

The Primary Strategy for Change

Consultation summary - August 2008

The DCSF required Authorities to consult widely on the development of their Primary Strategy for Change. The draft document was sent with consultation questionnaire to the following:

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This initial consultation document was sent out prior to the submission of the Primary Strategy for Change to the DCSF and generated a small number of written responses from schools and early year's partners.

Comments were wholly supportive with a small number of points raised requiring clarification:

- The implications for separate Infant and Junior Schools
- City population projections
- The tension between removal of surplus places and the expansion of popular schools
- Clarity on potential financial expectation for the programme
- Concern for schools not directly benefiting from the Primary Strategy for Change funding

To answer these points and to further discuss the potential for our future development within the City meetings were held with Primary, Secondary and Special school headteachers and a further meeting with headteachers of separate Infant and Junior schools. A number of informal meetings were also held with individuals and cluster groups.

A drop in session was held on 1st July 2008 to which all head teachers were invited. This session was designed to give all head teachers the opportunity to raise any questions they had on the Primary Strategy for Change.

The consultation process is continuing with parents, school councils and diocesan authorities.

The representative steering group will further consult with relevant parties as plans for the development of individual schemes as part of the comprehensive citywide strategy come forward.