

**Bracknell Forest Council  
Record of Decision**

<b>Work Programme Reference</b>	<b>I070591</b>
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1. **TITLE:** Formal consultation on the Amalgamation of College Town Infant & Nursery and College Town Junior Schools

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Children, Young People and Learning

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

For the Executive Member to agree the proposal to amalgamate College Town Infant & Nursery and College Town Junior Schools into a new Primary School with effect from 1 September 2018 to be put to a formal consultation.

4. **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning

6. **DECISION:**

That the Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning:

1. noted the outcomes of the consultation.
2. That the possible amalgamation of College Town Infant & Nursery and Junior Schools should move to the next stage of representation (formal consultation).
3. That the Representation stage should be based on an amalgamation progressing, with the route to amalgamation being to extend the age range of the Infant & Nursery School and to close the Junior School.
4. Agreed that the Proposal attached as Annex 2 of the Director of Children, Young People & Learnings report.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

1. 74% of respondees to the consultation supported an amalgamation.
2. The most popular option was to close the Junior School and extend the age range of the Infant and Nursery School. Specific benefits of this approach were recognised by respondees in their comments.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Not to progress with amalgamation proposals, meaning that both current schools continue as separate organisations and the possible benefits are not realised.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Parents, children, staff, governors and the wider community

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Children, Young People &

Learning.

11. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None

<b>Date Decision Made</b>	<b>Final Day of Call-in Period</b>
24 November 2017	1 December 2017