Questions and comments from stakeholders about the proposal to form a governance federation of Burley and Sopley Primary Schools

Questions and comments from stakeholders from both schools can be found on both school websites http://www.sopleyprimaryschool.org/new-ways-of-working/

Thank you to all the stakeholders who have submitted questions and comments. We will add to this list throughout the consultation process. Both governing bodies will consider all submissions at a joint governing body meeting on 25.4.16 at the end of the consultation process.

| Date | Question/comments from stakeholders at Sopley and Burley Schools | Submitted by |
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| 10.2.16 | How will having an Executive Headteacher and two Heads of School save money? | Parent |
| 10.2.16 | Will it be confusing for parents and pupils to know which teachers and staff will be in which school and when? | Parent |
| 10.2.16 | Thank you for advising us of your plans regarding the potential federation of Sopley and Burley Schools. We have no strong views on the federation of the two schools. It seems to me personally that you are undertaking the process in a very transparent, thorough and well considered manner and I have every confidence for the benefit of all pupils and the community given the case seems well assembled. We wish both schools well for the future. Nigel Pressnell | Headteacher The Arnewood School (11- 19 Academy) New Milton Hampshire BH25 6RS |
| 12.2.16 | Concern about the amount of time the Head of School would be out of class and how this would affect the children. Wouldn't want children to be taught by a Teaching Assistant for half of the week | Parent |
| 22.2.16 | Agree for the proposal to go ahead | Parent |
| 22.2.16 | Positive idea, I fully support it | Parent |
| 29.2.16 | How will Sopley retain its own identity and why does Sopley need to link with another school? | Parent |
| 29.2.16 | How will a new executive HT get to know Sopley School? | Parent |

| 03.03.16 | Will there be opportunities in the future for working over 2 schools? | Staff |
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| 03.03.16 | How will not having the HT onsite full time & the Head of School in class, impact the school when, for instance, a parent urgently needs to talk to a senior member of staff or cover is required for play or at lunchtime? | Staff |
| 16.03.16 | How will the chancellor's announcement that all schools must convert to academy status impact on the proposal to federate Burley and Sopley schools? | Staff |
| 18.03.16 | It sounds like the Governors have put a lot of thought & effort into these plans & I trust their decisions to do the best for the children of both schools. I think Sopley is a good fit for Burley. Despite not having been a Head teacher for long, I believe Mr Twyman is a great head, approachable, available & welcoming. I've no doubt he could manage two schools effectively. Sharing SEN provision could be one way of saving costs going forward. Could we also join forces to have joint sports team? Especially amongst the girls | Parent |
| 18.03.16 | I completely approve of the proposal. Federation will help recruitment, and most importantly, retention of a very strong head and highly effective staff, the most important aspect that would affect pupils' outcomes and well-being | Parent |
| 18.03.16 | I fully support the federation of both schools. However as long as the correct teacher cover is made and not the use of TA's. The visible consistency for children | Parent |
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