**Brownsover Community School Change of Age Range**

**Consultation FAQs**

**Q.** Why is this consultation taking place?

**A**. Warwickshire County Council (WCC) is working with the school governors to review how early education funded places are provided at Brownsover Community School. This consultation is part of a statutory process for making prescribed alterations to schools, including changing the age range of a community school by 1 year or more.

**Q.** Who decides whether the change goes ahead?

**A.** Following the period of consultation, the County Council’s Cabinet will review the feedback and make a decision on whether or not to go ahead with the changes.

**Q.** Where does the funding for the change come from?

**A.** There are no financial implications associated with these changes.

**Q.** What will be the effect on other educational establishments in the area?

**A.** There is not anticipated to be a significant impact on other local educational establishments in the area due to no increase in places from those that are currently offered and to the need to provide additional places to meet the requirements of working parents.

**Q.** What happens if the County Council’s Cabinet does not approve the proposed changes?

**A.** If the decision is not approved, the school will continue to operate a nursery class for 3-4 year olds but the places will not be amalgamated with the school-run Pre-School for 2-4 year olds.

**Q.** When will the changes be carried out?

**A.** A decision will be made so that any changes can be completed ready for September 2023.

**Q.** Will there be any changes to the way the nursery is managed?

**A.** There will be no material change to the school’s operation as a result of the age range change – both school and nursery will continue to be governed by the same board and led by the same head teacher.

**Q.** Will there be any changes to the school’s admission arrangements as a result of the change in age range?

**A.** The school’s existing admission arrangements will remain the same.

Q. Will the proposed change impact the recent consultation for the school to move from an infant to a primary school?

A. If approved, there will be no change to the school’s conversion from infant to primary school. The school will become a 4-7 infant school from September 2023 and then transition to a 4-11 primary school from September 2026.