

New Build Extension  
**CONSULTATION  
REPORT**

December 2018



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# INTRODUCTION

## ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Birkenhead Sixth Form College is widely recognised for its pioneering work in social mobility. We are winners of the 2018 TES Sixth Form College of the Year, the 2018 Educate North Sixth Form of the Year and the 2018 SFCA Social Mobility Award winners. Furthermore, the College is an AOC Beacon Commended College and has been shortlisted for the AOC 2019 Award for Social Mobility and Widening Participation.

Situated in the heart of the village of Claughton in Wirral and overlooking the iconic Birkenhead Park, the Ofsted Outstanding College specialises in A Level and BTEC education for 1400 students across the two sixth form years, which represents nearly a quarter of the 16-18 age group in Wirral.

Although the College has a wide catchment area, the majority of students come from socio-economically disadvantaged areas, some ranking in the 1% most deprived in the country. Despite this and despite GCSE entry scores being among the lowest amongst sixth form colleges in England, Birkenhead Sixth Form College's students achieve more from their starting points than any other Wirral sixth form according to official government performance tables. Results are also in the top 10% nationally for student progress, and 87% of all students go onto university when they finish - the vast majority being the first generation in their families to do so.

Social mobility is at the core of the College's ethos, and the College values instil the scientifically proven notion that everyone can fulfil their potential with purposeful hard work and resilience, no matter their starting points or background.





## NEW BUILDING EXPANSION PLANS

The College's outstanding academic performance and strong reputation within the community has led to an increase in student numbers over the last few years, and it is now operating at maximum capacity in the respect of teaching and learning space. Applications to join the College had to be closed months before the August enrolment dates for the last two years, which disproportionately affects the most disadvantaged students and goes against the inclusive ethos for which the College stands.

In July 2018, the College successfully applied for planning permission to build a new nine classroom block to provide extra space to accommodate the increasing student numbers and expand capacity from 1400 to 1600.

## PUBLIC CONSULTATION

In July 2018, the College opened a consultation process to seek the views of the local community on our proposed expansion. It began by initially canvassing local councillors for their views.

In October 2018, following the grant of planning permission, the College commissioned a public consultation on the proposed new building.

As part of the consultation, a range of activities was undertaken during November and December 2018. These activities included a public consultation meeting at the College on Friday 23rd November 2018.

The purpose of the activities has been to engage with as wide a cross-section of the community as possible and capture their views on the proposed expansion of the College. The College also supported the consultation by notifying its community of the engagement activities through a range of communication channels and media.

# KEY ACTIVITIES

A wide range of activity has taken place to inform and engage key stakeholders in the local community. The College sought feedback through a mix of online, email and print communications as well as inviting stakeholders to a public consultation meeting on Friday 23rd November 2018.

## POLITICAL SUPPORT

### LOCAL MP FRANK FIELD

The College has an ongoing dialogue with Frank Field, MP for Birkenhead, who has shown support for the consultation online.



*Frank Field meets College students, December 2018*

Facebook:



The 'Frank Field's Birkenhead Community News' account shared our Facebook post to their audience of over 3,000 users.

### CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

In June 2018, the College wrote to the Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP, Secretary of State for Education. The response of 3 July 2018 (Appendix A) congratulated the College's clearly well deserved recognition as the TES Sixth Form College of the Year and in making such a positive contribution to social mobility. It then suggested that the College apply for funding via the next Condition Improvement Fund (CIF) round for an expansion project.

## LOCAL COUNCILLORS

The College invited local councillors to a breakfast meeting in May 2018 to explain the demand for places at the College. In July 2018, the College contacted all 66 local councillors by email seeking their support for the College's expansion plans and the proposed new nine classroom teaching block. There was support across the political spectrum and a selection of the councillors' responses are set out below:

**“I can assure you of my full support for the College”** - *Cllr Chris Carubias, Eastham Ward Parliamentary Candidate, Wirral South, Liberal Democrats*

**“The need for expansion has been made at the last two breakfast briefings I have attended... I am delighted the College is doing so well”** - *Cllr Ian Lewis, Conservative Councillor for Wallasey Ward*

**“Happy to support the College's expansion plans”** - *Cllr Wendy Clements, Greasby, Frankby and Irby Ward, Conservative*

**“Good luck with applying for the funding. It is a fantastic sixth form and does wonders for the prospects of young people”** - *Cllr Tom Usher, Liscard Ward, Labour*



# GENERATING AWARENESS

The College used established social media accounts and the College website to inform the community about the expansion plans, extend an invitation to the public consultation meeting and invite feedback.

## COLLEGE WEBSITE

The screenshot shows the homepage of The Sixth Form College Birkenhead. At the top left is the college logo. To its right is a green 'Apply Now' button, followed by social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Further right is a search bar and a blue 'Contact Us' button. On the far right is an Ofsted 'Outstanding' badge for 2016/2017. Below the header is a dark blue navigation bar with links: ABOUT US, COURSES, PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS, ADULT LEARNING, INFORMATION, NEWS, BLOG, and VACANCIES.

The main content area features a large banner with a 3D architectural rendering of a modern classroom block. The banner includes the text 'PROPOSAL TO BUILD NEW CLASSROOM BLOCK' and 'PUBLIC CONSULTATION'. A circular inset on the left shows a site plan. At the bottom of the banner is a call-to-action: 'CLICK HERE FOR MORE DETAIL AND TO GIVE FEEDBACK'. Below the banner is a 'Course Finder' section with a search box and a photo of a smiling student reading a book.

