

Public consultation results for a proposal to expand Flax Bourton C of E Primary School from a 140 to a 210-place primary school formally with effect from 1 September 2018

What are we consulting on?

North Somerset Council consulted upon the possible expansion of Flax Bourton C of E Primary School (Flax Bourton) from a 105 to a 210 place school, formally with effect from 1 September 2018. The consultation commenced on Wednesday 12 September 2016 and ended on Wednesday 12 October 2016. This included an on-line consultation, the availability of 150 paper questionnaires, including questionnaires to homes neighbouring the school, and two public meetings.

A total of **124** responses were received (7 paper, 1 telephone call and 1 email 115 via the Council's on-line consultation facility (Econsult)). This represented a 6% response rate for paper questionnaires with 93% utilising econsult. Comments about the proposal were recorded at the public meetings. All comments received were recorded and categorised (see figure 2) with the detailed comments in table 1.

Of the 124 responses received, 113 (**91%**) **supported the changes proposed**, 10 (8%) were against the proposal and 1 (1%) expressed no view (Figure 1).

Figure 1

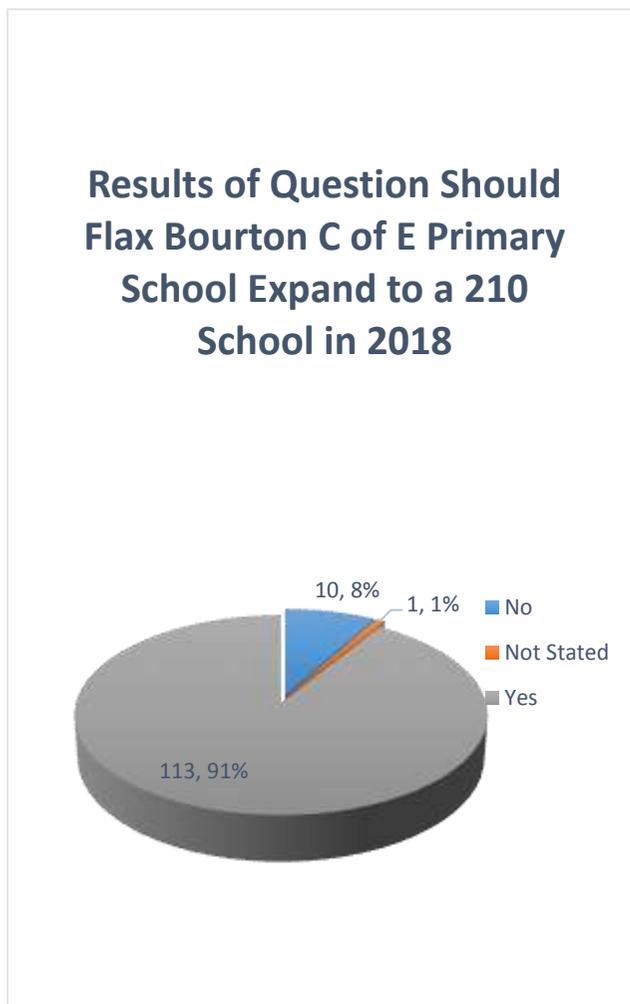
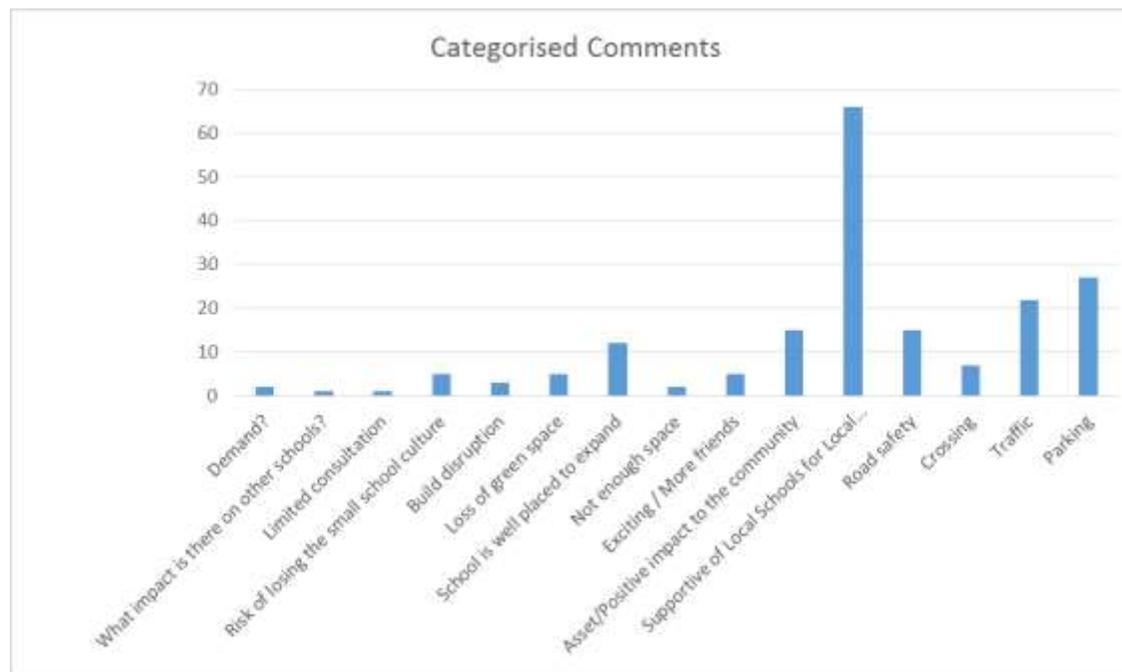


