

# Appendix 8A Review of SEND residential

## Brompton Hall School

### Significant Changes Consultation July-Sept 2022

# Consultation Process

**Step 1:**  
**January sign-off for first statutory Section 27 (of the C&F Act) consultation on proposals:**

Consultation to start – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022  
Consultation to end – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022

**Step 3:**  
**Additional 4 weeks representation period for statutory proposals (School Organisation proposals Stage 2):**

Executive – 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022

Representation period to start- 28<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Representation period to end- 26<sup>th</sup> Oct

**Step 2:**  
**March / April sign-off for second consultation (School Organisation proposals Stage 1):**

Second consultation started – 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022  
Second consultation ended – 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022

**Step 4:**  
**Final approvals**

Executive–8th November 2022

# Background

- NYCC conducted a review of Residential use and future requirements
- NYCC has a duty to keep its SEND provision under review
- This review included both maintained residential provisions (Welburn Hall and Brompton Hall) and a review of independent residential school use
- The use of maintained residential provision in North Yorkshire has been in decline since 2017/18
- Residential placement is subject to specific criteria being satisfied:
  - A) Must have an assessed social care need or;
  - B) Must have an assessed educational need e.g. 24 hour waking curriculum
- Going forward the declining trend is expected to continue. See table below:

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
<b>Residential places</b>	38	35	29	23	18	11

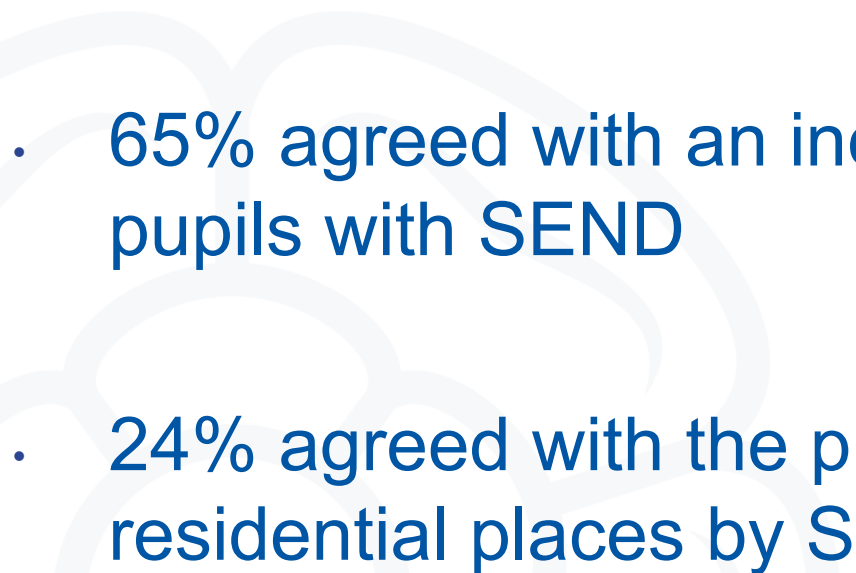
# Background and context

- The review of Brompton Hall examined closely all new cases placed residential at the school over the past 4 years. Whilst this identified the complex nature of the needs of young people being admitted there was minimal evidence of the requirement for a '24 hour curriculum'.
- Officers from Children and Families have been involved in ongoing discussions throughout this review and supported the examination of current placements.

## Other context

- The school was subject to an Ofsted inspection in June 2021. This followed a review by the LA as a result of serious safeguarding concerns and rated the **school as 'Inadequate'**.
- The school currently has an acting Headteacher and an IEB in place to provide leadership and governance.
- Under the direction of the Regional Schools Commissioner the school will be converting to an Academy with a preferred Trust now undertaking their due diligence processes.
- Any interested Trust will need clarity on the LA's commissioning intentions in the medium and long term
- Brompton School only provides for boys which leaves both a provision gap for girls and presents potential equality issues
- Residential places reducing is accelerating rapidly

# First Consultation Period Feedback

- 65% agreed that admitting girls will have a significant benefit for more young people with SEMH
  - 65% agreed with an increase in day places for pupils with SEND
  - 24% agreed with the proposal to phase out residential places by Sept 2024
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# What are we consulting on?

Proposal to change the designation of Brompton Hall School from single-sex, boys, to co-educational no sooner than Sept 2023 and

Phase out residential provision, enabling the increase of day / extended day places by Sept 2024.

## This is the recommended option for the following reasons:

- Allowing residential provision to continue in light of known declining demand threatens the viability of the current provision regardless of any planned intervention by the LA
- This option would ensure that the reduction and ceasing of residential provision would be carried out within the context of clear transition planning for individuals affected
- Proposal to change to Co-Ed was supported with 65% in agreement
- Continue to see excess demand for Day and Extended day places meaning more families are not able to access the provision
- Children and Families practice model seeks to support children and young people in family settings whenever possible
- Ceasing residential provision would enable the LA and school to work together on two significant day provision issues:
  - The LA's intention would be to support the school to increase the number of day places available and support up to 21 more young people.
  - This would also provide the opportunity for the school to make provision for girls who currently have no maintained SEMH specialist provision.