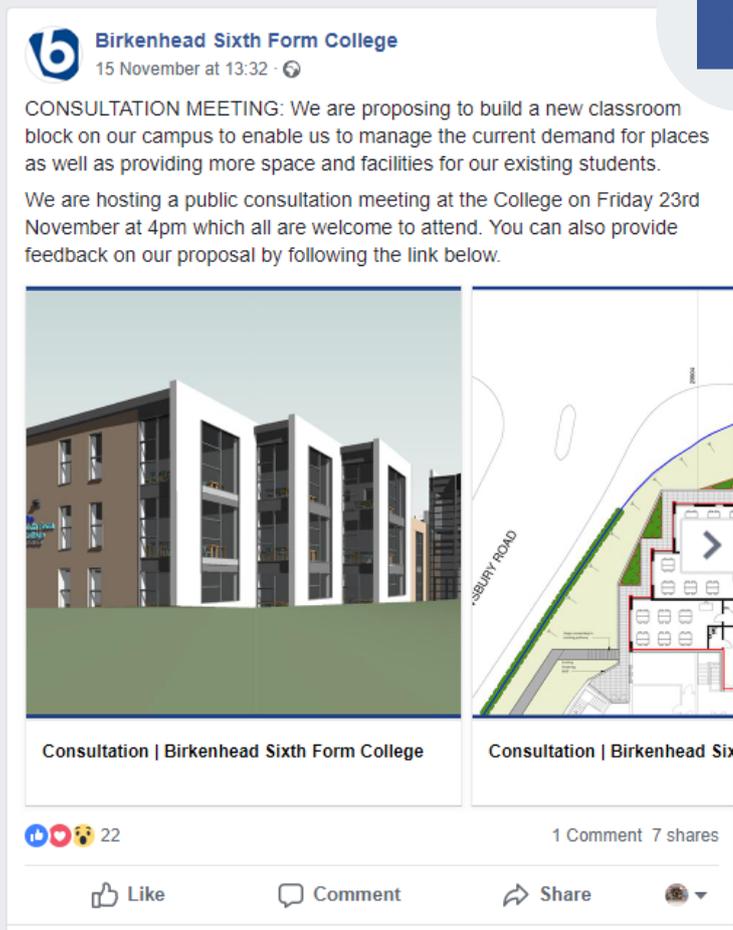
Below the banner is a secondary navigation bar with the same menu items as the top bar. Below this is a blue box with the text 'CONSULTATION ON PROPOSAL FOR NEW CLASSROOM BLOCK'. This is followed by a text block: 'Birkenhead Sixth Form College is an oversubscribed sixth form college with an outstanding Ofsted rating. It is nationally recognised as the 2018 TES College of the Year; and has received the highest accolades for driving social mobility including the 2018 SFCA and AOC Beacon Commended College status.' Below this is a section titled 'THE REASON FOR THE PROPOSAL' which states: 'A new classroom block is proposed to accommodate the existing student body and those students who have been unable to secure places as the College has been at full capacity in recent years. The proposed nine classroom block plus supporting accommodation will be integrated into the existing main building on the current site. It will enable the College to manage the current demand for places as well as providing more space and facilities for our existing students.' At the bottom of this section is another 3D architectural rendering of the proposed classroom block.

The banner on the homepage of the College website linked through to a page dedicated to full details of the new build extension.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

The College’s social media platforms were used to communicate the new build extension and linked through to the College website for further details.

Facebook:



The Facebook post reached over 2,000 users - including 78 link clicks, 22 reactions and 8 shares.

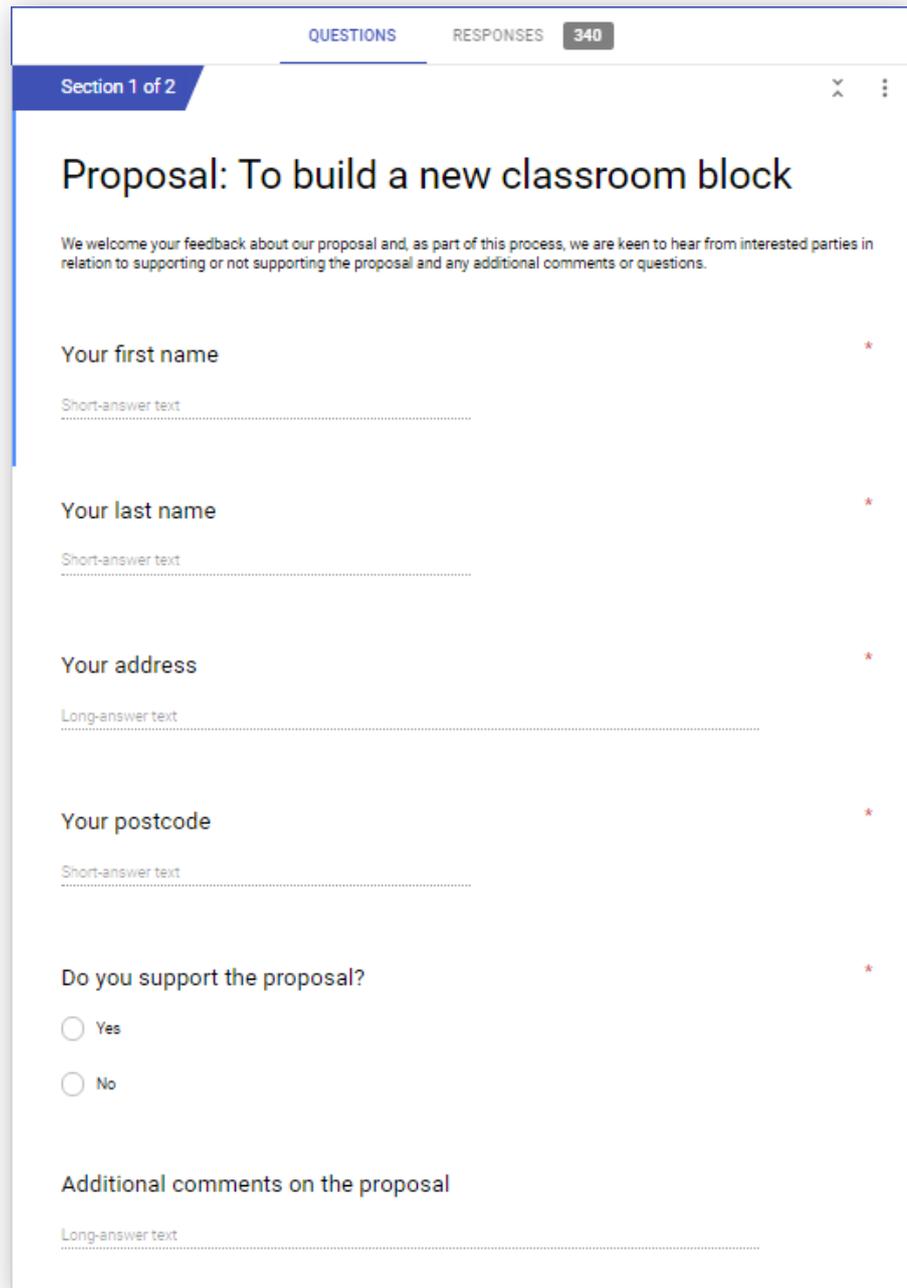
Twitter:



Twitter reached over 600 users with 17 link clicks.

