Campus Woking Consultation - Tell us what you think!

Who are we consulting?

A wide range of people with an interest in the future of education in Woking, including parents, carers, young people, professionals and the voluntary and business sectors.

How are we consulting?

- This questionnaire and background information will be available online, or in printed form on request.

- Copies will also be sent to Woking schools, to distribute to parents.
- The documents will also be sent to other organisations and interested parties.

- There will be other events and opportunities in Woking, such as focus groups and public meetings, for people to express their views.

This is a county wide consultation but with a particular focus on Woking. We are keen to hear from schools, families and anyone with an interest in education.

What will happen after the consultation?

This consultation closes on 2 May 2007, after which the responses will be analysed. A full report on the responses will be available from July 2007 at www.surreycc.gov.uk/campuswoking

If as a result of the consultation there is agreement to proceed with Campus Woking, a more detailed business case will be prepared and work will begin to implement the proposals in Woking from September 2007 onwards. Further updates will be available on our website as appropriate.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to share your views with us. This questionnaire should take about 10 minutes to complete. There is also space at the end if you wish to make additional comments on any point.

If you have any enquiries relating to this consultation please

- visit our website: www.surreycc.gov.uk/campuswoking
- email: campus.woking@surreycc.gov.uk
- or phone 08456 009 009.

We need your views and comments on the Campus Woking proposals summarised in the accompanying document: *Where Next?* Please help us to shape education for children and young people in Woking, by answering the following questions:

What's Important for the Future of Education in Woking?

Surrey's schools already deliver high quality education. But we are always seeking to offer more to children and young people. Your answers to this section will help us to decide what is really important for the future development of education in Woking.

What do you feel should be our main priorities for developing Education in Woking? Please indicate how important you think each one is by ticking the appropriate box –

- Not important at all
- Of some importance
- Fairly important
- Highest priority
- Not sure

Priority	Not important at all	Of some import- ance	Fairly important	Highest priority	Not sure
Enabling all young people to get more and better exam passes at GCSE than at present.					
Preparing young people for the jobs that are likely to be available in the future.					
Focusing more on teaching English and Maths to young people					
Offering children and young people more opportunities to pursue cultural and sporting interests.					
Providing more opportunities for children and young people at risk of underachieving to reach their full potential, for example those who are in care, have disabilities or are from ethnic minorities.					
Providing more opportunities for gifted and talented children and young people to reach their full potential.					
Having schools work more closely with each other, and with other organisations, to offer enhanced opportunities for pupils.					
Supporting teaching staff to develop their careers in Surrey rather than move to other counties.					
Letting young people personalise their learning, rather than having to follow a rigid structure.					
Finding creative ways to bring more money and other resources into the education system.					

Giving schools greater independence from the control of Surrey County Council.			
Increasing children and young people's confidence and motivation.			
Developing children and young people's broader sense of social responsibility.			
Improving the appearance of school buildings and grounds.			
Finding new ways to make the best of what we already have, including school land, school			
buildings, and other resources .			
Providing a wider choice of courses for schools, parents / carers and children, including			
more vocational courses.			
Giving more support to children and families in difficulties, so that there is less need for			
intervention by social care teams and other support agencies.			
Developing closer links between schools and communities.			
Making sure that all children and young people have access to the best possible services in			
school, irrespective of ability to pay.			

Campus Woking Proposals

These are the ideas being suggested for Woking's schools. Please tick one box in each row to show whether you:

- strongly disagree with the proposal
- disagree
- neither agree nor disagree
- agree
- strongly agree
- don't know

Proposals	Strongly	Dis-	Don't	Agree	Strongly	Don't
	disagree	agree	know		agree	know
Woking schools should join together to form one "Campus", while keeping their own						
name and independence.						
Pupils should have one base school where they spend most of their school time.						
School admissions, number of places in schools, and other policy issues should be						
managed by a Woking-based board, rather than by Surrey County Council.						
The voluntary sector should be invited to play a larger role in supporting education						
Better links should be developed between schools and the local business community .						
Better international links should be developed for schools.						
Better links should be developed between schools, colleges and universities.						
Links between primary and secondary schools should be strengthened.						

Joint working between state schools and independent schools should be developed, including shared use of facilities.		
Better links should be developed between schools and other services such as Social Care teams, the Youth Service and the Police.		
Young people should be offered a much greater range of vocational courses alongside their academic studies.		
Each child from age 9 to 16 should be provided with their own laptop computer to help learning and assist development.		
We should think about setting up a charitable trust or social enterprise if this could be shown to increase the flow of money into local schools.		
(For parents / carers:) I would be prepared for my child to spend some time at a location other than their chosen school if it helped their education.		
(For parents / carers:) I would be prepared to pay between £1 and £2 per week to support the provision of a laptop for my child so long as the laptop was owned by my child at the end of the payment period.		
(For parent / carers:) I don't care how the school system is organised as long as my child gets a good education.		

Please use the space below to make any other comments you like about the issues raised in this questionnaire.

Thank you for taking the time to let us have your views.

Your details

I am responding to this questionnaire as (please tick which best describes the role in which you are answering these questions):

 \Box A parent / carer of a child under 19

 \Box A young person (under 19)

□ A school governor

(Optional) - Please give the name of your school / your child's school(s) / the school you are a Governor of.

 \Box A professional working with young people

 \Box A volunteer working with young people

 \Box A representative of an organisation

 \Box An employer based in, or with strong links to Woking

(Optional) - Please give the name of the school, organisation or company for which you work

(Optional) – Please give your role _____

Other (please state) _____

(Optional) My post code is _____

How would you describe your ethnic group? Please tick one box

Asian or Asian British		Bangladeshi
		Indian
		Pakistani
		Any other Asian background
		If other Asian background please give details:
Black or Black British		African
		Caribbean
		Any other Black background
		If other Black background please give details:
Mixed		White and Asian
		White and Black African
	\square	White and Black Caribbean
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		Any other Mixed background
		Any other Mixed background If other Mixed background please give details:
White		
White		If other Mixed background please give details:
White		If other Mixed background please give details: British
White		If other Mixed background please give details: British Irish

Chinese or Other Ethnic Group					
Please tick one box		Chinese			
		Other Ethnic Group			
		If other Ethnic Group please give details:			
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I would rather not answer