

		Points for Discussion					
Relationship to schools in the area	Support/ Oppose/ No View/ Other	Are you familiar with the proposal to increase Wheelock Primary and the rationale for this proposal	What is your view about this proposal?	Do you agree that the additional capacity needed due to population changes should be provided in the catchment area school, if possible?	Do you agree that the Local Authority, in its role as strategic commissioner of school places, should seek to optimise parental choice by providing more places in oversubscribed (popular) schools?	When increasing the number of pupil places in an area, there is always a risk that this will prompt some applications for mid-year movement, i.e. from one local school to another. Do you have a view about this?	"Is there anything further that you wish to discuss or comment on"
Parent/carer of Wheelock future pupil	Support	Yes, aware of rationale	Support	preference would be for a successful school . Next priority would be on in area or local school	popular schools are accessible to parents because of the area that they live but as no application has been made yet oversubscription hasn't been considered, but would prefer to expand this school	not necessarily if happy and settled, but ultimately would do what parents thought best for child.	first child securing a place in sept 2013.First pref for Wheelock. Recommendation from parents Wheelock is good. Parents feel this is important. Good feedback from other nursery parents
Parent/carer of St John's Current pupil	Oppose	Yes, aware of rationale	Too soon. In respect of demand, other schools have capacity to take additional pupils.	priority to local community.	No. Circumstances change	Depends on individual reason for change of school eg house move.	No school should be extended until other local schools are back to their original capacity. Catchment areas need to be looked at.
Wheelock School Rep	Support	Yes, aware of rationale	children in Wheelock school not enough space to get all the children in schools catchment area and their siblings. Went to one of the meetings and tried to express that without the housing planned and the way Sandbach is growing Wheelock will not be the only school to expand and other schools will have to expand in the near future.	Absolutely. Sch also doing very well and parents will want to send their children there.	Yes agree. Expand schs in line with parents choice to maximise choice.	Thinks that unless a sch was failing parents wouldn't move their children.	Long term strategy required - development.
Parent/carer of Wheelock current pupil	No View	Yes, aware of rationale	concerns about infrastructure and safe drop off/collection of children and disruption to existing children. Children taught in the hall from Sept - Oct half term.	Yes	Yes, but poorer performing schoolsshould be necouraged to improve.	This should not happen.	The transport from Ettiley Heath should be retainedas walking route is unsafe. Playground space needs to be maintained in any build.
Parent/carer of Wheelock current pupil	Oppose and Support	Yes in part - demand from catchment	Question impact on teaching - against mixing up classes in the 'ratchet' system as in Smallwood.Feel this is detrimental to some children ability to step up in larger class sizes. Strain on PTA to new stable state.	Yes, very leading question	Questioning is very biased. Yes.	As long as it is best for the child and places are available it shall be allowed as ever.	Transport impact - need to maintain transport options such as school bus.Has option of bringing Offley Rd back up to 2 classes been considered (tax payer efficiency argument.)
Parent/carer of Wheelock current pupil	Oppose due to transport	Yes, aware of rationale	Do not support proposed expansion due to threat of withdrawal of school bus i.e. Parking issues and interruption to pupils.	Yes	only if school can accommodate	would not move my child - continuity important	view has changed due to proposed cancellation of free bus.

Parent/carer of Wheelock current pupil	Oppose	Not yet	impact on local amenity and safety , parking on roads adjacent to the schol, number of journeys, dangers to children, parking on double yellow lines.	no, given small size of catchment areas. Leading question.	No, as above leading question	No view	zig zag markings etc. Parking on pavements blocking people's drives, parking on grassed areas.
Parent/carer of Wheelock current pupil	Oppose	Yes	parent for last 10 years and 18 by time of leave. This issue brought up before. Car parking already difficult and dangerous, more cars forced to park on main road, concerns because everything happening at once for the school. Not sure if the strong support is there and need for better communication from school.	To a certain extent but lots of children in the school that are not living in catchment area at present.	No. More parents should just go to their local school.	People would do that because people will try and get into Wheelock.	just concerned that the need for extra places if you expand the school then in 10 years time will we have to expand again (developers always want to build near a popular school) Would expansion of Sandbach Community be an easier option? For years told going to be reduction in numbers but could see in playgroup numbers were on the up. In the Wheelock estate lots of properties are rented and people moving in from Crewe. Knows a lot have rented in Sandbach because moved into the area for the good schools. Sandbach Girls school encroaching more and more of the leisure facilities. Can no longer go swimming during the day because school has taken (changed) their times. Can't park because 6th formers taking the spaces. If Sandbach is expanding need their own leisure facilities and existing ones to be transferred to the school. Concerned about places in the high schools in future years.
Representative/employee of a school (Governor Offley)	Oppose	Yes	It may be the right answer but not the complete solution. Offley can provide the same increase in intake for less capital.	Yes	No support the principle but at which it isn't cost effective and runs contrary to education needs of existing pupils.	The LA needs to consider the rush of mid year movement as part of its overall cost benefit consideration for the proposal	Reasonably confident with the rationale for providing additional places in the area would have been useful to have more information at the beginning of the process and particularly prior to formal procedures. Feel like it was a rush - last minute - rail - roading
Parent / Carer Current Offley		Yes	Would prefer to expand Offley to 60 Pan rather than Wheelock. Prefer to see single age class.	Understand the reasoning behind it, but not essential	No. Fill up surplus places elsewhere.		
Parent / Carer Current Offley	No view	Yes	Unsure of how it would affect Offley would like it to return to 2 form entry. Knock on effect for intake in the High School				
Parent / Carer Current Offley	No view	Yes	Concerned daughter may not get into Offley. Concerned about split age classes at Offley and would like it at 2 FE	Yes	Yes	Shouldn't be an issue only when if one school is deemed to be underperforming	

Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	Concern about it being part of a bigger picture	In principal places need to be within a reasonable travel distance preferably walking distance	uncomfortable with that proposal should be looking at improve generally	Feels it a managable issue	Many needs to be spent correctly and the budget shared amongst all of the schools. There is a danger in spending all of the budget on the best scoring school. * Raising standards at all schools and concerns about introducing mixed yr 5 groups when Offley could be full year groups
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	Sandbach community could scrap the childrens centre. Comments and consultation staff. Increasing Wheelock not the best for the long term new Primary school is required. Concerns that cross catchment traffic. If a school is over subscribed ideally go to next closest.	as previously stated		Does understand that this is a danger.	Redraw of boundaries for catchments concerns about the lack of long term strategy don't agree with mixed year classes. Concerns that this affects learning and behaviour mixing friend groups makes it difficult child feels they are being held back a year. doesn't think that in light of cut backs that this provides the best option.
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	Think maintaining full from entry groups as opposed to mixed - make Offley 2 FE as oppose Wheelock 1.5 FE Feeling of short term thinking eg TLC and	When possible needs to consider the greater picture	Complicated emphasis should be on improving the less successful schools. National issue - oversubscribed schools - capacity is there at Offley already.	Need to try and ? Against in year movement and sucking kids in from other schools	Short term need them use capacity where available and the consider long term strategy
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	opposes investment in growth at the school investment should be on Offley - more affordable and to make class org more manageable	Short-sighted. Not a removing mixed ages good use of tax payers teaching money.	No I don't think so - cross polluation I don't think there is a need to as catchment not guaranteed - choice. Not strictly necessary to have enough places for local children	No LA should use the facilities that it has in the most effective way taking into account customers needs and depth of it's purse - recession is a driving factor in this we shouldn't be spending money we haven't got	Don't have a view on this. Although it is a free market and therefore encourages competition between schools and therefore this is a good thing.	Single - age 5 teaching at Offley preferable
Governor Offley	Oppose	Yes	Feel that consultation less than fig. Already have the infrastructure to increase the PAN to 60. Could apply easily acc the extra. Pupils at a less cost to the council	In theory yes, but there is parental preference which plays a big part so in reality this isn't possible	Difficult and and concerned that it is difficult	Concerned that the proposal may result in pupils draining from other schools.	Concerned that the consultation has been flawed. The schools chairperson have been to meeting the feeling is that in the short term it would be easier to achieve at Offley and this moving issue from pupils migrating from the other schools to Wheelock if the work is done Offley on accommodate the pupils short term
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	Against and for Offley - please not to have mixed classes financial as Offley doesn't need as much work	Not necessary due to the distance been so short	If the space is there and it is popular and no need for buildings.	No concerns with regards to this	Preference is for Offley - make it 2 form entry.

Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	Oppose proposal not in line with LA's draft school organisation plan. Union recommends 1 FE/2FE - plus detrimental effect on other school admissions	In theory yes. Believe catchment areas should be looked at in view of planned housing developments	No - financial situation of all schools in an area should be considered.	Would prefer stability and for a school to manage its budget - size of this proposal will encourage movement of pupils	Would prefer alternative ie Offley to return to 60 PAN
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	Financial implications - spaces at other schools. Union need investment, other schools can be expanded at a lower cost	No	Where it can be easily accommodated	Only if spaces allows	
Representative/empl oyee of a school (at Offley)	Oppose	Yes	I feel that the proposal was short sighted and did not take into account the needs of all Sandbach and the schools	A review of catchment areas needs to be carried out with the new building works taken into consideration. Catchment area is sometimes well a way from school ie Ettiley Heath	All schools are over subscribed at some point - parental choice is not always possible	Each case needs to be taken on its merits	Long term strategy needed to be taken not short term solutions. Views of other schools needed further investigations before commitments made
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	I do not support the proposal - it will move Wheelock to an undersirable 1.5 FE, when the LA has already said it does not want half form entry. There is already a school in Sandbach (Offley) which has better capacity for an increased intake - it was recently reduced from a 2 PAN to 1.5 PAN. The same capacity could be added to Sandbach schools overall at a lower cost by returning Offley to 2 form entry.	No - catchement areas could be reviewed	It should be a consideration of course, but not at the exclusion of all other factors / cost exisiting capacity etc	No	No
Parent / Carer Current Wheelock	Oppose	Yes & rationale	Offley available capacity. Mixed age issues. Rest of school can cope i.e. grounds and floor space. 105 pupils. Parking issues. Requires "catchment" review. Transport from Ettiley Heath withdrawn	Yes within Sandbach but against Wheelock.	Yes	Don't agree as don't think rest of school could cope with 15 in every eyar. Don't agree with phasing. EG Playground, car parking.	Timeliness of communications i.e withdrawing bus route before Xmas and extension before holidays.
Parent / Carer Current Wheelock	Oppose	Yes	Against. Other schools have places and could be expanded.	Yes it is bus can catchment areas be changed.	Not necessarily.	Risk of this happening.	Concern about the possible loss of bus from Ettiley Heath.
Parent / Carer Current Wheelock	Support	Yes & rationale	Support in principle but reassurance in how it came about	yes	Dual view. Popular - but not at expense of under achieving schools.	As long as resources put in. Few additional places - how would these be addressed?	Clarification re. infrastructure ie parking / traffic. Review "catchment areas". Expanding other schools update? Resources taken from other schools? Children at Wheelock but concerned with children in other schools.
Parent / Carer Future Wheelock	Support	No - just received a letter that the consultation was on	Supported - new classroom	Nice to be in local school, within the catchment area. Yes - quality sustained.	Look at under achieving schools and improve. Case by case basis.	No view.	Transport issue - transport plan would help.
Parent / Carer Current Wheelock	Support	Yes & knew about the rationale	Supported - pupil at school and requires school placement siblings	Yes, or within the highest achieving schools.	Yes	It should only be allowed where capacity exists but must not destabilise either school finincially or in pupil's learning.	No

Parent / Carer Current Wheelock / Chair of Govs	Support	Yes	Fully support the proposal. Wheelock families have a right to attend their local school	Absoutely. Wheelock is an outstanding and successful school.	Yes	Any in year applications would follow the usual process. Parents have the right to send their children to an excellent school.	Local families should be allowed to send their children to the local school. Expand Wheelock.
Governor Wheelock	Support	Yes	I fully support the proposal to increase Wheelock school as above.	Yes I support this completely.	Yes	I wouldn't wish to see children moving between schools unless they have moved home to a different area.	I hope to see this matter resolved as soon as possible.
Governor Wheelock	Support	Yes	I fully support this proposal.	Definitely - the local children should go to the local school.	Again it makes sense to me to increase the places at the popular local school.	I would prefer to see this increase be phased in gradually. I would not like to see mid-year movement from other schools.	
Parent / Carer Current Wheelock	Support		Recognise necessity to meet growing demand. Concern about current facilities at the school. Necessity to make changes, if the school is to grow. Queries - hazardous routes / concerns! Car parking - safe spaces for drop off/ pick up - BUS !! access. double yellow lines. No particular view about which school should get concern that there does need to be sufficient no of places for younger siblings to stay together. School transport an issue - but this would not affect decision re school of choice	Yes, definitely. Also very happy with this 'exceptional' school so wouldn't entertain another school.	Yes	Good school - wouldn't be surprised. No view unless personal disadvantage.	Sees rational in larger sch better funding better facilities.
Neighbour to school	Support	Yes - no to rationale	In support	Yes, good for area/local community.	Yes	Mixed classes issue ie movement from 30 to 45.	Position of expansion. Housing development in the future.
Parent / Carer Current Wheelock	Support	Yes	Mixed view - how will if affect on current child at school and will it adversely affect learning. Difficult to access school - infrastructure outside school. Concern about loss of bus Ettiley Heath.	Yes	yes provising infrastructure is in place to support it.	Would be against that.	
Parent / Carer Current Wheelock	Support	Yes	Basically supportive. Wants to keep the bus. Yellow lines makes parking and drop of difficult. Crewe Road dangerous.	Yes	Yes but drive should be to improve and raise standards at other schools.	Don't want school to fill too quickly, as this may affect standards and may be disruptive to the children already in the school.	Big issue with the BUS. Don't want to lose. Petition due to be handed in to the Council. General amenities - concerns about swimming pool for example and school controlling the times.

