Appendix 1 - Summary of responses received to the Primary Capital Programme Consultation

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During the consultation period a total of 105 responses were received which consisted of 74 questionnaire responses, 17 letters and 14 which were a combination of both.

Most responses were individual views with a small number of joint responses, mainly from Governing Bodies, and a response from Netherton C of E Primary School with 207 signatories.

The range of responses was mixed with the large majority expressing support for the Council's proposals.

Positive points received in response to the consultation included the following;

- Good opportunity to remove old, run down buildings
- Good opportunity to involve the community more in schools
- Agreement that a designated project manager is crucial
- Good opportunity to integrate services
- Will meet the needs of 21st Century curriculum
- Quality environments for both pupils and staff to work in
- Can ensure schools are suitable for people with disabilities
- Will resolve health and safety issues in many schools

Negative points received in response to the consultation included the following;

- Belief that the data used in the scoring matrix is out of date
- Worry about small schools being closed
- Lack of a detailed strategic vision
- Concern about church schools
- Concern that the document has mixed Primary Capital issues with Primary Review issues
- Document does not show the link between Primary Capital Programme and Building Schools for the Future
- A need to ensure progress is monitored throughout
- Worry that some projects will take pupils away from other schools

Detailed analysis of responses

Total number of responses to consultation = 105 Total number that included a completed questionnaire = 88

Questionnaire responses

Question 1. Do you agree with the overall approach to developing proposals for the Primary Capital Programme set out in paragraphs 10 - 18? Do you have any further suggestions?

Yes	No	Unanswered
72	14	2

Question 2. Do you agree with the long term aims set out in paragraph 54? If not, please say why.

Yes	No	Unanswered
74	10	4

Question 3. Do you agree with the specific priorities for investment during the first four years of the programme – 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 (see paragraph 63)? If not, what do think the specific priorities should be?

Yes	No	Unanswered
71	14	3

Question 4. Do you agree with the school projects to be delivered in 2009/10, 2010/11 and 2011/12 (see paragraph 65)? If not, what do think the school projects should be and why?

Yes	No	Unanswered
68	15	5

Description of Respondents

Parent / Carer	Headteacher	Governor / Governing Body	Councillor
40	12	27	3

Teacher / School Body	Trade Union	Other Various / Not
Representative	Representative	Stated
16	1	6