# Proposal

## Residential placements would be phased out, ceasing completely by September 2024.

- ❑ Annual review process will continue to be a key point for reviewing the need for residential provision
- ❑ Young people currently in Year 9 – 11 would continue to be able to access residential provision, if needed, until the end of year 11.
- ❑ Young people currently in Year 7 and 8
  - ❑ an individual plan will be agreed, taking into account the views of the young person, their family and professionals.

Options **may** include –

- ❑ transition to an extended day placement at Brompton Hall;
- ❑ transition to a day placement in a special school closer to home or at Brompton Hall;
- ❑ transition to an alternative residential placement **where there is a professionally assessed need for this provision**



# Proposal cont.....

## Change the designation of the school to Co-Educational:

- Although supported, we heard that there is some concern with how this will be done and managed. We have considered this and provided more details below.

## How will this be done and when?

When: No sooner than Sept 2023

How:

- A suitable cohort will be identified and peer group
- We will set a suitable date to allocate places with the school
- We will work with the cohort identified to ensure they understand the change and support transition
- We will support school staff to prepare the current pupils

## **Consultation opened 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022**

### **You can:**

Attend further information session online and ask questions and comment on the proposals

Visit the website and complete the survey online

Complete a paper copy of the survey.

All information is available at:

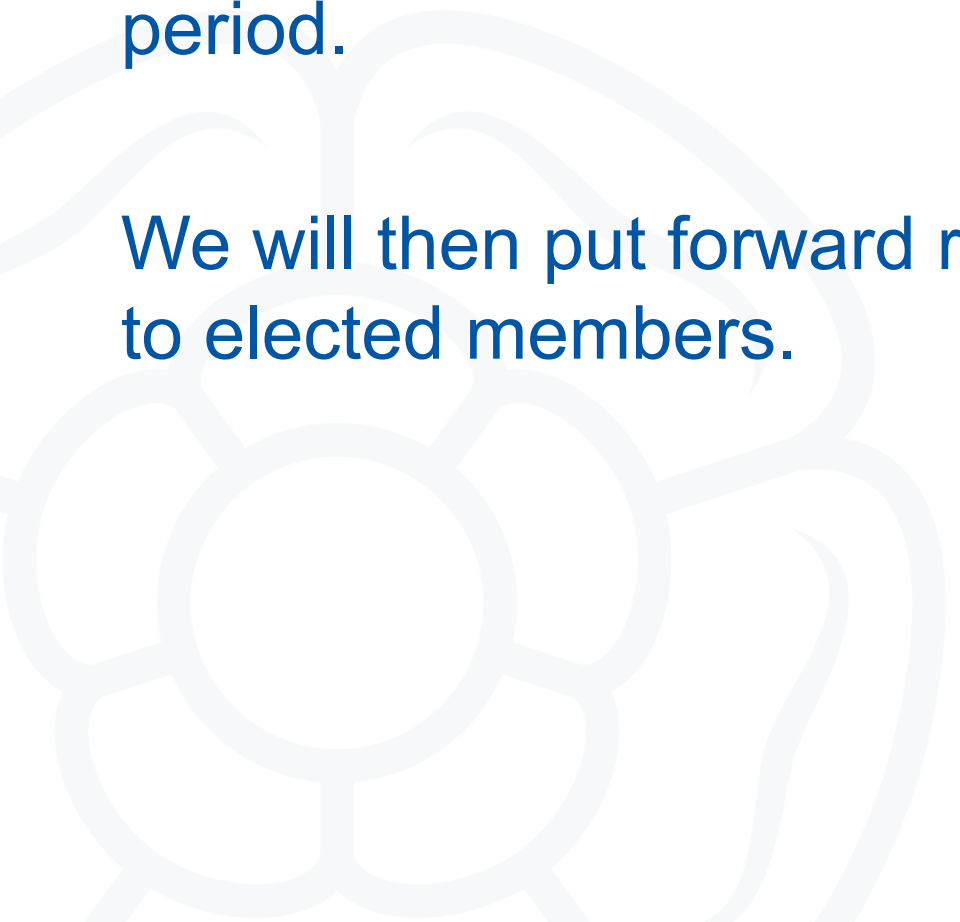
**<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/brompton-hall-statutory-consultation>**

## **Consultation ends 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022**

# What happens next?

Once the consultation has closed we will give full consideration to the views which have been shared through the consultation period.

We will then put forward recommendations to elected members.



# Questions and comments

