

Appendix G

Merger of Fraserburgh North & St Andrews Fraserburgh Academy Pupil Engagement

The Fraserburgh Academy pupils participated in the consultation regarding the merger of Fraserburgh North and St Andrews Schools into one school at the Fraserburgh Academy site. In total, 23 collective and 12 individual responses were received. The collective responses were from class discussions and many comments were repeated across the classes. Pupils' views and comments are presented below.

Q1. Do you think that Fraserburgh North and St Andrews should join together?

The vast majority of the Fraserburgh Academy pupils are of the opinion that Fraserburgh North and St Andrews should not merge together.

Q2. If it is decided to build a new Primary School on the Academy site, is there anything that excites you about it?

The majority of the pupils think that there is nothing exciting about the merger. The comments fell into the following themes:

- seeing siblings, family, friends
- meeting new people
- easier collection of younger siblings
- easier transition going to the academy
- construction site

Q3. If it is decided to build a new Primary School on the Academy site, is there anything that worries you about it?

Some pupils are not concerned about building a new primary school at the Academy site. The comments fell into the following themes:

- primary pupils' exposition to bullying and academy pupils' behaviour
- smoking, drugs and vaping
- secondary pupils' misbehaviour at the primary school and construction site
- primary pupils' immaturity
- separation between primary and secondary
- noise at the playground and during exams
- interactions between primary and secondary children
- insufficient space
- overcrowding
- school day times differentiation
- traffic and congestion
- carpark
- merger issues
- primary school size
- class sizes
- reduction in Academy's space

- increased travel distance

Q4. Is there anything that you think the Council should consider prior to making the final decision on this proposal?

The comments fell into the following themes:

- co-location issues
- primary and secondary pupils' separation
- bullying
- merger issues
- schools day times
- pupils safety
- noise
- overcrowding
- traffic and congestion
- carpark
- site location
- facilities
- cost
- access
- litter
- transition