



Consultation – 23rd June to 13th July 2017

Proposed Future Provision for Secondary Education in Cambourne West

Background

As part of our commitment to providing excellent education within the community of Cambourne, The Cam Academy Trust is working with the support of the Local Authority to establish additional secondary educational provision to meet the need for more school places in Cambourne and from the new housing development in Cambourne West, which seeks to create an additional 2,350 homes by 2030. There is a clear need for these additional places from September 2019.

What is being proposed?

The Trust is seeking to expand provision at Cambourne Village College by creating a second campus to serve the needs of Cambourne West, thereby replicating the outstanding educational provision that currently exists for secondary aged pupils in Cambourne. The new provision will be part of The Cam Academy Trust, with leadership provided by the Principal of Cambourne Village College, who will operate as the Executive Principal of both campuses. The new campus will be built on a parcel of land adjacent to the existing secondary school site, provided by the developers, Bovis – Wimpey. Provision would start in September 2019 with 3 forms of entry for Year 7.

Why is this new provision needed?

This additional provision is needed to meet the increasing demand for secondary school places within the existing Cambourne settlement and for the newly-created need arising from the proposed new development at Cambourne West. Local Authority forecasts show a need for an additional 48 Year 7 places from 2019, rising to 108 places by 2023. Given the history of demand exceeding the supply of secondary places in Cambourne, plus additional demand from areas outside the Cambourne catchment, these are the minimum numbers expected.

To meet this likely demand we are, therefore, seeking to establish an additional three forms of entry starting with Year 7 pupils at the second campus from 2019 (up to 90 pupils), rising to a possible six forms of entry (900 pupils) , subject to future growth demands as the development progresses.

Where will the funding come from to pay for this?

As this provision is to meet an increase in basic need from the existing Cambourne settlement as well as newly-created need from the Cambourne West development, the provision will be partly funded by the Local Authority capital programme and by developers' contributions as part of their planning obligations (so-called S106 funding).

How can you respond to this proposal?

There are three ways that anyone with a legitimate interest can submit views on this proposal:

1. In person - by attending the consultation general meeting at Cambourne Village College on **Thursday 13th July at 6pm** where there will be a short presentation explaining the rationale and nature of the proposal, followed by an opportunity to put questions to representatives from The Cam Academy Trust, Cambourne Village College and the Local Authority.
2. By writing to **Consultation response (FAO Yvonne Corkin), The Cam Academy Trust, West Street, Comberton, CB23 7DU.**
3. By email to consultations@catrust.co.uk

A form is attached by clicking [here](#) for you to record your responses.