



17 March 2020

Dear Parents and staff,

The Governing Bodies of Redlands Primary School and Smithy Street Primary School met on the 11th March 2020 and, carefully considered the two responses and the comments received as part of the formal consultation, alongside the conclusions drawn by the Council.

Governors were pleased to note that there had been so few responses to the consultation, which indicated that the vast majority of stakeholders from both schools were in favour of the proposals, which it was felt was due to the proactive and transparent way the schools had engaged with those stakeholders throughout the process.

Governors agreed with the Council's view that there were no feasible alternatives uncovered during the consultation that resolved the issue of falling pupil rolls, which both schools faced. Both Governing bodies agreed that the proposals would provide a financially sustainable future for the combined school and the best educational outcomes for the pupils from both Redlands and Smithy Street Primary schools.

Yours sincerely

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Anna Gouge

Redlands Chair of Governors

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Ros Coffey

Smithy Street Chair of Governor

