

Appendix 1 – Anonymised responses to consultation regarding proposed change of age range at Fairlawn Primary School

Response 1

My name is [REDACTED]. I very much support the widening of age ranges at Fairlawn and making the nursery provision permanent. Everyone loves the nursery and it provides a valuable resource for people in the local area.

My [REDACTED] and I am keen for [REDACTED] to attend nursery at Fairlawn. This will provide [REDACTED] with an excellent starting point for when [REDACTED] starts at Fairlawn in reception.

Response 2

It is a bad idea to implement a Nursery class at Fairlawn Primary. Francesca Cabrini in close proximity is struggling to remain open due to a shortage of pupils. It needs those children or it will face closure and job losses that arise from it.

It is a better idea to look at merging the schools in the future so this plan for expansion is ill-advised.

It is a known fact that birth rates are dropping and schools are seeing reduced numbers enrolling.

In view of this, I see no basis to continue with a project that will have a negative impact on the surrounding community.

I hope you will consider aborting the proposal and send these pupils to other nurseries in the area to help keep them afloat.