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To All Stakeholders and Parents & Carers of Students in Years R-6 and Nursery

Formal Consultation on the Proposed Opening of an SLCN (Speech, Language and Communication Needs) Base on the Westfield Primary School Site for 19th February 2024

I am writing to inform you that Westfield Primary School is currently undergoing a six-week consultation period on the proposed Opening of a SLCN (Speech, Language and Communication Needs) Base for ten pupils aged Year R-6 on the Westfield Primary School Site for 19th February 2024. The consultation period is from Tuesday 10th October 2023 to Tuesday 21st November 2023 at midnight.

Westfield Primary School is a holistic and inclusive school that prepares all of its children well for life and secondary school. The resource base further develops Westfield Primary School as an inclusive school and aligns well with the vision of the Midsomer Norton Schools' Partnership (MNSP) and has the full support of the Bath & North East Somerset (B&NES) Special Education Needs and Disability (SEND) service.

The resource base will mean that students with SLCN will be able to access mainstream education where they receive a meaningful and personalised education while at the same time integrating within a mainstream setting. They will be taught by specialist staff who support children to learn in a non-threatening environment so that they can flourish and grow. The SLCN base will allow us to access the funding, expertise and an environment in which we can provide these children with the education that they deserve and help them be successful throughout their time in school.

The resource base will provide bespoke education for ten children at a time, for whom the local authority would have 'consulted' the school over regarding their admission into the school through the Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) process.

The resource base will be run from within the current building at Westfield Primary School, with specialist equipment provided where needed for specific needs. The school will be provided with start-up funding to make some minor alterations to some rooms to accommodate any specific need identified.

The Consultation will end at midnight on Tuesday 21st November 2023. Representations must be received by that time or cannot be considered. We welcome all comments and

representations and would like to invite any representations in writing, marked for the attention of the Governors by email to the clerk rconnor@westfieldprimary.com. We will respond in writing to those representations and will put anonymous copies of the representations and responses on the school website.

Yours sincerely



Mr Alun Williams
Chair of Governors



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