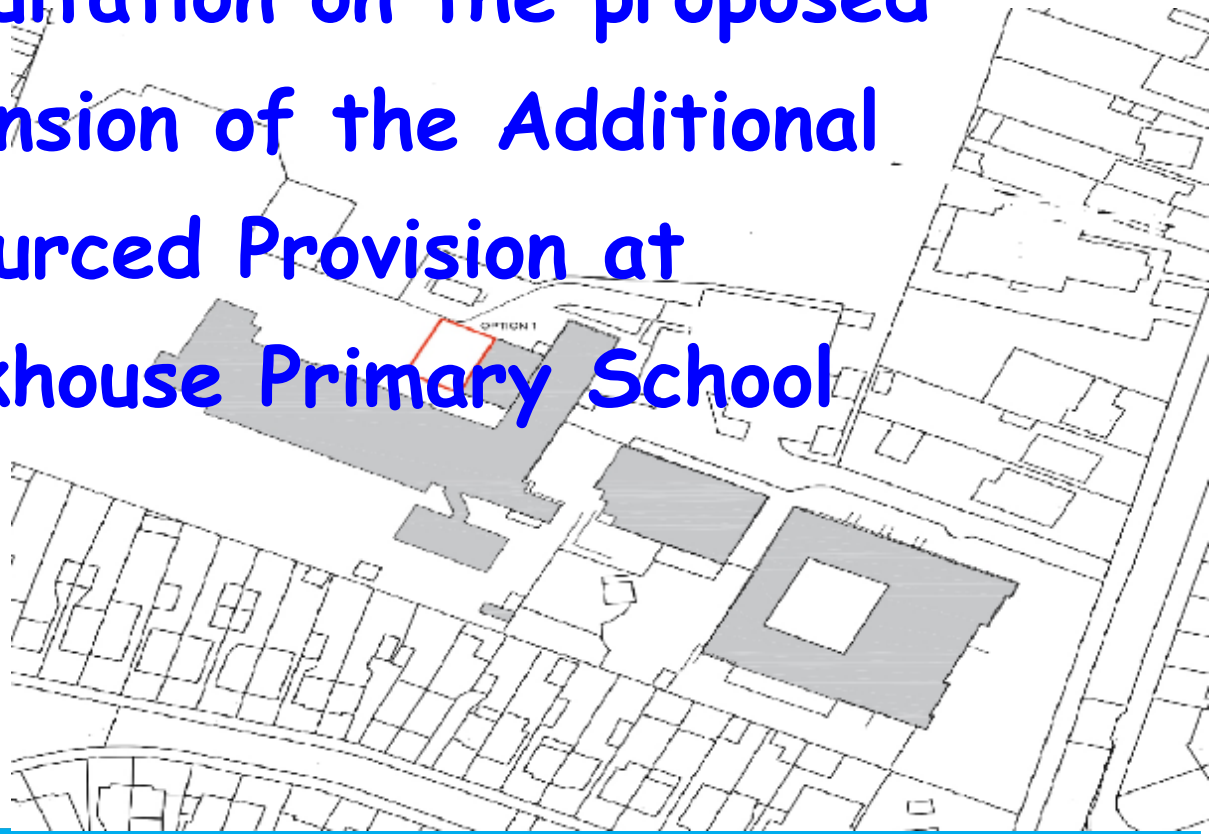


**Consultation on the proposed
expansion of the Additional
Resourced Provision at
Clockhouse Primary School**



CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSAL TO EXPAND THE ADDITIONAL RESOURCED PROVISION TO CATER FOR PUPILS WITH COMMUNICATION AND INTERACTION NEEDS (Autistic Spectrum Disorder and Speech, Language & Communication Needs) AT CLOCKHOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Introduction

The London Borough of Havering's vision is for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), and other additional needs, to enjoy their education in the most inclusive environment possible and be supported in participating as fully as they can in the lives of their schools and local community, throughout childhood and into adulthood.

The Council's High Needs Strategy 2017-22, set out ambitious and realistic objectives to ensure Havering's provision is the first choice for children and young people with high needs and their families. It provides details of our local offer and the changes that will be implemented to ensure that the needs of children and young people with SEND are met.