## Feedback Survey

Communications linked through to a Google Form that was embedded on the College website's dedicated Consultation page. This gave the community the opportunity to give feedback on the proposals. The College received over 340 responses.



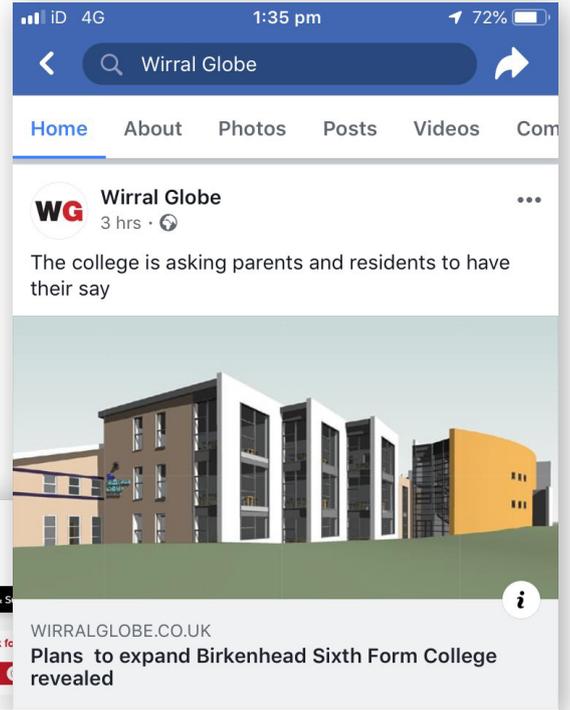
The image shows a screenshot of a Google Form titled "Proposal: To build a new classroom block". The form is displayed in a window with a blue header bar containing "Section 1 of 2" and navigation icons. At the top right, there are tabs for "QUESTIONS" and "RESPONSES" with a count of "340". The main content area has a title "Proposal: To build a new classroom block" and an introductory paragraph: "We welcome your feedback about our proposal and, as part of this process, we are keen to hear from interested parties in relation to supporting or not supporting the proposal and any additional comments or questions." The form contains several required fields, each marked with a red asterisk: "Your first name" (Short-answer text), "Your last name" (Short-answer text), "Your address" (Long-answer text), "Your postcode" (Short-answer text), and "Do you support the proposal?" (Radio buttons for Yes and No). The final field is "Additional comments on the proposal" (Long-answer text).

# LOCAL MEDIA

## Wirral Globe

The College produced a press release for the local newspaper that serves the Wirral population of 320,000 people. This was published in the Wirral Globe's online edition and shared to their social media audience on Facebook of over 29,000 users.

The press release is attached as Appendix B.



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**News**  
19th November

### Plans revealed to expand Birkenhead Sixth Form College

By Lauren Jones  
Multimedia Reporter

A design proposal to expand Birkenhead Sixth Form College

Named as the 2018 UK Sixth Form College of the Year at the TES awards, Birkenhead Sixth Form College say that over the last two years they have had to 'turn away' students after reaching limits of physical capacity.

The college is now hoping to receive a cash boost from Government to fund a new block of nine classrooms - the new building will lift the college's admissions cap so that more students can study there.

Principal Mike Kilbride, said: "We had to turn away a large number of students this year and this does not sit easily with our strong commitment to social mobility. "We believe all young people can achieve, no matter what their starting points, and we are proud to be an OFSTED outstanding rated college with A Level outcomes placing us at the top of the Wirral performance tables.

"Giving young people the skills they need to succeed in the future workplace is a huge challenge for our region and we are very well positioned to rise to this challenge.

"Our applications this year are already up significantly on last year and in alignment with our values, we want to give the opportunity of a specialist sixth form education to as many of these young people as possible."

The college is now inviting parents and residents to a public meeting on Friday, November 23 at 4pm to hear more about the plans.

For more information about the public meeting visit [www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation](http://www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation)

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 7 Indian restaurant owner's apology after shameful hygiene inspection  
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 9 Police hunt teen wanted on recall to prison

## Liverpool Echo

Merseyside's daily newspaper picked up on the College's expansion plans and included them in article titled: "Revealed: Nine exciting plans in the pipeline for Wirral".

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### 4. Big extension for one of UK's top sixth form colleges



The extension to Birkenhead Sixth Form College. Credit: Ainsley Gommon Architects

Plans for an extension that will add an entire new teaching block and outside recreational space have been approved by the council for one of the country's top colleges.

The new block will link to an existing corner of Birkenhead Sixth Form College, and contain nine new classrooms as well as storage, staff spaces and a social area for students.

Rated as 'outstanding' by Ofsted and awarded Sixth Form College of the Year at the TES Awards in February, the planning statement said it was now seen as a "must go to" by students and parents. It's now subject to "major oversubscribing" to nearly all of its courses.

A planning statement said: "The college needs more teaching space to accommodate the existing number of students and to accommodate additional increasing need.

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Driver in crash near primary school held by police

"The college has also been in dialogue with local councillors to open up the site. These new facilities are in line with the discussions held with the councillors and will meet the college's current needs spatially."

**Capital Radio**

The College expansion plans were included on Capital Wirral’s news radio broadcast on 15th November 2018.



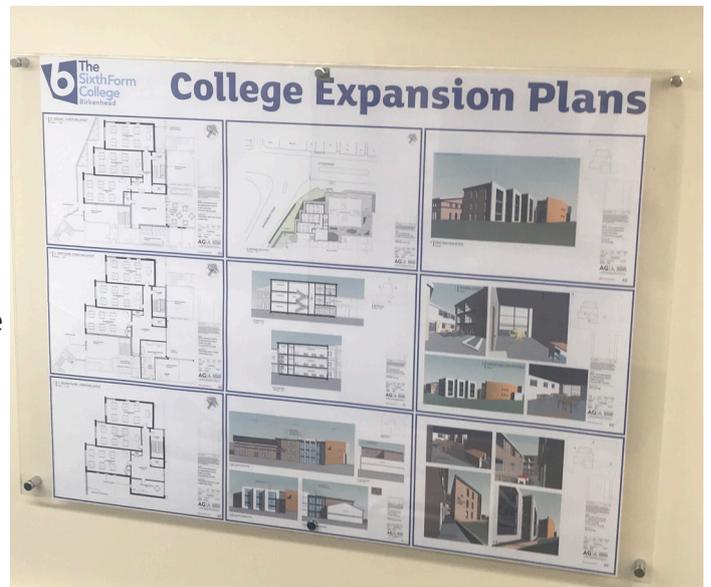
**Posters in Local Shops & Businesses**

The poster advertising the College’s Consultation Evening was displayed in local supermarkets and independent businesses. It was also displayed internally around the College.



