Appendix D

Statutory Notices

- 1. Sycamore Green
- 2. Highfields

Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council

1. Sycamore Green Primary

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 29(1) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 that Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council intends to discontinue Sycamore Green Primary School, Sycamore Green, Old Park Farm Estate, Dudley, West Midlands, DY1 3QE from 31 August 2006.

There are sufficient places to accommodate the pupils from Sycamore Green at Bramford Primary School and Wren's Nest Primary School.

From September 2006, it is proposed that the Sycamore Green site will become a temporary annexe of Wren's Nest Primary School and provide for those children whose parents have expressed a preference for Wren's Nest. The Governing Body at Wren's Nest Primary will assume responsibility for all aspects of the Sycamore Green annexe. The headteacher of Wren's Nest Primary School will be responsible for the overall leadership and management of both sites. It is expected that staff currently at Sycamore Green will transfer to the staffing establishment of Wren's Nest Primary School. The split site school will remain until the opening of new buildings in September 2009 on the current Wren's Nest site when all children will be educated on one site.

The current Authority's Transport Policy will pertain to address any issues.

Within six weeks after the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending the representations to:

Carol Williams, Team Leader - Executive Resources, Directorate of Education and Lifelong Learning, Westox House, 1 Trinity Road, Dudley. DY1 1JQ.

Within one month after the end of the representation period, the LEA will send to the School Organisation Committee for the area copies of all representations made (and not withdrawn in writing) within the representation period, together with the Authority's observations on them.

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Date 21 November 2005

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Explanatory Notes

The new school Buildings for Wren's Nest are due to open in September 2009. It is intended that the school will continue to cater for 420 places for girls and boys between the ages of 5 and 11. In addition, the new buildings will also accommodate a Children's Centre for children aged 0 to 5 and their families.

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2. Highfields Primary School

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 29(1) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 that Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council intends to discontinue Highfields Primary School, Bell Street, Coseley, Bilston, West Midlands, WV14 8XJ from 31 August 2006.

Alternative places for children attending the school will be available in Christ Church C.of E., Hurst Hill, and Wallbrook Primary Schools.

The planned admission number at Christ Church C. of E. will be increased from 45 to 60 from September 2006. Should the demand for places at the school from parents of children attending Highfields Primary exceed the planned capacity of 420, an agreement will be sought with the governors for a temporary additional increase to enable parental preference to be met and families to attend the same school. From September it is proposed that if required the Highfields site will become a temporary annexe of Christ Church C. of E. School. The governing body of Christ Church C. of E. Primary will assume responsibility for the annexe. The day-to-day organisation and composition of both sites will be the responsibility of the headteacher.

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