Figure 2



The below table incorporates all the comments received throughout the consultation which have been categorised.

Table 1

Response Method	School Relationship	Expand	Why Have you Chosen Your Response	Additional Comments	Category
Econsult	Member of the Community & Former Chair	Yes	The demand exists and the school is well placed (quality of education and size of site) to respond.	Consideration should be given to replacing the ageing Elliott building with permanent classroom(s) as part of this development . Hence plan to add 4 new classrooms to the existing 3 in the main building (even if this is done in 2 phases)	Build Design, School is well placed to expand
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I support the growth of the school which is a real asset to our community. It would be a shame for local children to miss out on the option of attending their local school. By being upfront about the expansion allows the school to plan for the future and enlarge facilities in a sensible well planned manner rather than being forced to take extra children at short notice in an unplanned way.	My only concerns around the expansion of the school would be that the school has such a special atmosphere at the moment - friendly, supportive and inclusive and I would hate to see that lost with the expansion. But I am sure the staff will take care to preserve this nurturing environment together with the outstanding level of	Build Design, Asset/Positive to the Community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Risk of Losing the small school Culture

				teaching recognised by Ofsted. I also feel very strongly that any plans to expand the building are well designed in a way that does not encroach on the lovely grounds that	
Econsult	Parent	Yes	No Response	What consideration is being given to ensuring minimal disruption to students during the build: e.g use of building/construction methods/materials that could allow some offsite construction and will keep building work to school holidays only (as far as possible). E.g If, hypothetically, the demographic is such that the 'boom' of families moving into the area is only predicted to last for, say, 20 years, then the additional classrooms (not the hall, kitchen etc) only need a lifespan to match.	Build design, Build Disruption

Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Distribution of letter notifying of consultation was limited. Please incorporate a wider catchment in the communication.	Consultation
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Because we live in flax Bourton and have 2 preschool age children.	We have concerns about the safety of the road, particularly the poor visibility for crossing (looking towards the railway). So we would wish for some road safety improvement.	Crossing, Road Safety
Econsult	Other	Yes	<p>Increased size will help protect the financial viability of this excellent village school.</p> <p>The school has the space to expand but care must be taken to ensure the outdoor space is maintained as much as possible.</p>	<p>In planning, I would support the plan only if it includes replacing the low standard temporary class rooms with permanent, fit for purpose class rooms.</p> <p>A zebra crossing is also essential to make the access safe for those walking from Farleigh green.</p>	Build design, Crossing, School is well placed to expand
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		What % of new pupils come from village and other villages?	Demand

Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Demographics	Demand
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	The school has the space and professional expertise to expand.		It has the space and expertise to expand
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	With 2 children at the school I realise how important it is to attend the school closest to them as it has given them the opportunity to build close friendships and relationships with neighbouring families which in turn creates a real sense of community & an invaluable support network. It also allows us to walk/cycle to school safely each day, promoting a healthy lifestyle from a young age. I therefore understand the need for expansion to allow other children living in/near to Flax to attend.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Governor	Yes	<p>The School is oversubscribed and places are needed to continue to provide a school that adequately serves the local community.</p> <p>The school is an important part of village life which should be preserved.</p> <p>Further expansion of the school will help to maintain the viability of a school in the village at a time when small schools funding is under increasing pressure as a result of changes in legislation.</p>		Local schools for local children

Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	The school has expanded its reception intake in the past two years to accommodate both village children and also further flung siblings of existing pupils for whom Flax Bourton school may not have originally been their first choice of school. It would be a tragedy if the school could accommodate both these categories of children, and any other local children who want to receive the outstanding education which the school provides. Flax is special, I would want us to share that.	If the school had not expanded in recent intakes, either sibling groups would be split or local village children living within walking distance of Flax would have to be bussed elsewhere to other schools. This would be a travesty. We have the space to grow, we have the support of the LA to grow & issues such as traffic and congestion are surmountable. To those objecting to the expansion, I would say - imagine it's your child being denied a place at their local school. Still object?	Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	We want to continue to provide an outstanding provision of education to the families in the community that would like their children to attend the school. An expansion in young families moving to the area means a failure to expand would lead to children from the local community being turned away. Our site is plenty big enough for such an expansion.		School is well placed to expand, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Yes because there is a need in the locality for more primary school places.		Local schools for local children

Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I have 2 daughters at Flax and its a fantastic School, the villages surrounding the school as well as flax have lots of young families moving in and the school needs to expand to be able to accommodate all the families, the school has the space to grow so it makes perfect sense. I think its very exciting that the school can grown, it will work much better as a full year intake.		School is well placed to expand, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Because it's needed		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	The local community continues to grow and more houses are being built. At present my children are in a school 4 miles away as all places were full 2 years ago when I first applied. It seems a shame for other families to be similarly affected and for siblings to end up in different local schools.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	There are too many children locally for just 15 places. Flax Bourton primary really needs to take 30 children every year.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Other	Yes	The school should expand due to the need for siblings to attend the same school. It is difficult for parents to carry out two school runs and shouldn't be necessary.		Local schools for local children

Econsult	Other	Yes		At the moment my god son may not get a place within this school even though his sibling attends & it becomes impossible for working parents to get their children to different schools in different villages and have both children be punctual and arrive for work.	Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	We want expansion rather than possible closure of the school.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Living in Long Ashton the squeeze in Primary School places is very apparent and in my child's intake half of the class were Long Ashton children. With both local schools at maximum capacity with no room for further expansion & Flax being the next nearest school & having the space & the support of parents and staff alike to grow, it seems it is the best solution to the Primary School place problem in the local area.		School is well placed to expand, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	It will allow siblings to be together and cope with the growing school demand.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Essential to accommodate the local community growing as a family friendly place.		Local schools for local children

Econsult	Parent/Carer & Teaching Assistant	Yes	This is a popular, outstanding school. The village is expanding and we have more young families joining us in the village all the time. Our village would benefit from a larger school that could accomodate our growing population.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Other	Yes	I couldn't get my daughter into the school in flax or long Ashton. Even though I lived in rosemount road at the time. I think it is dreadful that you can live a few hundred yards from a school and be offered a place in Dundry. I am now paying for private school as it was the school closest to my work and my only viable option. I am thoroughly disgusted that North Somerset permits the building of new properties without provision for school places. I fully support the parents in a similar position	Children should go to school with local children and their parents should have support from local families, making children commute long distances to school (certainly at primary age) seems ridiculous to me and counterintuitive. Life should not be spent on a school bus sitting in traffic. It should be spent cycling to your local school and playing and learning with friends	Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	The school needs to accommodate a larger intake so local children can attend their local school.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	We need schools expanded and improved across the UK. We need to ensure children and their siblings are exposed to diverse and integrated communities from an early age. We need schools to evolve and expand to enable all children to be prepared for life.	Expand. Evolve. Make a positive impact for our future communities.	Asset/Positive Impact to the community

Econsult	Other	Yes	Would serve a greater population		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I have two children and I live in Long Ashton. I want both my children to attend the same school.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	We live in Long Ashton. We have two sons and I want them to attend the same school.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Other	Yes	We have been involved with the school for many years, ever since it was on the main road site, where my 3 children went. My grandson started in reception this term. It is a fantastic school and therefore very popular. It would be a shame if it couldn't accommodate all the children in the village from siblings to new young families over the next few years so I am in fully support of the expansion.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	Place shortages across North Somerset are causing problems for other local schools, not to mention parents.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	To ensure siblings in Long Ashton would also be able to attend		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	An expanding community needs an expanding school. Without this crucial step families stand to be separated by enforced attendance at separate schools. Most objectors seem to be worried about parking issues but the vast majority of pupils get there on foot.		Local schools for local children

Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	More families in the area		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Flax Bourton School provides a superb education for our children. Expanding the school will safeguard it's future.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	There is a need for more school places in this community.	Parents and children should be able to be part of their local community and attend a local school.	Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I think it is necessary for the school to expand to meet the growing demand in the area. The expansion will also provide the children and school with more opportunities and to enable them to continue to provide a fantastic education and environment for the children to grow and develop in.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I have two children one who will go to Flax School and one who has just started. I feel the expansion is necessary to create opportunity for the physical expansion of the facilities on site. If my second child were not to get in due to a high amount of applicants it would be very difficult for me to do drop off at two different schools. Plus for the social reasons surrounding not going to same school as his brother and having no local friends etc		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	The expansion in numbers will lead to greater facilities, benefiting my son who attends. Also have a younger child who		Local schools for local children

			will hopefully go to the school - without the expansion this would be in jeopardy.		
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	There is not enough school places for the number of families in the area.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	<p>The community has many young families who currently benefit greatly from the school.</p> <p>The school is at the heart of the community and it is vital that it is able to grow, develop and continue offering education to the local children.</p> <p>The school needs to expand to be financially viable going forward.</p> <p>Without the school's expansion, many children in the village may not be able to go to school in their community, or with the friends they have grown up with.</p>		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I want the school to continue with it's good work to a wider catchment area.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	This school is a fundamental asset to the Flax Bourton community. It's expansion is needed to draw in the young families that keep the village life cycles turning. Without this school the current and future populous of the village would be vastly different.		Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children

Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	If there is local demand and evidence shows this will continue then it makes sense to provide spaces for these children. By having a local school that they can walk to can surely only help, they would have to drive to another further away school causing congestion.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	We need to expand to support our growing community.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Other	Yes	I am from a small village where the number of children on roll was around 60. Whilst absolutely delightful, most schools of such small numbers have had to close in the past as they are not cost effective. Expansion is preferable to closure.	It seems better to increase the numbers on roll than have our children travel longer distances to school.	Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	To ensure sufficient school places for local children. There is already a lot of pressure on the school system in this/surrounding areas and children need to be able to attend a school close to them for the sake of community/friendships/environmental impact.	A 'part' breach year (intake of 20) in 2013 put huge pressure on the year group and resulted in worry for several parents as to how their child would be affected moving up the year groups. It clearly didn't work. A movement to a permanent 30 intake is the way forward to ensure that the children are not singled out/treated differently due to insufficient space in the class. Parking/increase in traffic can be managed. The	Local schools for local children

				benefits of an expansion for the community far outweigh such concerns.	
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	Long Ashton and Flax Bourton have a rapidly expanding population. With increased housing daily there is a clear demand for more school places. For children to have to travel miles to go to school is really disruptive in the informative early school years. Flax Bourton is a fantastic primary school and expanding would be good for the community at large.		Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children
Econsult	Other	Yes	Siblings can be in one school. Saves time, money and undue stress for the parents/carers and siblings.		Local schools for local children
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Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	It is needed to cater for the area. The grounds are large enough and will not distract from the lovely setting which plays a part in the children's environment.		School is well placed to expand, Supportive of Local Schools

					for Local Children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I think due to the increasing size of young families that have moved to this area in the last few years that we need to expand the school to ensure local families can all get a place for their child in this wonderful school		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	My concerns are that the school will close, if is not expanded.	I love the fact that Flax Bourton is currently a small school and was the main reason for choosing this school for my daughter. To have an outstanding school so close to where we live is fantastic and long may it continue.	Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	It is a good school. There are a large number of families in the local area. Teaching is more effective in classes that don't have split years. A thriving school will significantly benefit the local village and wider community.		Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	My daughter has just started at the school and we are very pleased that she got a place. She has a younger brother who we hope will also be able to attend. If he doesn't get a place due to over subscription this will present real challenges getting both our children to school.	In our case, if the school does not increase and our son does not get a place we will be forced to drive to the school everyday in order to drop off at separate locations. If both children attend the same school non	Local schools for local children

			The small size of the school is definitely a plus, however moving to single form entry will probably on balance result in a better educational outcome.	car based alternatives are viable.	
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I am definitely in favour of the expansion. I'm involved with the Flax Bourton Toddler Group which we started about 3 years ago and seeing the numbers of families moving to this thriving area has been very noticeable. There is a growing demand for school places and I feel strongly that local children should be able to go to their local school. If the school doesn't expand there will not be enough places for this to happen.	There is a wonderful community spirit within the village and if our children have to attend different schools I believe this will have a huge negative effect.	Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	There is a real and obvious need for increasing the number of school places in the local area.		Local schools for local children
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	To ensure the future viability of the school. To meet the needs of the local community		Local schools for local children
HT discussion	KS1 Pupil	Not Stated	We would have to give up a bit of our field which would be sad		Loss of green space