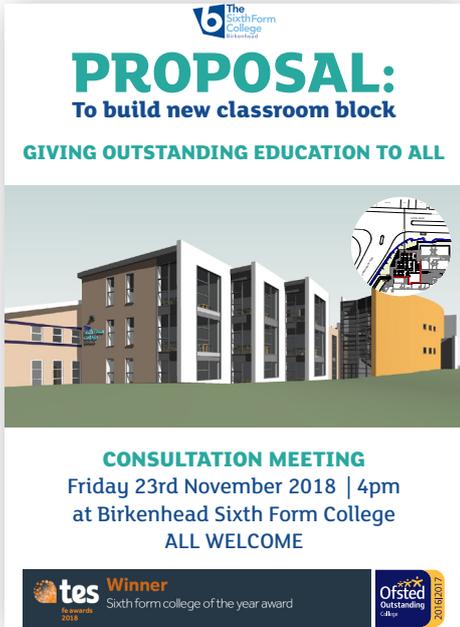
**Open Evenings**

Over 800 prospective students and their parents visited the College for open events in October & November where Consultation displays were visible around the campus.



**Internal Communications**

As well as posters around the campus, the College designed a dedicated consultation roller banner that was displayed in a prominent position in reception alongside leaflets outlining the plans.



Leaflet:

oversubscribed sixth form college with nationally recognised as the 2018 TES the highest accolades for driving social AOC Beacon Commended College status.

accommodate the existing student body able to secure places as the College has proposed nine classroom block plus integrated into the existing main building college to manage the current demand for places as well as providing more space and facilities for our existing students.

**THE BENEFITS OF THE PROPOSAL**

- It allows the College to provide the best possible teaching and learning environment to its existing and future students with ancillary social space.
- It allows the College to remain an all-inclusive centre of excellence for an academic sixth form education on the basis of its existing admissions criteria.
- It allows the College to meet demand by keeping applications open throughout the academic year rather than closing early, which we have had to do in recent years thereby restricting access to an outstanding academic education in an inclusive mixed sixth-form environment.
- It allows the College to maximise flexibility and minimise over-crowding in terms of the teaching accommodation in circumstances where generally, we use all of our classrooms all of the time.
- It allows the College, which is situated in an area of economic deprivation, to offer an academic progression route to students from disadvantaged backgrounds.
- It allows the College to put additional supportive interventions in place to facilitate academic progression to higher education.



**PROPOSAL: Birkenhead Sixth Form College to build new classroom block**

We welcome your feedback about our proposal. As part of this consultation process, we are particularly keen to hear from interested parties in relation to the following:

1. Do you support the proposal?
2. Do you have any additional comments, questions or suggestions that you would like us to consider?

You can respond to the consultation in the following ways:

- By filling in the form below and returning it to: The Assistant Principal, Birkenhead Sixth Form College, Park Road West, Claughton, Wirral, CH43 85Q
- By filling in the form online which can be found at: [www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation](http://www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation)

The minimum period for consultation is one month. Our formal consultation period will begin on Friday 9th November 2018 and will finish on Friday 7th December 2018. We will publish our response to the consultation no later than Thursday 31st January 2019.

**Consultation response**  
Proposed building of a new classroom block by Birkenhead Sixth Form College.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

**DO YOU SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL?**  
Yes  No

**PLEASE INDICATE WHICH GROUP YOU REPRESENT**

Student	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parent	<input type="checkbox"/>
College staff	<input type="checkbox"/>
School or college	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Funding or other government agency	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local resident	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**





*"Just finished my two years at BSFC and what an incredible two years it's been! The teachers and tutors at the College are second to none and are so attentive and supportive of all students. A really wonderful and relaxed place to study that pushes you to be your best!"*

Elizabeth, former student

*"We wanted to say a big thank you for the last two years of quality education that our son received from the College. Joining the College gave him a sense of being understood, listened to and encouraged when needed. Being treated as an adult meant so much to him. For this we thank you very much."*

Ceri, parent

[www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation](http://www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation)

Birkenhead Sixth Form College, Park Road West, Claughton, Wirral, CH43 85Q




# STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Over 3815 individual stakeholders were contacted directly via email or letter to share details of the expansion plan and invite people to the public consultation meeting at the College.

## Emails

An email (Appendix C) was sent to the following parties, outlining the contents of the proposal and inviting recipients to a) complete the Google Form feedback and b) attend the public consultation meeting:

- 1398 Current Students
- 1220 Current Parents
- 450 Former Students
- 480 Former Parents
- 170 College Staff
- Steve Rotherham, Metro Mayor for Liverpool City Region
- Sue Talbot, Assistant Director for Education
- Merseyside Police
- MP for Birkenhead, Frank Field
- 66 Local Councillors
- 8 College Governors
- 28 Local Headteachers
- Community Action, Wirral
- Birkenhead Youth Club
- Pilgrim Street Arts Centre
- Wirral Multicultural Organisation
- The Hive
- HYPE, Merseyside
- Tomorrow's Women, Wirral
- Women's Enterprise Breakthrough
- Birkenhead Sea Scouts
- Paul Boyle, Corporate Director for Children's Services

## Letters

Letters were sent to the Regional Schools Commissioner, Vicky Beer (Appendix D) and all Wirral Secondary Headteachers (Appendix E).

## Breakfast Briefing Invitation to Local Employers

Invitations to a breakfast briefing on 29th November 2018 were sent to the following local business leaders:

- T Morris, Home Bargains & Bernadette
- Gary Devaney, Premier Guarantee Ltd
- Andrew Sampson, PharmaPac UK Ltd
- Mark Palios, Tranmere Rovers FC
- John Robinson, Scantec Personnel Ltd
- Tom McDonnell, Monterosa Productions Ltd
- Andrew Mills, Mills Media Ltd
- Christopher Shirling-Rooke, Merseyside Maritime Ltd
- Mark McManus, Stiebel Eltron Ltd
- Mr. A Hamid, The Contact Company

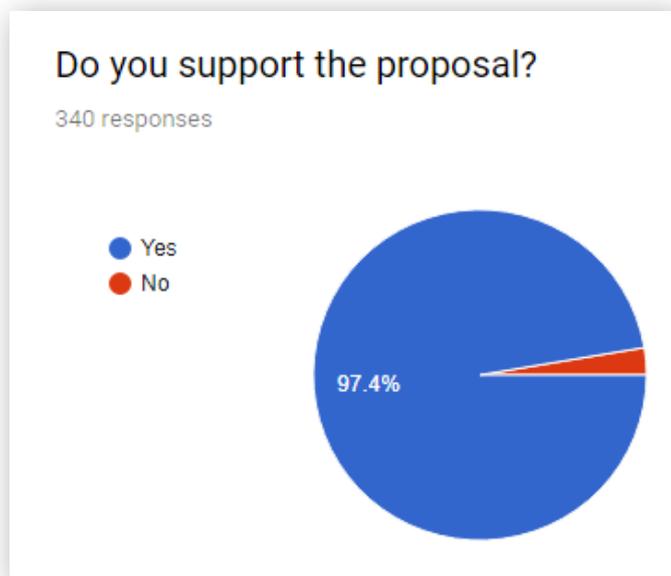
# FINDINGS

As a result of the engagement activity, feedback was collected through the online survey and public meeting.

## ONLINE FEEDBACK

340 people responded to the College's online feedback questionnaire. An overwhelming 97.4% of respondents said that they supported the College expansion plans. Responses came from a wide range of community stakeholders including students, parents, staff, employers and local residents.

### Question 1:

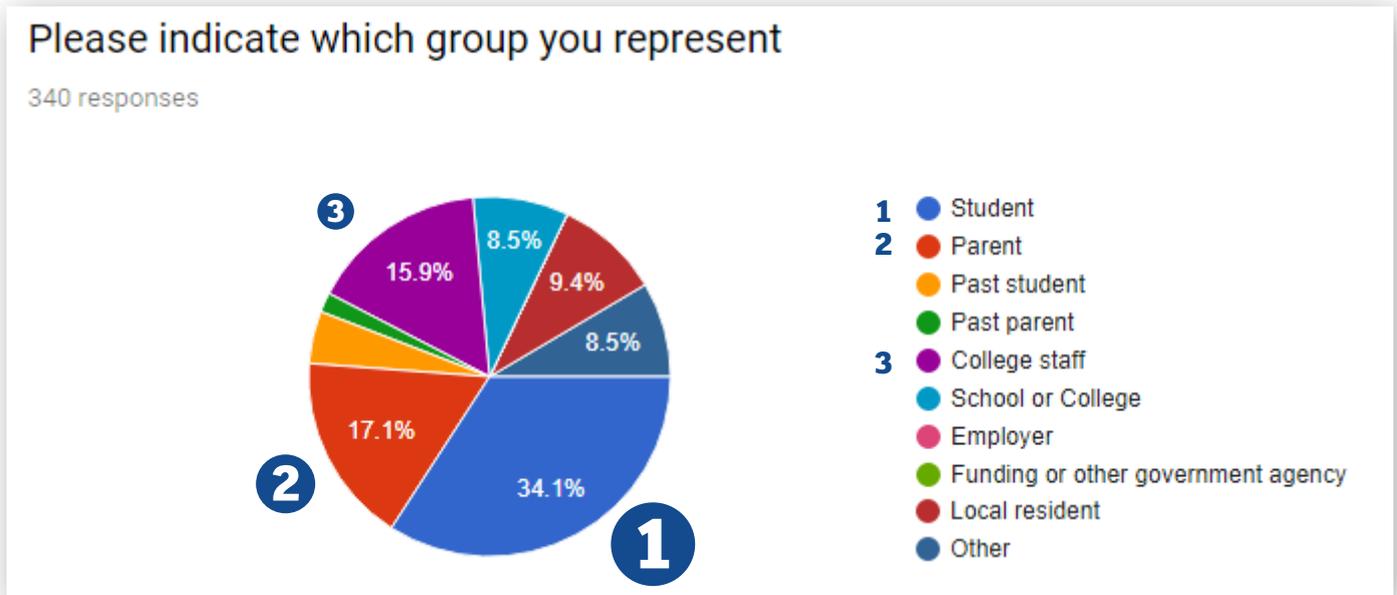


**An overwhelming 97.4% of respondents said they supported the College expansion plans.**

Of the tiny proportion of negative responses, four were from existing students of the College concerned that it is already at full capacity. Those students were invited to discuss the expansion proposals and reassured that these plans will reduce current capacity constraints and improve social space at the College.

Two were from parents of existing students concerned that building works may impact on their child's studies and they were reassured that the programme of works would be carefully managed to mitigate this.

**Question 2:**



**Q3: Please share any additional comments on the proposal**

93 respondents provided additional comments. Below is a selection of the qualitative feedback which was largely supportive in keeping with question 1. The full list of additional comments can be found in Appendix F.

**“The college is a great institution that is doing excellent work year upon year. It is fantastic that there is such a good college in this part of the Wirral, as it gives important opportunities to students from this quite deprived area. I would like to see more students be able to attend.”**

**Stakeholder: Current Parent**

**“As a local resident, past student and now a staff member, I fully support the proposal. The college gives outstanding opportunities to students and the building is also used by many local community groups.”**

**Stakeholder: Former Student**

**“I think that being able to offer places to more students on the Wirral, who are in need of an outstanding place to study, is a must. It will help to raise standards in education across our community.”**

**Stakeholder: Local Resident**

**“In my role as Head of Student Development I see the impact of the incredible work this college does with the young people of the Wirral on a daily basis. I also see the growing demand from the Liverpool area - where there is currently no comparable sixth form provision.”**

**Stakeholder: College Staff**

# PUBLIC MEETING

**Friday 23rd November 2018**

Members of the local community representing a broad range of stakeholder groups attended the public consultation meeting on Friday 23rd November (Appendix G). College Principal Mike Kilbride gave a presentation setting out the demand for places and why the College's educational ethos, including its approach to social mobility, means the expansion plans are a strategic priority. Assistant Principal Paula Blakemore then detailed plans for the proposed new build. The presentations are in Appendix H.



## Questions:

- A local headteacher asked if the College expansion would mean an increased provision of Level 2 programmes.
- A local resident asked how builders would access the site and whether deliveries would cause disruptions.
- A local resident also asked if the College's green spaces would be impacted by the building works.
- A College Governor wished to reassure the audience that governors had followed the progress of these plans and were very much in support of the proposals.

Mike Kilbride invited guests to raise any further concerns privately after the consultation or via email. The meeting minutes and the responses to the questions can be found in Appendix I.