The Strategy also recognises that children with Social, Emotional and Mental Health difficulties (SEMH), alongside those with Autistic Spectrum Disorders (ASD) are increasing in numbers and will require specialist intervention supported in a specialist resourced provision.

Background

One of the key changes proposed in the Council's High Needs Strategy is the delivery of an ongoing programme to create more Additional Resourced Provisions (ARPs) in mainstream settings. Taking this forward, in September 2016 a 12 place additional resource provision was established at Clockhouse primary school.

This Clockhouse ARP has helped address the gap in provision for pupils with ASD whilst also building parental confidence in the system. However, our SEND projections shows that that the number of primary school pupils with an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) of communication and interaction needs will increase from 308 in 2019/20 to 433 in 2022/23, with the majority of this increase expected to be pupils with ASD.

This document outlines the proposal to further expand the Clockhouse ARP to help meet the growing demand of pupils with SEND, specifically Communication and Interaction Needs which includes Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and Speech, Language & Communication Needs (SLCN).

The Proposal

Havering Council is proposing to expand the existing specialist provision at Clockhouse Primary School from 12 to 20 places.

This will enable the ARP to continue meeting the needs of pupils with an EHCP of Communication and Interaction Needs, whose needs are not severe enough to require a place at a special school but who will require spending a significant proportion of their time in the ARP.

The expansion will be implemented in summer term 2022, if approved.

Clockhouse Primary School is a 3FE primary school with 720 places (Including nursery places) for children aged 3-11 years. It was rated by Ofsted as a good school during their last inspection in January 2020. The inspection report acknowledged that the SEND provision is a strength of the school and individual support is provided in a tailored way to cater for pupils with complex needs to help them learn.

The Local authority considers that the expansion of the ARP at Clockhouse primary will allow for this wide range of outstanding support for pupils with SEND already being delivered at the school to continue as this will further enhance the education offer the school provides to the community.

Building works for the proposed expansion will comprise three large spaces for teaching (two of these will be designated classrooms and one a multipurpose room). The unit will also include a soft play area and an immersion room that will give pupils an engaging and expansive learning experience in a special learning space that brings multi-sensory environment into the classroom.

The build extension will also include quiet rooms which will be accessed from classrooms, a small group room, storage area and toilet facilities.

The expanded ARP will have an external play area with a canopy over the external space and accessed from the classroom.

Admission and Pupil Numbers

Admissions to the ARP follow a different procedure from that operating for the rest of the school. Admissions into the ARP will be through the Havering SEN panel process. This will not impact on pupils who are in the mainstream setting at the school

The Agreed Place Number (APN) for the ARP will be 20. This APN does not usually count against the school's admission numbers as all ARPs in Havering are separately and additionally funded, although their individual modes and styles of operation may be different. Therefore, the APN does not affect the school's Published Admission Number (PAN) as set by the Local Authority.

Funding

ARPs in Havering will be normally funded in accordance with a Place Led Funding approach that complies with the Government's SEN Funding Reforms which came into effect in April 2018.

For each place in the ARP Clockhouse Primary school receives £16,667. This is made up of £10,000 'place funding' and £6,667 (2020/21 rate) 'top-up funding'. The additional eight places would result in a total increase in funding for the school of £133,336 (2020/21 rates).

What Happens next?

This is an opportunity to express your views and comment on the proposal to expand the Additional Resourced Provision (ARP) at Clockhouse during the period of consultation.

The consultation period starts on **Monday 2 November 2020** and will close on **Monday 30 November 2020**.

A separate planning consultation will take place to consider the design and building details for the expansion works

All responses will be considered after the consultation ends on 30 November 2020. Subject to the outcome of the consultation, the Council intends to make a final decision on the proposal by **December 2020** for implementation from April 2022

Consultation Timeline

Key milestones	Date
Consultation period	2 November – 30 November 2020
Decision on proposal by the Local Authority	December 2020
Implementation	From April 2022

Have Your Say

You can state whether you support the expansion proposal or not by completing the consultation questionnaire which can be accessed via the link below:

<https://consultation.havering.gov.uk/education/clockhouse-arp-expansion>

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