Parent / Carer Future Wheelock	Support	Yes	Building in surplus and possible competition not a bad thing and could help drive up standards.	Not necessarily but children should be able to attend the best catchment school "outstanding" school that is available in an area.	Yes. Definitely.	See comment in Q3. Schools will have to raise their game if they are losing children must be a reason and that would force them to raise their standards.	
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes	Don't support proposal - does not agree with mixed aged teaching other options should be looked at - money could be put to better use.	No more distribution to schools with vacancies.	Improve schools - so more level playing field.	To be expected from parent/carers.	Increase Offley to 60 (2FE) - ideal 1FE/or 2FE other school with capacity. Review catchment areas in Sandbach.
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes & rationale. Offley do have a waiting list too.	Mixed year classes issue. <u>Against proposal</u> but re-sizing at Offley due to infrastructure already there (size, space).	Local schools, yes.	Utilising what we have and inc. in more appropriate way. What is best for the community.	Just reception <u>only</u> .	None.
Parent / Carer Current Offley and Governor	Oppose	Yes	Against proposal. Offley able to go to 2FE easily.	No other schools in the area should be expanded also.	Yes agree.	No view.	No.
Parent / Carer Offley and employee Offley	Oppose	Yes	Don't support mixed aged classes. Friendship groups affected. Learning issues. Different to substain from KS1 - KS2 (Key Stage 2 concerns)	Yes understand. School within community. Need to look at other options. Parents would be prepared to travel.	Offley not up to capacity. Other schools as good as Wheelock. Parents have a choice.	Maintain popularity with mid-year intake.	Extend the catchment area. Cost of Offley expansion considerably lower. New development - where would the children go? Other schools that could take the additional capacity - explore other options.
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes. Took part in consultation process.	Main concern is the volume of money spent on 1 sch. Should be spread out amongst more schools. And is there a need to expand Wheelock when Offley has the capacity already. Ack that spaces are needed in Sandbach area, but feels so much money being spent now at one school when Offley could accommodate them already.	Not necessarily - parent choose schools for many reasons.	If a parent chooses that school they should be allowed to go there. Comes down to funding teachers - if have 2 classes 45 may as well have 2 classes for 60 - still only same costs for teachers.	Yes thinks that would happen. I applied to Wheelock and was refused - now very happy with Offley and would not move but feel other parents would from any school not just Offley. Have friends with children in Elworth Hall - not happy and know's they would move if they could.	
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes and rationale	Oppose - don't agree with mixed age classroom. Housing development opposition. Disruptive for the children.	Yes. Nearest school not pick and choose and within catchment area.	Go to nearest school / walking distance.	Go within catchment area school.	
Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Yes and rationale	Not in support of it.	Yes, however there are several schools within close proximity.	Yes	Do not approve of mid year movement unless there are special circumstances.	Cost to be spent on Wheelock significant. Offley cheaper option. 2 form entry at Offley option - cheaper option to release residual grant to other schools. Large budget allocation to one school.

Parent / Carer Current Offley	Oppose	Letter format as did not attend consultant	The current proposal is for an extra 15 places to be created. 15 places could be created by returning Offley Road Primary to PAN of 60. - Until relatively recently Offley Road Primary had a PAN of 60 therefore has the infrasture in place to accommodate the extra pupils, for example two halls, group rooms, large grounds, large staffroom to accommodate extra personnal etc. - A return to a 60 PAN would mean a return to a 2 form per year group structure. This is a structure favoured by both parents and the local Authority themselves.	Offley Road Primary school acknowledge that remodelling or extension to the buildings will be required but this will not be needed until 2015. As the school has the appropriate infrastructure this will consist of classroom spaces only and therefore not be such a drain on the local purse. These classes will be required in any event in order to accommodate the 2012 reception intake.	Offley is a popular and successful school and as parents of a child in reception and also a resident interested in Sandbach's plans for development it would seem to make sense to favour a proposal to extend Offley Road Primary rather than Wheelock Primary. Please can you include our points in your deliberations.		
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