

CONSULTATION ON CHANGES TO DAY PROVISION AT MARLAND SCHOOL, TORRINGTON, DEVON

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The closing date for responding to this consultation is 5pm, Tuesday, 20
October 2015

Marland School is a community special school which currently provides 40 residential places for boys aged 11-16. The day provision at Springfield Court, Barnstaple, was established in 2012, and provided a central location with ease of access to Marland School and commerce and industry hubs to facilitate work related learning/vocational learning opportunities.

We are consulting on the following proposal for our special educational needs provision in order to ensure an improved level of accessibility and ensure that there is access to services and provision for all children within their local communities and as near to home wherever this is possible. These proposals are in line with Devon County Council's Local Offer, which can be viewed at: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/send/> and our Education Infrastructure Plan, which can be viewed at: <http://www.devon.gov.uk/education-infrastructure-plan-v1.pdf>

The Proposal

Expansion of the day provision at Springfield Court, Barnstaple, from 25 to 36 places and change of age range from 10-16 to 8-16 years with effect from April 2016.

Cost and Planning

The day provision has space for these additional changes.

The Process

We are currently distributing this leaflet widely. The Headteacher will be happy to discuss the proposals further and contact details are as follows:

Marland School: Headteacher - Keith Bennett Tel: 01805 601324.

The consultation period will run until 20 October 2015.

We will carefully consider all you say, which will help us plan further for the future and we will keep you informed throughout the process at:

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/>

Your views will inform any decisions for future provision, taking into account our statutory responsibility to provide places for all pupils in Devon.

If the decision is made to proceed further with these proposals then the timetable for the remainder of the process (assuming agreement to each stage) is likely to be:

- Brief Notice issued & four week period for responses -
November - December 2015

- Devon County Council makes decision - **February/March 2016**

- Implementation - **April 2016**

Responding to the consultation

You can respond to the consultation by:

filling in the online survey via: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/>

this website includes details of the proposals and will be updated as matters progress

emailing: schoolconsultations@devon.gov.uk

writing to:

Strategic Planning Children's Services, Room AB2, Lucombe House, Devon County Council, County Hall, Topsham Road, Exeter, EX2 4QD

All responses will be placed on public file and will be available for public inspection.

Please note that all comments will be properly considered by the decision-makers, but we will not send individual responses to any specific points raised. The website will be updated and all statutory requirements complied with.

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