School that come from outside the PAA are very few and far between |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I consider the conversion of St John's my main priority • Would siblings get priority? • I agree with admissions areas however would want to ensure siblings have a high priority |
| Neither Support nor Oppose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I cannot see any reason to change the priority admission areas |
| Don't Know | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I don't know anything about current priority admission area # This response came in after the closing date |

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| Response from Governor at St John's CE (VC) Infant School | |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please support this proposal. It's a shame the process is so long and can't happen from September 2020. |
| Response from parent at Westmoor Primary School | |
| Don't Know | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Answers |
| Response from parent not stated School | |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, Westmoor Primary School and St John's are my first choice for my child |
| Response from other | |
| Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I think the current system is fair • Appears to work well at moment. |
| Response from Local resident | |
| Don't Know | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't know what this will mean for intakes. |