Econsult	Parent/Carer	No	The school having already grown over the last 3 years with 20, then the last two years increasing to a 30 pupil intake at reception level has really changed the school and in my view, not for the better. It has become more unfriendly with many unfamiliar faces that never get the chance to mix and increasing the school numbers further is only going to increase this feeling and now many faces are already unfamiliar. Further views below.....	Everyone used to know each other (the children as well as all the parents) and the children had a much stronger bond between every year group, a real asset to the school. The smaller year groups worked well together. I strongly feel Flax school should remain as a 15 pupil intake each year and maintain its 'outstanding' status, which is already being lost as it expands, such a shame this is going to be lost. It used to feel a lovely, small friendly 'family' village school and I miss that.	Loss of small school community
Econsult	Parent/Carer	No	The school is already big enough to service the parish it is in, it is only from taking children from neighbouring parishes that is pushing it over the edge! The mixed year classes work well. The whole atmosphere of the school is going to be changed and as it becomes a larger school like all the others. Keep Flax Primary special!! Keep Flax Primary School a unique and special small village school, please please please don't expand!	After the building work last year, the thought of my children coming to school throughout further more extensive building work than previously, for most of the rest of their time at Flax is an awful thought. It was like coming to school in a muddy, dirty prison with all the railing barriers up for a year before. There no thought for the children and	Build Disruption, Risk of Losing the small school culture

				families who will have to live through the expansion for the benefit of others after they've left and that will be of no benefit to them.	
Econsult	Parent & Governor	Yes		This expansion is absolutely essential for all the families who do not come specifically from flax bourton as 15 spaces is not even sufficient for flax children never mind all the siblings of children who come from other areas. Given the new building developments in progress this expansion is critical to ensuring children can have local school places and also that siblings of children currently in the school can also go there - which is in the best interests of those children and families.	Local schools for local children

Econsult	Parent	Yes	I believe that the local area is in need of providing adequate numbers of school places for the increasing number of young families and children. Without adequate expansion, children will need to attend schools far away which may be impractical. Especially if older siblings are already attending schools locally. The school already has the basic infrastructure and would be capable of catering for such an expansion - it makes sense to utilise the facilities to its full potential.	N/A	School is well placed to expand, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children
Econsult	Parent	Yes			n/a
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Econsult	Parent	Yes	Flax Bourton is a school built on an exceptional site. There is enough physical space to expand the school without compromising on the outdoor / green space. The other local primary schools are over subscribed and with an increasing younger population in this part of N.Somerset the additional school places are very much in demand.	I fully support this application and am confident that the school with its exceptional leadership, governing body and local community support will complete any expansion with sensitivity and consultation with the village residents.	School is well placed to expand, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children
Econsult	parent	Yes			n/a
Econsult	Parent/Carer	No			n/a
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes			n/a

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Econsult	Other	Yes			n/a
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes			n/a
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes			n/a
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Econsult	Other	Yes	Probably, depends on the answer to question below	Has an assessment be done of the probably impact of this expansion on neighbouring primary schools?	Other Schools
Econsult	Parent & Governor	Yes	Expansion will secure the future of this outstanding school and will provide much needed places for increasing numbers of children within the village and neighbouring villages, where school places are already oversubscribed.	To support the expansion, however, it is requested that due consideration be given to the need for sufficient parking facilities so as not to adversely impact the neighbouring residences.	Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Parking
Email	Unknown	Not Stated	There must be made available sufficient parking to account for the additional pupils. The road cannot cope with the current number of pupils being dropped off by car. To just say alternative methods of arriving should be considered by parents is too wishy washy. Firm controls should be put in place prior to any expansion.		Parking

Econsult	Member of the Community	No	The inconsiderate and often dangerous parking of parents dropping children to school already causes a hazard for pedestrians and motorists on Station Road and in Parsons Mead. They park on corners, bends and obstructing the view of driveways. There are only four roads for parking near the school - Bourton, Parsons Mead and Church Lane are cul de sacs and will likely become congested twice a day. The school travel plan appears to be ignored, I see many village parents still driving to school.	I have written and spoken twice to NS/ Parish council, requesting parking restrictions junction of Station Road/Parsons Mead, especially part way up Parsons Mead where parents park to avoid walking slightly further by parking more safely. Last I heard the Parish Council had possibly written to NS requesting same? Restrictions are imperative if you are to expand the school, to keep pedestrians, especially children safe! Don't really want yellow paint on village roads but do want safe kids!	Road Safety, Parking
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	In recent years the number of young families in the village & surrounding area has increased dramatically. It is v. important that an outstanding ed. is provided for these local children in their local area. The site provides ample space for expansion. Parking is an issue, true of any school, parking for all is never provided, & due to the v. limited time it is used, would never be cost effective or good for the environment. Local families	I am sure the school and the local community will work together, as always, to resolve any challenges created by this extremely fortuitous opportunity for the village of Flax Bourton and all local young citizens of the future.	School is well placed to expand, Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children,

