

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CHANGE THE AGE RANGE OF JOHN SUMMERS HIGH SCHOOL, QUEENSFERRY CAMPUS, CHESTER ROAD, DEESIDE, FLINTSHIRE CH5 1SE AND TO DISCONTINUE THE QUEENSFERRY PRIMARY SCHOOL, QUEENSFERRY CAMPUS, CHESTER ROAD, DEESIDE, FLINTSHIRE CH5 1SE

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Sections 28(1)(a) and 29(1)(a) of the Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998 and the Education (School Organisation Proposals) (Wales) Regulations 1999 (SI1999/1671) as amended, that Flintshire County Council of County Hall, Mold, having consulted such persons as appeared to them to be appropriate, propose to:-

- Change the age range of John Summers High School from 11-18 to 3 -16 as of 1st. September 2016
- Discontinue Queensferry Primary school on 31st. August 2016.

It is proposed that pupils registered at John Summers High School wishing to access post -16 (sixth form) provision will be accommodated in the proposed new Post – 16 (sixth form) provision at the new Post-16 Hub at Golftyn Lane, Connah's Quay, CH5 4BH or other suitable provision selected by students in accordance with preference, and subject to available places.

Primary Phase pupils attending the existing Queensferry primary school will be registered with the new 3-16 age range school which will be on the same site.

The 3-16 age range school will be managed by one Governing Body, and led by one Headteacher.

The admission number for the new 3-16 age range school will be 30 for 3-11 year old children and 120 for 11 - 16 year olds, to allow for the other feeder primaries in the surrounding area.

Admission arrangements will be dealt with in line with the LA's Admission Policy. No provision will be made for either selection by aptitude or pupil banding.

Transport of pupils shall be dealt with by reference to the LA's Home to School Transport Policy.

Within a period of one month after the date of publication of these proposals, that is to say by 26th July 2013 any person may object to the proposals. Objections should be sent to the Director of Lifelong Learning, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 6ND.

The Authority will send copies of any such objections made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the objection period, together with their observations thereon, to the Welsh Government within the period of one month after the end of the objection period.

The proposals will (unless withdrawn) require the approval of the Welsh Ministers if :-

(a) Within two months after a copy of them is sent to the Welsh Ministers it gives notice that they require such approval; or

(b) Objections have been made within the objection period and have not been withdrawn during that period.

Where proposals do not require such approval, Flintshire County Council will decide whether to implement them.

Ian Budd

Director of Lifelong Learning

Dated 28th June 2013

EXPLANATORY NOTE;

This note does not form part of the statutory notice, but is intended to explain its general purpose

Flintshire County Council acting as the Local Education Authority intends to change the age range of John Summers High School, Queensferry from September 1st 2016.

This will mean the closure of the sixth form provision at John Summers High School from that date.

Post-16 (sixth form) provision will be available in the proposed new Post – 16 Hub to be established adjacent to Connah's Quay High School and Deeside College from September 2016.

Arrangements will be made to provide continuity of provision at the school for pupils who will have already commenced their post-16 provision at the School.

The school will have an increased age-range due to the incorporation of the primary phase provision provided by Queensferry Primary School, and the secondary phase will have capacity to accommodate children from the other primary schools that currently feed into the existing John Summers High School

Transport and Admissions arrangements will be in accordance with the prevailing Flintshire County Council policies.

Further information about the proposals may be obtained from the Director of Lifelong Learning, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire CH7 6ND (tel. 01352 704011)