

Draft Education Provision in North Somerset – A Commissioning Strategy (2021 – 24) Consultation

We are pleased to seek views on our draft Education Provision in North Somerset – A Commissioning Strategy (2021 – 2024). This is the draft plan for delivering enough school places to enable every child aged 4 – 16 (and those aged 16 – 19 in school sixth forms) to have access to a local school place in the 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 school years. The plans needs to meet the needs of a growing population due to new housing in some areas; oversee increases in secondary places due to larger numbers of junior aged pupils and previous residential growth; and manage a potential reduction in demand in other areas due to a fall in birth rates that may affect the numbers of pupils starting school for the first time in areas without significant new residential developments. The consultation will run from 22 February 2021 – 5 April 2021.

We have also arranged some public information and Q&A sessions as below.

- Thursday 11 March 2021 between 11:00 and 12:00
- Monday 15 March 2021 between 18:00 and 19:00

If you would like to attend one of these public events, please email your details to School.Organisation@n-somerset.gov.uk. Whilst we are happy for you to share information about these meetings with others, we are asking all attendees to contact us directly if they wish to be admitted to the meeting as we need to know individual details to enable admission to the event.

We are hopeful the final plan will be submitted to the Executive in June/July for approval. Once agreed it will cover the period 1 September 2021– 31 August 2024.

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