			deserve the opportunity for an outstanding education		
Econsult	Parent	Yes	I fully support the growth of the school. It has the space to grow without negatively impacting on the amount of space available outside for the children.	Consideration should be given with regard to vehicle access at the busy times of the school day (drop off and pick up). If there was the option of a temporary car park/drop off zone on site during peak times this would help the residential parking which can be limited.	School is well placed to expand, Parking
Telephone	Former Governor	Yes	Delighted if it does expand if all factors – (see additional comments) are taken into account, particularly the parking, because village schools have been closing and it's good to see one that is thriving! When working with the school previously, the lowest eb was 50-60 children, it has moved up which was very exciting. One of the things that impressed me was that it welcomed people of all abilities and very inclusive.	A: if extra people, and on the same site, the road would get incredibly congested. Narrow bridge and not easy to come over. Concerned that it will be chaotic and parking issues.: B: If it were enlarged, would some of it be built on the field?: C: What catchment area would we be looking at?	Loss of green space, Road Safety, Traffic, Parking

Econsult	Member of the community	No	The roads near and around Station Road are heavily congested at school time already and doubling the school size will clearly make access and safety a major concern. Unless special arrangements for parking or delivering children to school safely then not a good idea.		Traffic, Parking
Econsult	Parent	Yes		Car parking will need to be addressed as this is already an issue for parents and local residents. The school should also ensure they retain green space and grounds for the children. More children will require more outdoor space for play and sports.	Loss of green space, Parking
Econsult	Parent	No	We chose a small school ethos, you'd be changing that; parking round the site will be a NIGHTMARE. Love the fact its a small school, more intimate, friendly.		Risk of Losing the small school culture, Parking
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Not parking sensibly, cars having to reverse 3-4 car lengths at a time to let cars pass	Parking
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Use of neighbouring field?	Parking

Econsult	Parent	Yes	I think an expanded school will benefit both the community of Flax and the children that attend the school. Schools are always a vital part of a local community and a vibrant school with strong links into the community is a good thing. The children will benefit from the investment into the school with great learning resources and I think expanding the school will continue to allow it to attract the best teaching talent available.	The biggest concern that seems to be raised against the proposal is the parking. I am a resident of Flax and live very close to the school and the parking does have to be managed carefully but I have full faith in the school, governors and council to take this into consideration and provide a viable parking solution that will maximise the safety of the children and minimise disruption to residents.	Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Parking
Paper Copy	Parent / Member of Community	Yes	My son has just started with the school in reception class as the second 'breach' year. If we hadn't go into the school, we would have been very disappointed and are glad the bnumbers increased. Teh main reason we moved to flax was because of the outstanding school and as more properties come on the marketed, more young families will moved to the area because of this. The school team and community seem more than capable to cope with expansion without Losing the 'close knit' feel. Also if the school didn't expand, I would be concerned of the class mixing with other years later down the line which I feel would be tricky when friendships have already formed.	Most residents are concerned with parking, not an easy issue to overcome. It maybe helpful if the school could have a lollipop person to help road crossing on station road at peak times. In addition to this, i think letters need to be issued to parents outlining and observing safe parking in the streets surrounding the school, this informatin cannot be communicated to the children alone.	Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Parking

Paper Copy	Member of the community	No	Proposal would required car parking and or a drop off zone away from teh public road. Additinoaly, consideration woudl need to be given to making Station Road one way north o its junction with Parsons Mead. Its all about parking congestion and road safety for children and other road users.	Will the expansion mean that we loose the ethos of a vilage school? Also, this school has conection iwth the local church. Very few children/parents outside the vilage have any connection with the church or vilage activities or support them.	Risk of Losing the small school culture, Road Safety, Parking
Econsult	Member of the Community	No	Not unless a car park is provided for all these additional parents to park to drop off their children at school. Living in Orchard Close we have on occasions been unable to get out due to inconsiderate parking, not often but it does happen. On one occasion my car was damaged while parked in the Close. We tend not to go out around school times but it is not always convenient . Could it be possible to purchase a piece of the field adjacent to the school for use as a car park?		Parking
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I feel due to the high standards given from Flax Bourton Primary they have more to offer. The increase of population of families close to Flax Bourton is increasing & it is important to aim to give as many local children a place at this school whilst still continuing at the current outstanding teaching standard already shown.	Given the location, Flax Bourton has the room to be enlarged whilst still having the room for the playing fields and out door activities it currently supplies. As stated in the consultation, parking and traffic is a concern & needs to be addressed, but based on	School is well placed to expand, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Parking

