

# Chairman's Announcements

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| <b>Subject:</b>     | <b>Representation on Special School Provision in North Wiltshire</b>  |
| <b>Web contact:</b> | <a href="http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal/education/">http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal/education/</a> |

Wiltshire Council would like to draw your attention to its proposal for special schools in north Wiltshire.

There will be a statutory notice published at 9am on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 regarding the closure of:

- St Nicholas School, (Special) Malmesbury Road, Chippenham, SN15 1QF
- Rowford School, (Special) St Edith's Marsh, Rowde, SN10 2GG
- Larkrise School, (Special) Ashton Street, Trowbridge, BA14 7EB

and the related opening of a new amalgamated special school across the three existing sites.

It is proposed that:

- A new maintained school is established with a single leadership team for the existing St Nicholas, Rowdeford and Larkrise schools as soon as possible, and no later than 1 September 2021.
- The closure of St Nicholas, Rowdeford and Larkrise schools, as related proposal, occurs no later than the 31 August 2021.
- St Nicholas and Larkrise stay in use on their current sites until the new provision is ready, and it is appropriate for children to transition to the new site at Rowdeford.
- The Council will consult on the appropriate number of sites when most of the new places are available.

Wiltshire Council will open the consultation outlined via the link above.

Responses to the proposal (made via an online survey found at the above-mentioned consultation portal) must be received by the Council by 9am on Monday 30 September 2019.

If you or any of your residents have any questions about this, or would like any further information please email [SpecialSchools@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:SpecialSchools@wiltshire.gov.uk) or write to Special Schools Consultation, Commissioning Team, Wiltshire Council, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN.