



HAILSHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMY TRUST

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Expansion Consultation

To students, parents/carers, staff, governors, and stakeholders

The Governing Board of Hailsham Community College is proposing to expand the College from 1620 to 1920 (420 of these pupils are primary age and taught at the Park Road site), plus 240 post 16 pupils. This will increase the planned admission number (PAN) at the secondary phase from 240 spaces to 300 spaces per year group.

Why do we need to expand Hailsham Community College?

East Sussex County Council (ESCC) would like to expand Hailsham Community College to provide more places for local children and young people. Demand for school places in the area the college serves has increased in recent years, and is likely to continue, as a result of new housing developments. ESCC has a statutory duty to ensure there are enough school places and is therefore proposing to expand Hailsham Community College to create additional capacity. If the proposal goes ahead additional accommodation would be provided to enable the college to expand.

Hailsham Community College has become more popular in recent years and Year 7 intake has been oversubscribed. The current PAN of 240 provides limited scope to meet parental preference in the future, and students that live in the town are finding that they need to travel further afield for secondary education.

Are there site plans to show how the college would be expanded?

A planning application has been submitted detailing the construction of an additional 3 storey block to replace a current single storey facility.

Expansion plans are subject to planning permission and are due to be presented to the planning committee in November. A consultation event took place at the college in July and all stakeholders, including local residents, were given the opportunity to view the plans, ask questions and make comments.

This enabled the design team to take into consideration everyone's views before the planning application was submitted.

How would the college deal with any possible increase in traffic and congestion?

A traffic and parking assessment has been undertaken and shared with staff, parents/carers and the local community at the pre-planning consultation event mentioned above. The college's travel plan has been updated and will be utilised by the college to encourage families to find alternative ways of travelling to school in order to reduce the number of car journeys in conjunction with additional access to the site.

This consultation deals specifically with the principle of expanding the college to provide more places for local children and young people. This is separate to the pre-planning consultation with the local residents and other stakeholders, around the development of the proposed building works as part of

the usual planning application procedures. Comments made at that stage will form part of the decision making process for the planning committee.

Would the college need to close during building work?

No. The building works would be planned carefully, and contractors would work with the college to ensure that works are scheduled to keep disruption to a minimum. The building site would be a secure area to ensure the health and safety of the children, young people, staff, parents/carers, and visitors to the college.

How many children would be at the college once it is expanded?

It is intended that Hailsham Community College would grow gradually, with 60 additional Year 7 places offered each year until it reaches its new capacity.

The following table illustrates how the number of places at the school might grow:

Academic Year	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
Year 7 PAN	240	300	300	300	300	300
Total No year R to 11 places	1620	1680	1740	1800	1860	1920
Total No of 16+ Places	240	240	240	240	240	240

How can I give my views?

The consultation period runs until Friday 13th November. You can give your views by:

- Completing the online survey by following this link: [HCC Expansion Consultation](#)
- Emailing Hailsham Community College at reply@hccat.net
- Printing the attached consultation document and returning a paper copy of the response form to the College for the attention of Mrs Susan Wilkinson.

All comments must be received by Friday 13th November or they cannot be considered.

If you would like a paper copy of the consultation document please contact Susan Wilkinson on 01323 841468 or email reply@hccat.net with your name and address.

What happens next?

Following this consultation, a report setting out the responses received on the proposal to expand Hailsham Community College will be submitted to the Governing Board of the College. The Governors will then consider these responses in respect to the proposed expansion.

The College will then need to apply for a significant change to Academy to the Secretary of State for Education for permission for the proposed expansion

The proposed expansion would be dependent upon planning permission being granted for the building works to the college premises as outlined above.

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Response form

Our proposal is to enlarge Hailsham Community College from 1620 places to 1920 places, increasing the published admission number (PAN) from 240 to 300 with effect from 1 September 2022.

The Governing Board of Hailsham Community College would welcome your views on the proposal. Please complete this response form by Friday 13th November 2020. If you are completing a paper copy, please send the form to:

Mrs Susan Wilkinson, Hailsham Community College, Battle Road, Hailsham, BN27 1DT

Do you support the proposal to expand Hailsham Community College to provide more places for local children and young people?

Yes

No

Undecided

Please provide any comments below:

Which of the following best describes you?

Student at Hailsham Community College

Parent / carer of a young person at Hailsham Community College

Member of staff at Hailsham Community College

Governor at Hailsham Community College

Member of the local community

Other (please say)

About you...

We want to make sure that everyone is treated fairly and equally and that no one gets left out. That is why we ask you these questions. We will not share the information you give us with anyone else. We will only use it to help us make decisions and make our services better. If you would rather not answer any of these questions, you do not have to.

Q1. Are you.....?

Male Female Prefer not to say

Q2. How old are you?

Q3. What is your postcode?

Q4. Which of these ethnic backgrounds do you feel you belong to? (Your ethnic background is about lots of things like where your family comes from and the language you speak.)

White	Mixed	Asian or Asian British	Black or Black British
<input type="checkbox"/> British <input type="checkbox"/> Irish <input type="checkbox"/> Gypsy/Roma <input type="checkbox"/> Irish Traveller <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> White and Black Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black African <input type="checkbox"/> White and Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> African <input type="checkbox"/> Other
If your ethnic group is not described, please specify:	<input type="checkbox"/> Arab	<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say

Q5. Would you say that you have a disability? (A disability is if you have a problem or illness to do with your mind or body and it makes it hard for you to do everyday things.)

- Yes
 No
 Prefer not to say

Q6. If you answered yes to Q5, please tell us what problems you face. You may have more than one type, so please select all that apply. If none of these apply to you please select other and give brief details.

- A disability to do with your body (like problems walking, moving, getting around...)
- Problems with hearing or seeing
- Having a bad illness for a long time (like cancer, epilepsy, HIV or another serious sickness)
- Mental health problems
- Learning difficulties
- I do not want to say

Something else, please specify

Q7. Do you regard yourself as belonging to any particular religion or belief?

- Yes
 No
 Prefer not to say

Q8. If you answered yes to Q7 which one?

- Christian
- Hindu
- Muslim
- Buddhist
- Jewish
- Sikh

Any other religion, please specify

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Thank you for providing this information