				the room available I feel it is a positive move to allow more children to be able to come to this school.	
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Flax Bourton school is the cornerstone of our community and I want to see it grow and thrive. As a parent who has had nothing but a positive experience of the school, I have no doubt that the staff and governors will make a success of the expansion. I feel strongly that families should have access to a local school and, if the projections for future requests for places are correct, then it seems that expansion is the sensible solution.	I understand the concerns around parking and they will have to be considered carefully, particularly any issues relating to child safety. But taking into account the fact that the school day starts and finishes outside of rush hour, and that cars are parked for a very short time at drop off and pick up, in my view, parking issues do not outweigh the need to provide local education services to local families.	Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Parking

Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	There are a lot of new young families moving into the village and there will be a need for more school places. These new families are an asset to the Village community.	As a resident of Parsons Mead which is very close to school and someone who is therefore affected by the parking by parents bringing and collecting children from school I would point out that the traffic at the present time is a problem, although only for a short duration. If the School nearly doubles in size parking will be a great problem with many more dangerous incidents than occur already. The school, parents and the village should work together on this problem.	Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Road Safety, Parking
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	If the need is there then I agree with the plans, but the traffic and parking needs to be managed properly.		Traffic, Parking
Paper Copy	Member of the Community	Yes	Yes - With reservations. Over the last half century Flax Bourton and its environs has become highly desirable residential area for Bristol based aspiring executive in commerce, industry and the professions, with periods of movement making pupil numbers rise and fall. Even so the current problem is vehicle parking which is already excessive and causing community antagonism. Doubling numbers will exacerbate the situation	It should be remembered that adequate parking covers not just the staff categories listed over leaf, but governors, voluntary helpers, visitors, emergency vehicles. Verbal assurances are not good enough. They can easily be ignored, sidestepped, altered. The	Parking

			to the detriment of the school and village populations. The solution of this state of affairs must be seen to be effected visibly before any increase in numbers is permitted.	paragraph on admissions shows the glib attitude of 'government' to real situations.	
Paper Copy	Member of the Community	Yes	I am supportive but with the proviso that more space for car parking can be found. It is an excellent school and as long as class sizes do not rise too much I think it will be good for the school.		Parking
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	To secure the future of the school only	Parking is a major issue and there needs to be a workable and coherent plan to address this before any further increases	Parking
Econsult	Parent/Carer	No	<p>1) Parking wise it already is a nightmare to park and impacts on local residents.</p> <p>2) The last expansion impacted on the houses behind the school.</p> <p>3) It will mean that the play/ sports areas will be smaller.</p> <p>4) With the last expansion there was an impact on pupils not being able to use outside space.</p>		Build Disruption, Loss of green space, Parking

			5) With the last expansion I am not sure that there has been thought given to impacts of more students e.g water fountains.		
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	Positive for the community		Positive for the community
Econsult	Member of the Community	Yes	This will help the community		Positive for the community
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	Great for the school and the community.		Positive for the community
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	I feel by expanding the school the quality of teaching and of the school/facilities itself will continue to go from strength to strength.		Positive for the school

Econsult	Other	No	The consultation paper does not give clear measurable targets to address health and safety re extra traffic through the area. Currently very dangerous with no designated parking, narrow road, disabled bays, no enforcement for dangerous/inconsiderate parking that occurs, no active management of traffic, no traffic calming or crossing for pupil safety. Police say it is too dangerous for a crossing guard at council meeting. Residents blocked in, can't see to pull out. No street lighting.	Currently it is very unsafe outside the school for crossing/events due to rural location and lack of safety measures, the road is not currently big enough to cope with the school, disabled parking bays opp the school entrance means there are always parked cars where children cross. It is an accident waiting to happen and there is insufficient visibility for drivers, inadequate parking. Lack of police enforcement in dangerous parking of parents, the school won't put anyone outside the gates. E	Road Safety, Crossing, Traffic, Parking
Econsult	Governor	Yes	Flax is an outstanding school and a real asset to the village. It is important the school grows to serve the growing population of young families and to ensure its longer term viability.	I would like to see a number of traffic calming measures introduced outside the school as a condition of any planning consent, including a 20mph zone all the way along Station Road between its junction with Clevedon Road and its junction with the A370.	Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Road Safety, Traffic

