

Open Letter to the Communities of Saltney and Broughton

Flintshire County Council – Early Engagement on Educational Provision in the Area

We are writing to you as local elected representatives of Flintshire County Council in the Saltney and Broughton areas.

We want to show our support for this opportunity for everyone in our local communities to join in a conversation with the Council about how to best shape educational provision across the primary and secondary sector in the area and secure it for the future.

Giving our learners the best opportunity to achieve their potential by delivering first class teaching in 'state of the art' school environments is what we all want to achieve but there are challenges that need to be understood and potential solutions explored.

This Early Engagement document and questionnaire, developed in partnership by Council officers and the local headteachers, sets out the current educational offer in the Saltney and Broughton area and highlights some of the issues around which there needs to be an open and honest conversation.

Gathering the views of all members of the local community including current and future parents, children and young people, will help the Council develop a sustainable plan for education in the area and assist the Council with any future application for money from the Welsh Government's 'Sustainable Learning Communities' funding scheme.

This activity is not a formal consultation on school organisational change but an opportunity to gather the views of the local community on what is important to them when considering what they want from their local schools and how that influences their choices about which school to choose for their children.

We have met with the Leader of Flintshire County Council, Cllr Ian Roberts, and the Chief Officer for Education & Youth, Mrs Claire Homard, to discuss this' early engagement' activity and can assure you that no particular option has already been chosen. We are all excited about the potential for significant investment in our area.

We hope you will take the time to read the document and complete the questionnaire online.

Yours sincerely

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