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Letter of support from the Children and Young People's Partnership

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John Freeman
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Dear Mr Freeman

Proposals for Holt Farm Primary School and Olive Hill Primary Schools

These proposals provide a good opportunity to improve the facilities available to families and children in the Halesowen North area. The Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership are in full support of these proposals.

Our understanding is that Holt Farm Primary will close at the end of August 2006 and that:

- Holt Farm site and the Olive Hill site will continue to offer nursery places as part of Olive Hill Primary School from September 2006;
- A new Children's Centre will be established on the Olive Hill site;
- These facilities will complement those already available at Hurst Green Primary, Olive Hill Primary and any other Early Years settings in the area.

The proposals should provide access to a wider range of services and we look forward to working with you in partnership to secure the improvements.

Yours sincerely

Gill Cooper
Acting Chair
Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership