



Public Notice: Proposal to lower the age range at Hunsbury Park Primary
School from 4-11 years to 2-11 years

West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) is proposing to consult between Tuesday 13 August and Tuesday 10 September 2024, on a prescribed alteration to lower the age range for Hunsbury Park Primary School, Dayrell Rd, Northampton NN4 9RR from 4-11 to 2-11 years. This will allow Hunsbury Park Primary to take over the running of the early years (that is currently closed due to unforeseen circumstances) to compliment the wrap around care out of school club provision on site. It is proposed that the nursery will re-open from Monday 23rd September subject to a successful consultation process and statutory approvals being granted.

Hunsbury Park Primary School propose to continue running the term time, full day care model, offering flexible patterns to meet the needs of the working demographic. They will operate between 8am and 5:30pm, Monday to Friday and will continue to offer 24 full time equivalent funded early education entitlement (FEEE) places to 2- 4 year old children and out of school club for 4-11 years. To support a robust handover from the previous care provider, we will be providing a staged approach with year 1 offering pre-school (3-year olds) morning and afternoon sessions and year 2 offering extended full nursery sessions to 2 and 3-year-olds.

Under this proposal, children aged 2-4 years would formally become part of the same structure as the school within the nursery school provision and on the nursery roll. The changes proposed are expected to be permanent.

Children will benefit from one cohesive team working with the school's early years cohort and a high-quality teaching and learning experience with provision led by the Head of Early Years (QTS).

West Northamptonshire Council feel the provision will support younger children with school readiness and a smooth transition to reception, due to familiarity of the environment and staff.

The publication of this notice will see a four-week period of consultation begin on this proposal. Any stakeholder wishing to express support, object to or make any other comment can do so using the contact information below. A copy of the full proposal can also be obtained in this manner or by visiting:

Website: <https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com>

Email: placeplanningconsultation@westnorthants.gov.uk with the subject 'FAO Hunsbury Park Early Years Consultation'.

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All responses must be received by midnight on Tuesday 10 September 2024.