



CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH RESOURCED PROVISION AT RACE LEYS INFANT SCHOOL

Introduction

This consultation is being undertaken to advise you of proposals concerning Race Leys Infant School and to invite you to tell us what you think of the proposals. This is part of a statutory consultation process that Warwickshire County Council is managing in partnership with the Governing Body. The proposal is:

- To establish an 8-place Resourced Provision at Race Leys Infant School for children with communication and interaction (C&I) needs

Background

In order to meet forecast demand and build on the local offer of specialist provision the local authority is continuing the development of resourced provision across the county whereby pupils, who are cognitively able to access a mainstream curriculum, can have their needs met and benefit from being located within a mainstream school environment. The main growth and investment continues to be focused on developing resourced provision for pupils with communication and interaction (C&I) needs and social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) difficulties. The demand for this type of provision is expected to continue to rise.

As of September 2025, Warwickshire has 40 resourced provisions (34 primary and six secondary), with five in North Warwickshire, ten in Nuneaton and Bedworth, eight in Rugby, ten in the Warwick area, and seven in the Stratford on Avon area.

The Proposal

Why are the governors and Warwickshire County Council proposing this?

Warwickshire County Council have identified a need to expand resourced provision across the county, that offers a bridge between mainstream and specialist provision. These are based in local schools and support children who are not coping with mainstream classes.

The resourced provision at Race Leys Infant School will support pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) whose primary needs are Communication & Interaction. These pupils will benefit from accessing education at a mainstream infant school through a flexible approach, tailored to meet their needs.

What impact will this provision have on the education of the children currently at the school?

The learning and lessons of children attending the school will not be affected.



Additional staff who are skilled and trained practitioners in supporting children with communication and interaction needs will be employed.

Pupils and staff from the main school would also benefit from the additional SEND expertise which will contribute to the whole school SEND strategy.

How will the resourced provision be accommodated in the school?

The proposal is to refurbish an existing classroom space and nurture room to accommodate the resourced provision.

The remodelled building will allow for the resourced provision to be located within the main school site whilst being a safe and secure learning space for this cohort of learners.

How will the resourced provision work?

The proposed resourced provision would cater for primary aged pupils who have significant additional needs requiring specialist support, but who have the cognitive ability to benefit from a mainstream curriculum.

The intention is that children would initially be supported full-time in the base before accessing increasing amounts of time in the main school classes. At the end of year 2, it is hoped that many will progress into mainstream school places though some pupils may move on to further resourced provision at another local school in the area or specialist provision.

Admission and Pupil Numbers

The resourced provision will be an 8-place provision.

Admissions to the resourced provision follow a different procedure from that operating for the rest of the school. Admissions will be authorised via the Warwickshire County Council High Needs Provision Panel.

The establishment of the resourced provision will not impact on the school's current total mainstream capacity of 180 across Reception to Year 2.

What is the proposed timetable?

- **12 September 2025:** The County Council's Portfolio Holder for Education & Learning gave approval for the proposal to go out for consultation



- **29 September - 28 November 2025:** Consultation with parents and other interested stakeholders to take into account the views expressed regarding the proposals.
- **11 December 2025:** Proposal will be considered at Cabinet

If Cabinet agree to the proposals, the decision will be implemented for September 2026.

Have Your Say...

As an integral part of this process, we are inviting you to take part in this consultation. We welcome your views on the proposed changes raised and all viewpoints will be taken into account as part of the decision-making process.

Feedback can be given in the following ways:

- Online: by completing the consultation survey <https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/>
- By Email: schoolorganisation@warwickshire.gov.uk
- In writing: Education Sufficiency, Warwickshire County Council, Shire Hall, Warwick, CV34 4RL.

You can request a paper copy of the survey by telephone (01926 745101) or email (schoolorganisation@warwickshire.gov.uk) and return it to the postal address above. You can also request an alternative format this way.
Deadline for comments is **28 November 2025**.

Following the end of the consultation we shall publish the results and this may include quotes of comments which will be anonymous. If you reply to an anonymous survey then no personal details will be captured. If you would like further information, visit our website: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/privacy or contact our Customer Service Centre on 01926 410410