# CONCLUSIONS

This has been an extensive consultation with a wide range of stakeholders and feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. These are our observations:

1

There is genuine, positive support for the expansion of the College across all parts of the local community.

2

Stakeholders recognised the value of the College in terms of its inclusive entry criteria and its importance in driving social mobility and widening participation in higher education (Appendix A).

3

The new build extension should be built in order for the College to expand and continue its pioneering work in social mobility.



# APPENDIX A

## Letter from Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP



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Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP  
Secretary of State

Sanctuary Buildings Great Smith Street Westminster London SW1P 3BT  
tel: 0370 000 2288 [www.education.gov.uk/help/contactus](http://www.education.gov.uk/help/contactus)

Mike Kilbride  
Principal, Birkenhead Sixth Form College  
Park Road West  
Claughton  
Wirral  
CH43 8SQ

03 JUL 2018

*Dear Mr. Kilbride,*

Thank you for your letter of 14 June, about additional funding to expand Birkenhead Sixth Form College. I was pleased to read of the college's achievements in exam results, the most recent Ofsted inspection and in making such a positive contribution to social mobility. May I also congratulate you on the college's clearly well deserved recognition as the 2018 TES Sixth Form College of the Year.

Given this level of achievement, I do appreciate the demand for places at Birkenhead Sixth Form College and your frustration at currently being unable to fully meet this demand. Despite the clear demand for places, it is not possible for monies from the Selective Schools Expansion Fund (SSEF) to be used to support any expansion project for the college. The SSEF was launched to support the creation of additional high quality places in fully selective or partially selective schools. It forms part of the Government's response to the Schools that Work for Everyone consultation.

You may wish to apply for funding via the next Condition Improvement Fund (CIF) round although, as you are aware, CIF expansion projects are over-subscribed so any potential project would need to be very well evidenced. In assessing CIF expansion applications, the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) would take into account Ofsted grading and performance, demand for places, whether there is shortage of capacity and the proportion of pupils from a disadvantaged background. Assessors also consider the evidence put forward on value for money and project planning.

The CIF is currently closed for applications, however, further guidance and information about the criteria used to assess bids for funding, is available at: [tinyurl.com/ha7a9ze](http://tinyurl.com/ha7a9ze). Arrangements for the 2019 to 2020 CIF round have not been finalised, however we expect to announce further details in autumn 2018.

I was grateful to receive your kind request to visit Birkenhead Sixth Form College. Whilst unfortunately diary pressures preclude such a visit in the immediate future, my officials would be happy to discuss your proposals together with the CIF criteria and application process if you feel this would be helpful. Please contact Michael Frain at: [Michael.Frain@education.gov.uk](mailto:Michael.Frain@education.gov.uk) to make arrangements.

Thank you for writing on this important matter.

*Yours  
Damian Hinds*

# APPENDIX B

## Press Release

### Starts

#### Sixth form college of the year seeks to expand



Birkenhead Sixth Form College has announced plans to increase its teaching and learning facilities to accommodate a large increase in demand for places.

The award-winning college, named the 2018 UK Sixth Form College of the Year at the TES awards, has had to turn away students over the last two years due to reaching the limits of its physical capacity. College leaders believe that without expanding their building, the impact will be disproportionate on those disadvantaged students who are most in need of an academic sixth form education.

Earlier this year, the College won the Sixth Form Colleges Association Social Mobility Award in recognition of their support for young people from all communities to give them the best chances in life, and has recently been commended by the Association of Colleges Beacon Award for Social Mobility.

To continue to build on their success in unlocking young people's potential, they are seeking government funding for a new block of nine classrooms. The college has capped admissions

to maintain their high quality of provision and the new building will allow the cap to be lifted and more students will be able to access an outstanding sixth form experience.

Principal at Birkenhead Sixth Form College, Mike Kilbride, said: “We had to turn away a large number of students this year and this does not sit easily with our strong commitment to social mobility. We believe all young people can achieve, no matter what their starting points, and we are proud to be an OFSTED outstanding rated college with A Level outcomes placing us at the top of the Wirral performance tables.”

Mike continued: “Giving young people the skills they need to succeed in the future workplace is a huge challenge for our region and we are very well positioned to rise to this challenge. Our applications this year are already up significantly on last year and in alignment with our values, we want to give the opportunity of a specialist sixth form education to as many of these young people as possible.”

The college is inviting parents, interested parties and local people to a public meeting on Friday 23rd November at 4pm to hear more about the plans.

For more information about the public meeting and to give feedback, please visit the college website at [www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation](http://www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation)

**Ends**

# APPENDIX C

## Emails

### To Parent/Carers

Dear Parents and carers,

#### Proposal to build a new classroom block

As you may be aware, Birkenhead Sixth Form College is seeking government funding to build a new classroom block on our existing campus. This will allow the College to offer the best possible accommodation to its existing students as well as meeting the demand for places from new students. The link to our proposal is here: <https://www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation> Please could you complete the response? (it takes less than a minute).

If you are interested in finding out more about this proposal, a meeting will be held at the College on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 4pm** to discuss the proposal. We would encourage you to attend if you would like to express your views or have any questions.

You can also share your views in writing by emailing [consultation@bsfc.ac.uk](mailto:consultation@bsfc.ac.uk) or by sending written submissions to me at the Birkenhead Sixth Form College, Park Road West, Claughton, Wirral, CH43 8SQ.

The closing date for representations to be made is Friday 10 December at 10 am. We will publish a full written response to the consultation by no later than 31 January 2019.

Thank you very much for supporting this consultation process.

Yours faithfully,

Paula Blakemore  
Assistant Principal

### To Local Businesses

Dear Sirs

#### Proposal to build a new classroom block

I am writing to you as you may be interested to know that the College is seeking government funding to build a new classroom block on our existing campus. The link to our proposal is here: <https://www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation> It takes only a minute to complete and we would very much value your support for our plans.

As I am sure you know, we are an award-winning, Ofsted outstanding institution; currently the TES 2018 Sixth Form College of the Year as well as the winner of the 2018 SFCA Social Mobility Award. We are also an AOC Beacon commended College in respect of our work in social mobility and widening participation.

We are keen to increase our capacity to offer an outstanding academic progression route to all students on the Wirral and Merseyside.

A public consultation meeting will be held at the College on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 4pm** to discuss the expansion proposal and you would be very welcome if you could attend.

