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# CS-003-11 - RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSAL TO CLOSE GRAFTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

### **Purpose of Report**

This report sets out the background to, and results of, consultation undertaken between 7 February and 7 March. It recommends that the Local Authority publishes statutory proposals to close the school from 31 August 2011.

### **Consultation**

The consultation document was circulated to:

- Parents of current pupils
- Parents of children not yet of school age in the designated area of the school
- Staff
- Governors
- Diocese of Salisbury
- The Local County Councillor
- The Local M.P.
- The County Secretaries of the relevant unions
- Primary Heads Forum
- Heads and Chairs of Governors of nearby primary and secondary schools
- The Parish Council

Further copies have also been made available at the school on the school website, the nearest library, and on the Council website.

#### **Reason for Decision**

The decline in pupil numbers at the school means that it is not possible to maintain the provision of high quality education at the school.

# **INTENTION TO MAKE DECISION**

Following consultation with officers I give notice that I intend to make the decision set out in the attached report. If you would like to make any representations to me on this issue please do so by 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2011

## The following supporting documents are attached:

Cabinet Member for Children's Services