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Dear Sir/Madam

Pre Planning Consultation – Whiteley Temporary School.

Due to pressure on school places from within Whiteley, the Portsmouth and Winchester Diocese is proposing to establish a new Voluntary Aided (VA) primary school in Whiteley from September 2013. It is proposed that the VA primary school be set up as a permanent school with a capacity of 210 places. Initially it is intended that the school will be located in temporary accommodation on land owned by Hampshire County Council (see attached plan). The school will be designed with four classrooms, a hall and associated areas with the ability to expand by a further 3 temporary classrooms to provide 7class bases for 30 children should there be future local demand. The school will admit 30 pupils into Year R in September 2013 with some places for Year 1 pupils should there be a need. In the longer term the school will be moved to a permanent site within the North Whiteley development.

In order to have the school operational for September 2013 we will need to submit a planning application by the end of December. This letter is to seek your views and comments ahead of the proposed planning application. In conjunction with this letter and prior to the planning application we are also proposing to hold a drop-in consultation session at *The Whiteley Community Centre* on the 10 December between the hours of 15:15 and 18:15, your attendance at this event would be most welcome.

Part of the process of developing this school involves the consideration of the impact of people and traffic movements to and from school and how this should be managed. Your views on this would be particularly welcome.

Subject to planning permission it is proposed that building works will commence on the site during early Spring with substantial completion by early July, some external works would not be complete until late August. You will be able to make representations on the planning application as part of the statutory planning process in the normal way. If you would like to comment on the proposals prior to planning please write to Richard Vaughan, Children's Services Department, The Castle, Winchester, Hampshire SO23 8UG or by e-mail to richard.vaughan@hants.gov.uk Please send responses by Monday 17th December

Yours faithfully

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