You can also share your views in writing by emailing [consultation@bsfc.ac.uk](mailto:consultation@bsfc.ac.uk) or by sending written submissions to me.

The closing date for representations to be made is Friday 10 December at 10 am. We will publish a full written response to the consultation by no later than 31 January 2019.

Thank you very much for supporting this consultation process.

Yours Sincerely,

Paula Blakemore  
Assistant Principal

### To Past/Present Students

Dear students of BSFC (past and present),

You may be aware that the College is seeking government funding to build a new classroom block on our existing campus. This will allow the College to offer the best possible accommodation to its existing students as well as meeting the demand for places from new students. The link to our proposal is here: <https://www.bsfc.ac.uk/consultation> Please could you complete the response which takes less than a minute?

If you are interested in finding out more about this proposal, a meeting will be held at the College on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 4pm** to discuss the proposal. We would encourage you to attend if you would like to express your views or have any questions.

You can also share your views in writing by emailing [consultation@bsfc.ac.uk](mailto:consultation@bsfc.ac.uk) or by sending written submissions to me at the Birkenhead Sixth Form College, Park Road West, Claughton, Wirral, CH43 8SQ.

The closing date for representations to be made is Friday 10 December at 10 am. We will publish a full written response to the consultation by no later than 31 January 2019.

Thank you very much for supporting this consultation process.

Yours faithfully,

Paula Blakemore  
Assistant Principal

# APPENDIX D

## Letter to Regional Schools Commissioner



PARK ROAD WEST  
CLAUGHTON, WIRRAL  
CH43 8SQ

Telephone: 0151 652 5575  
email@bsfc.ac.uk  
www.bsfc.ac.uk

Principal: Mike Kilbride

13 November 2018

Mrs Vicky Beer  
Regional Schools Commissioner for Lancashire & West Yorkshire  
DfE  
Store Street  
Manchester  
M1 2WD

Dear Mrs Beer

I am writing to inform you and to seek your support for a CIF expansion bid that we are in the process of putting together. As an OFSTED outstanding rated institution and the current TES Sixth Form College of the Year, we feel we are in a strong position to take the opportunities that this process will give us. We are bolstered further in our belief by the 2018 SFCA award for Social Mobility and in our status as a AoC Beacon Commended College for our work in driving social mobility. Recognition for our impact on social mobility, perhaps more than any of our other many accolades, best represents what we truly stand for.

We position ourselves as an engine for social mobility and the evidence for this is overwhelming in our processes, outcomes and cohort. At the outset we set entry requirements that are substantially lower than all the local Grammar schools and most of the secondary schools. We do not do this as a recruitment tool, as we are currently over-subscribed we do this because we know that if you are truly going to drive social mobility, then you have to develop young people beyond what many of them believe, and perhaps have been told, they are capable of. In this regard, we offer an academic route for progression to many students with lower than average GCSE performance, for whom this route would not otherwise be available. The vast majority of our students progress to university (many first generation) which illustrates the impact of the work that we do with them.

Despite our low entry requirements our A-level outcomes place us at the top of the Wirral performance tables and have placed us in the top 10% of ALPS providers nationally for four years.

For the last two years we have had to close our applications process earlier than we would like, this being particularly stark for the 2018 in-take when we had to close applications in May and even then, had the very difficult task of turning down a very large number of students who we know would have benefitted from working with us. Our applications this year are already substantially ahead of where they were last year (over 400 applications in 5 weeks; up 138% on last year) and we fear that we are going to have to disappoint even more students in 2019 than we did in 2018 and 2017.

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We have done everything we can to maximise the current accommodation, with room usage figures that average over 95% and at times are 100%. These figures are very high and already limit our flexibility.

If we are not able to expand then I regret that we will probably have to manage demand by raising our entry requirements. I am desperate not to do this for three reasons:

1. Our approach, and support systems have shown that the current entry criteria work, we can get these kids through.
2. If we were to increase our entry requirements it is inevitable that those from already disadvantaged backgrounds would be disproportionately impacted.
3. We can manage the modest growth we envisage and the demand is there, it would simply be wrong to deny high quality education to those who want it.

In recent correspondence with Damien Hines he informed us that he wanted to support good and outstanding institutions to grow and that whilst we were not entitled to apply for the growth funds that had been earmarked for Grammar expansion, he advised us of the CIF route and has asked one of his staff, Michael Frain, to support us in this process.

As stated, our growth plans are modest and over the coming years would be driven by demographic increases as well as our strong reputation. Our plan is to build a new classroom block of nine classrooms and with this and some other internal changes, we will be in a position to grow from our current numbers of around 1,400 to somewhere in the region of 1,600-1,700. We believe that a figure in this new range is the limit of our current site.

The guidance from the DfE for expansion project applications requires us to implement the significant change process in respect of our proposed limited expansion of the college premises. We intend to make the appropriate fast-track application in December following completion of the consultation process. Whilst we appreciate that it is expected that RSCs will approve fast track applications that meet the requisite criteria, I wanted to make contact with you at this juncture to seek your support for our bid and to canvass your advice on what we can do to how best to present our case.

I would also like to extend a warm and open invitation to you to come and visit us and see what we do and why we are so successful and nationally held in high regard. I would also welcome the opportunity to support other activities and initiatives that you might consider worthwhile, as we are very much attuned to the wider responsibilities we have to contribute to our educational community.

Yours sincerely



Mike Kilbride  
Principal

# APPENDIX E

## Letters to Local Headteachers



PARK ROAD WEST  
CLAUGHTON, WIRRAL  
CH43 8SQ

Telephone: 0151 652 5575  
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Principal: Mike Kilbride

13 November 2018

Dear Colleagues

I shared at a recent WASH meeting that the College would be making an expansion application through the CIF process. Over the last two years we have had to close our doors to applications and we believe this does not allow some students the full range of choices and options that they are entitled too. In 2018 this was particularly acute with our applications and recruitment process essentially closing down in May due to the sheer volume we had received by that time.

To alleviate this problem and allow a sixth form college option to be there for all we are planning for about a 10-15% growth in capacity over the coming years. To achieve this we are going to have to add to our accommodation with a new block of approximately 9 classrooms. Our plan is to have this new capacity in place for 2020.

I would like the opportunity to share our plans in more detail with you and would like to invite you to the College on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 at 16:00, when we will be able to give more information about our plans and also answer any questions you may have.

If you are not able to make this meeting or would prefer to share some thoughts in writing I would welcome these.

