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OUR REF:

*Dear Local Members and Parish Councillors*

**Consultation on the option to expand Stapeley Broad Lane Primary School**

Can I firstly thank those of you who contributed to the recent consultation process relating to the option to expand the above school by a half form of entry.

The Council and School received a diverse range of consultation responses which have to date been considered by the Governing Board and Local Authority Officers. In summary, two of the key themes which emerged relating to the feedback were the potential increase in road traffic in and around the school which already is an issue at specific times of the day and the need to address parking availability/access at the school. In addition, the issue of the current availability of school places in some local primary schools has raised the issue of the need for such an expansion or to carefully consider the timing of when a possible expansion would be needed.

At a meeting held at the School on the 26<sup>th</sup> June involving members of the Governing Board and Local Authority, it was agreed to commission a transport assessment through the Council Highways Service. This will generate detailed information regarding the impact of any expansion on the local environment and to suggest options for mitigating increased traffic and potential safety concerns.

The Governing Board and Council are keen to ensure that a thorough review has taken place to respond to the consultation feedback and this initial piece of work is seen as critical. The School and Local Authority will continue to keep you informed of developments as further information is made available.

I thank you again for your contribution to this consultation

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Bayley'.

Mark Bayley  
Head of Service