

## **PROPOSAL FOR ALTERATION OF AGE RANGE OF AN EXISTING SCHOOL**

**Based on Department for Education statutory guidance:**

*'Making significant changes ('prescribed alterations') to maintained schools: Statutory guidance for proposers and decision makers', DfE, January 2023.*

[Making significant changes \('prescribed alterations'\) to maintained schools \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)

### **Statutory proposal for alteration of age range**

**Contact details in respect of a Local Authority proposal.**

**School and Authority details:**

1. The name, address and category of the school affected:

**Greasley Beauvale Primary School  
Main Street  
Newthorpe  
Nottinghamshire  
NG16 2FJ**

**01773 712128 / [office@greasley.notts.sch.uk](mailto:office@greasley.notts.sch.uk)**

- **Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC)  
County Hall,  
West Bridgford,  
Nottingham NG2 7QP**

**Lynn Gilhooley (Senior Pupil Place Planning Officer)**

**0115 9773587 / [place.planning@nottsc.gov.uk](mailto:place.planning@nottsc.gov.uk)**

**Implementation:**

2. It is proposed that:

The age range at Greasley Beauvale Primary School be lowered to 3 – 11 years from the existing 4 – 11 years. This would enable the school to offer a Foundation 1 Early Years provision. This will be effective from the start of the Summer Term 2024.

## **Reason for change:**

Since the school opened in 2011, the out of school club provision has been provided by the Pre-School Learning Alliance (later named Early Years Alliance). They leased one of the rooms from the school, until recently, from 7.30 – 8.45am and 3.15 – 5.30pm (club runs from 7.45 – 8.45am and 3.30 – 5.45pm). During the day, they also ran the provision as an onsite nursery for pre-school children. This was used by the school community and wider. However, over time, the numbers diminished, and the setting was no longer viable and had to close.

The Early Years Alliance served their notice to the staff, LA and school in the latter stages of the summer term, and they vacated the setting on the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2023. Despite low numbers, and the closure, there is still a high demand for the setting from parents/carers of the school community and the school receive daily pleas for wrap around care and nursery provisions to be in place.

### ***The reason for school wanting to run their own nursery is to provide:***

- A first quality education for 3 year olds and above (before starting school);
- Quality transition into main school;
- Revenue in the school budget;
- Opportunities for staff, parents and children;
- All day care for children within the community (hence supporting families);
- An improvement in school data due to improved school readiness.

The school and governing body have carried out a survey of families and the local community, the results showed that there was a need for a nursery. The proposal, approved by the governing body, is to reduce the age range within the school to 3 from 4 to enable the school to offer full day care for pre-school age starting from 3 years of age (Including wrap around care for Pre School and Nursery children). Wrap around care to be provided by an external provider.

There will be no change to statutory school places within the school.

## **Pupil numbers and admissions:**

**Pupil numbers:**

The maximum number of children who will be able to access a place at the nursery will be 30.

**Admissions:**

The current admissions arrangements of Greasley Beauvale Primary School will not be affected by this proposal.

**Displaced pupils:**

There will be no pupils displaced by this proposal.

**Impact on the community:**

The school governing body approved this proposal on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

Children and families of 3 year-olds will have access to early years childcare and education in their own locality. They will not need to travel to an alternative provider out of the area to access their free entitlement place.

**Travel:**

No alteration to existing travel arrangements will be caused by this proposal as it is expected that existing families using the current on site early years unit will continue to use the early years-provision at Greasley Beauvale Primary School.

**At the end of this document there is a Consultation Response Form.**

**If you wish to respond to the consultation on this proposal, please send written comments to:**

- The Corporate Director for Children and Families  
(for the attention of Strategic Pupil Place Planning),  
County Hall, West Bridgford,  
Nottingham, NG2 7QP

or by email to [place.planning@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:place.planning@nottscc.gov.uk)

- Comments may also be submitted online at <https://consult.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/children-and-families-services/greasley-beauvale-primary-school-proposal-for-alte> (see **View our consultations**)

**To be received no later than 23:59 hrs on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024**

## Consultation Response Form

### STATUTORY CONSULTATION ON ALTERATION OF AGE RANGE AT GREASLEY BEAUVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

If you wish to respond to the consultation, you can share your views by:

- Completing the online survey on Nottinghamshire County Council's consultation hub <https://consult.nottinghamshire.gov.uk>
  - Emailing Nottinghamshire County Council at [place.planning@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:place.planning@nottscc.gov.uk)
  - Requesting a paper copy of this consultation from:  
*Strategic Pupil Place Planning, Children and Families, Nottinghamshire County Council, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottinghamshire, NG2 7QP* - to which your response should be returned.
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#### **Question 1.**

Do you think that the age range at Greasley Beauvale Primary School be lowered to 3 – 11 years from the existing 4 – 11 years.

- Yes  
 No  
 Neither agree or disagree

#### **Question 2**

Do you approve this proposal which would enable the school to offer provision for 3 year olds from Summer Term 2024?

- Yes  
 No  
 Neither agree nor disagree

#### **Question 3**

Do you have any further comments?

**It will help us to analyse responses if we know more about you.**

**Please complete the following details:  
(Please tick and complete all boxes that apply)**

I am a:

Parent / Carer	Which school do(es) your child(ren) attend?
Governor	At which school?
Member of Staff	At which school?
Pupil	At which school?
Other	Please specify (e.g., resident)
What is your post code?	