

School Organisation Committee

Agenda Item 6

Title: Statutory Notice - Bourton Meadow School,

Buckingham

Change of Age Range

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Electoral Divisions Affected:

Recommendation

The School Organisation Committee is asked to consider the proposals and to agree whether or not to determine the Statutory Notice.

Support Information

- To bring to the Committee, statutory proposals in relation to the change of age range and admission of three year olds to the existing foundation stage class at Bourton Meadow School. These proposals have been consulted upon and the statutory objection period is now finished. Proposals relating to the change of age range were published on 7 May 2004 (by the school Governing Body) through the publication of a Statutory Notice along with relevant supporting information and the proposal, if approved, is due to take effect from 1 September 2004. A copy of the Statutory Notice and the prescribed information is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.
- The formal objection period closed on 21 June 2004. Six objections to the proposals were received prior to the end of the objection period. The objection letters together with the school's response are attached as Appendix 2 to this report. As the proposals are from governors they must be determined by the Committee.
- The published proposals conform with the requirements of Section 28(2)(b) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (as amended by Section 73 Education Act 2002) and the Education (School Organisation Proposals) (England) Regulations 1999 (as amended by the Education (School Organisation Proposals) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2003).

Resources Appraisal

4 There are no immediate resource implications arising directly from this report.

Background Paper

See attached:

Appendix 1 – Statutory Notice and Prescribed Information

Appendix 2 – Objection letters received prior to the end of the objection period together with the school's responses.

Appendix 3 – Copy correspondence between the school and the Head of Early Years Development and Child Care.

Appendix 4 – See DfES Guidance for Decision Makers and Factors to be considered for proposals to open nursery schools or add nursery classes (Appendix 2 of Twyford CE School report)

Your questions and views

If you have any questions about the matters contained in this paper please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose telephone number is given at the head of the paper.

If you have any views on this paper which you would like to Committee to consider please inform the Secretary to the School Organisation Committee. This can be done by telephone (01296 383636 or 383602) or e-mail to repopat@buckscc.gov.uk or jicallaghan@buckscc.gov.uk.