Paper Copy	Member of the Community	Yes	It is a good school - the proposals should provide greater opportunity for more children, provided standards are maintained. Traffic could be a problem however!!		Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Is there an option to increase the turn around time at school drop off? AM is worse than PM- School are trialing options for dropping off instead of parking and waiting and staggering start times. This is receiving positive feedback.	Traffic, Parking
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		School crossing options - what is the process for getting this with the parish council / NSC?	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Narrowing of road looks like it is in the wrong place.	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Training children, the dangers of driveways as well as roads. (not just school, but youth club too)	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Road calming	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Crossing on a blind spot	Traffic

Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Promote more walk to school	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Traffic calming bridge side? - can't see will have an impact.	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		20mph zone not just school time	Road Safety, Traffic
Stakeholder Meeting	Governor	Not Stated		Look at tightening the radius on the corner, aprox 4m to stop someone being able to park. Makes more effective (see drawing)	Road Safety, Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Are zig zags an option?	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		What's the difference of school zone markings on the road?	Traffic
Consultation Meeting	Member of the Community	Not Stated		Is there something that can be applied for school times only?	Road Safety, Traffic
Paper Copy	Parent / Member of Community	Yes	I think there is clearly a local need, the LA schools are huge already. I think it's fantastic for the school and the local community	My concern is definatley regarding station road. Itis extreemly busy rush hour road. Also people do not travel 30 mph and people park inconsiderately. We linve on the main road, but have a gate that opens on station road. I would not let	Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Road Safety,

				my 10 year old son walk alone due to the danger of the road. Thought - Would making station road one way be helpful? Also street lighting, so there can be a crossing and speed bumps.	Crossing, Traffic
Econsult	Teacher	Yes	It will ensure the school is able to provide places for local children in an excellent educational setting.	We are mindful of parent and local concerns regarding the increase in traffic and the safety of pupils and we will continue to seek support from highways to address this key issue.	Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Traffic
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	It is good for the community... the only challenge is the heavy and fast traffic on station road.		Asset/Positive Impact to the community, Traffic
Econsult	Parent/Carer	Yes	It is clearly needed due to demand in the area. In addition I believe the education would be better in a class that is all the same year, and it would be socially better for the children to have a larger pool of potential friends.	we would love to cycle to school but currently the only possible route from our house to school is the B3130, a very busy narrow road.	Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Traffic

Econsult	Member of the community	Yes	The expanding population needs access to this excellent school	Traffic flow and parking are serious concerns. Access to the school is increasingly restricted and increasing numbers of pupils will only exacerbate the situation including overflows into nearby residential streets. The current designated crossing point of Station Road is potentially a blind spot and the speed limit is not rigorously followed. Is it not possible to create a drop off/ parking area between school and railway on current open space?	Supportive of Local Schools for Local Children, Road Safety, Crossing, Traffic, Parking
Econsult	Other - Clerk to FB	Yes	The Parish Council is very supportive of the enlargement of the school to 210 places from 1 September 2018. However, it wishes to request that during the planning process North Somerset Council ensures that concerns raised by immediately neighbouring residents regarding traffic flow and parking be fully considered.		Traffic, Parking
Paper Copy	Member of the community	Yes	I am totally in favour of this proposal as long as the present standard of the school is maintained and the extra cars generated are properly controlled to ensure the safety of the children. I have lived here for 7 years and in my		Road Safety, Traffic

			experience the most dangerous drivers are parents!		
HT discussion	KS1 Pupil	Not Stated	I would like more people to make more friends		Exciting / More Friends
HT discussion	KS1 Pupil	Not Stated	At lunch and at worship there won't be enough space		Build design, Not enough space
HT discussion	KS1 Pupil	Not Stated	It works well when the classes come in at different times for lunch		
HT discussion	KS1 Pupil	Not Stated	We could build where the tpee is		Build Design
HT discussion	KS1 Pupil	Not Stated	It would be exciting to see a new classroom		Exciting / More Friends
HT discussion	KS1 Pupil	Not Stated	It would be fun to have a new classroom		Exciting / More Friends
HT discussion	KS2 Pupil	Not Stated	It will be easier for learning to be all from one year group	It might take away some of our playing field	Less play space
HT discussion	KS2 Pupil	Not Stated	It will be better as it will give us more friends to play with	If there are less levels in learning then teachers don't need to prepare so many different activities for each Maths lesson. People who are friends with other year groups might not play as much with each other, but they might get new friends.	Exciting / More Friends
HT discussion	KS2 Pupil	Not Stated	If it's really wet we don't have enough tarmac space to play if yhere are more kids.		Not enough space