
**FAO Parents/Carers of Pupils at
Chichester Schools**

02nd November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Proposals for developing Jessie Younghusband Primary School and St Anthony's Special School

West Sussex County Council is currently considering proposals for the relocation of Jessie Younghusband Primary School and the expansion of St Anthony's Special School.

The proposed options are to relocate Jessie Younghusband Primary School to the primary school site identified at the Minerva Heights development for it to become the local school for the development and wider community, and to expand St Anthony's Special School into the building vacated by Jessie Younghusband, creating an additional 50+ special educational need places. A review of the catchment area is also proposed to reflect Jessie Younghusband's relocation.

However, we would like to stress that these are proposals and we are very aware of issues and concerns raised during the initial discussions that need further consideration with you and the wider community before any action can be taken.

An entry has been published on the county council's website in our [Forward Plan](#) setting out the intention for a decision to be taken to consult on these proposals.

We will keep you updated on that decision and, should we proceed to consultation, will be writing again to ask you to share your views and constructive ideas on working together to take this project forward.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Steve Nyakatawa
Interim Assistant Director of Education & Skills