



Saltney Schools Consultation Report



A Summary for Children and Young People



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School Planning and Provision

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone from Saltney Ferry C.P. School, Saltney Wood Memorial C.P. School and Young Flintshire who took part in the consultation and shared their views.

Your opinions are important and have helped Flintshire County Council understand what matters most to children and young people.



What Was the Consultation About?

Flintshire County Council asked people for their views on a proposal to:

- Close Saltney Ferry C.P. School and Saltney Wood Memorial C.P. School.
- Create one new primary school for children aged 3 to 11.
- Operate the new school on the two existing school sites at first.
- Build a brand-new school building in the future.

The consultation took place between June and July 2026.

No final decision has been made yet.

Who Gave Their Views?

The Council heard from:

- Pupils
- Parents and carers
- School staff
- Governors
- Trade unions
- Community members
- Other organisations



A total of **221 responses** were received during the consultation.

What Did People Say?

Many people were worried about:

- Travelling further to school.

- Road safety and walking routes.
- The possible loss of a community school.
- The impact on younger children and children with additional needs.
- Losing the special feeling and identity of their current school.
- Whether the current schools could be improved instead.
- Many people told the Council that they value both schools and wanted them to remain open.

Some people supported the proposal because they believed it could provide:

- A new school building.
- Modern facilities and equipment.
- Better learning environments.
- Improved resources.
- A more sustainable school for the future.

The Council has carefully considered all of these views.



What Did Children Tell Us?

Children told us many positive things about their schools, including:

- ✓ Their teachers
- ✓ Their friends
- ✓ School trips and activities
- ✓ Sporting opportunities
- ✓ The friendly environment
- ✓ Feeling part of their school community

What Did Children Think Might Be Good About a New School?

Many pupils thought a new school could provide:

- ✓ Modern classrooms and facilities
- ✓ New resources and equipment
- ✓ More opportunities for sport
- ✓ More people to make friends with
- ✓ A larger school community



What Were Children Worried About?

Many pupils also shared concerns about:

- Leaving friends and teachers
- Travelling further to school
- Moving to a new building
- Getting used to change
- Losing some of the things they enjoy about their current schools
- Feeling nervous during the transition



The Council recognises that these concerns are important.

How Were Children's Views Used?

The Council has considered all of the views shared by children and young people.

Many of the concerns raised by pupils were similar to those raised by parents, carers and members of the community.

The Council recognises that if the proposal progresses, it will be important to:

- Support children's wellbeing.
- Help pupils feel safe and included.
- Support friendships.
- Plan carefully for any transition.
- Preserve the positive features of both existing school communities.

What Does The Council Think Now?

After considering all consultation responses, the Council's assessment of the proposal remains unchanged.

The Council believes that the proposal remains the most appropriate way to:

- Improve learning environments.
- Reduce surplus school places.
- Support long-term sustainability.
- Make sure school buildings are suitable for future learners.



The Council has also recognised the concerns raised during consultation and these will continue to be considered throughout the process.

What Happens Next?

Flintshire County Council's Cabinet will consider the Consultation Report.

Cabinet will then decide whether to move to the next stage of the process.

If Cabinet decides to proceed, a Statutory Notice will be published and people will have another opportunity to formally object before a final decision is made.

Thank You

Thank you for taking part in the consultation.

Your views have been listened to and included within the Consultation Report.

By sharing your opinions, you have helped decision-makers understand what is important to children and young people in Saltney.

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