Would you please RSVP my PA, Jane Green at [jmg@bsfc.ac.uk](mailto:jmg@bsfc.ac.uk)

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mike Kilbride'.

Mike Kilbride  
Principal

# APPENDIX F

## Online Survey Additional Comments [sic]

1	A welcome addition to address this very successful and over subscribed Sixth form college.
2	Additional classrooms will help the college to grow and further support the needs of the local community.
3	All for expansion and development but can some of the budget be used to tidy the view of Upton Road please? Some proper Landscaping is needed since the hedge was removed. It is now an eyesore to what is 'back of house' areas of the College.
4	An exciting addition to a fantastic institution
5	Any additional teaching spaces will benefit the students
6	As a local resident, past student and now a staff member, I fully support the proposal. The college gives outstanding opportunities to students and the building is also used by many local community groups.
7	As a Wirral Councillor I believe the college does a great job and students require modern and attractive facilities
8	As many students as possible need the opportunity to attend the college, as long as there are enough staff to keep classes reasonably sized.
9	Attending BSFC was the best decision to date I have made in my life. The college, it's students, the teachers and support network are easily of the best standard I have ever experienced and think expanding the college will only make it better. BSFC gave me the best experiences and think it would be an amazing idea to allow more students to have this wonderful teaching opportunity.
10	Beneficial to our students
11	Birkenhead Park school need the money more. So much more.
12	Can only create a better college.
13	Due to the high number of students at BSFC there is not alot of space to sit during big gaps, i feel extending the college would benefit students as it provides them with a new area to study and socialise with others.
14	Expanding an excellent place
15	Extra classrooms are clearly needed to keep up with the increase in the number of students however do not sacrifice quality of teaching and the quality of the working environment for quantity of students admitted.
16	Extra space is needed to accommodate extra students.
17	Fantastic idea so that they can accomdate for increasing popularity
18	Fantastic institution which deserves investment to enable it expand and promote social mobility.
19	GOOD IDEA
20	Good idea
21	Good idea more students need more space
22	Good institution with experts on their fields teaching subjects theyâ€™re passionate about
23	Great Design
24	Great idea
25	Great opportunity for more students to benefit from the incredible work being done by the college
26	Great opportunity for more students to benefit from the incredible work being done by the college
27	Great to offer more students the opportunity of an excellent education in a friendly environment and with staff who make a real difference
28	I agree that the proposal would be beneficial to prevent overcrowding, However, I feel it is important to retain the few green areas on campus for students to enjoy, perhaps to combat the issue of removing these areas the college could make more pockets of greenery around the campus with planters etc, perhaps even having students get involved in growing some flowers or vegetables in an agricultural/gardening related lunch club etc?

29	I am in favour of it, but I feel there may be a few issues that need to be addressed: I am concerned about the amount of natural light that may be cut off to the other buildings. This will be a very dominating structure. Also what will the fire procedure be for this building? Where will the students be evacuated to?
30	I believe this would be great contribution to the college, as it is able to allow more students. As a previous student to Birkenhead Sixth Form I can with ease that the level of teaching and support was excellent, so it would be a shame for people to be turned away due to full capacity, so therefore the proposal would bring great opportunity.
31	I think as one of the best sixth form colleges it needs to expand to offer more places
32	I think it would be a great addition to the college
33	I think it'd be good because it would allow more students to join
33	I think its a Fantastic idea
34	I think that being able to offer places to more students on the Wirral, who are in need of an outstanding place to study, is a must. It will help to raise standards in education across our community.
35	I think this is a wonderful idea. My daughter is extremely happy at the college and for additional students to have the option to secure a place can only be a good thing!
36	I think this is great for college growth
37	I worry building work will disrupt and distract existing students!
38	If more children can access this brilliant college then that can only benefit our community
39	If there is room to improve on top of the existing building and it is much needed then whatever can be done to make BSFC cater for the growing number of applicants should be made as I don't see any reason to halt the progress for the future of our children wanting to educate themselves and making that possible for them. It fully has my backing and good luck it making this happen.
40	In my role as Head of Student Development I see the impact of the incredible work this college does with the young people of the Wirral on a daily basis. I also see the growing demand from the Liverpool area - where there is currently no comparable sixth form provision.
41	It is needed
42	It seems the right time to expand this exceptional college, improving opportunities for future students.
43	It would be an absolute shame if in future more students are refused such a great opportunity attending this sixth form college.
44	It would be an excellent addition to a already academically superb school.
45	It would benefit the Wirral offering more places to students. An excellent college with outstanding education.
46	It's a great college and this extension will allow more students to be educated there.
47	Looks good, only downside is the amount of Cars it will attract with the extra numbers
48	Make sure that there's enough room for people to go at break. What with all the extra students this will hopefully bring. Thx
49	Money can be better used elsewhere, and adding an extra block does not reduce corridor congestion
50	More space is needed in order to provide a safer and more pleasant working environment for both students and teachers
51	More space to accommodate all students who wish to study here
52	Much needed expansion to prevent turning large swathes of students away from a college that has done so much to so many young people in the local area.
53	much needed space for the excellent education experience for our future students

54	My only concern is any potential disruption to the existing students. Would the works be carried out outside of classroom times and/or term?
55	My son went to the college and did very well. Extension will give opportunities for more students and thus be good for social mobility.
56	Needed as most successful college in region
57	Needs smaller class numbers for personalised teaching. More extra facilities/ opportunities available to students. Providing more students the chance to attend an exceptional college.
58	Not enough space in the canteen for the people who already go here.
59	Our current and future students will have access to the best possible teaching and learning environment.
60	Proposed plans will enable more students to access quality education
61	School leavers need the opportunity to attend sixth form provision that caters for their individual needs and offers a range of subjects.
62	Some of the students that attend the school that I work in are unable to continue their education in the establishment of their choice due to oversubscribed numbers
63	Support the proposal totally. Only concern would be any disruptions to the current students. A levels are challenging and stressful enough without having new building development right on top of you. Trusting noise and disruption will be kept to a minimum while the students are in attendance.
64	The college campus is crowded with buildings already, barely a blade of grass insight.
65	The college could expand their subject choices, due to the larger space that they will have to accommodate the students. Also the hallways and classrooms are always usually too full, so having more space around the college will make it easier for people to get around including those who may be unable to move through them due to a condition they might have.
66	The college is a great institution that is doing excellent work year upon year. It is fantastic that there is such a good college in this part of the Wirral, as it gives important opportunities to students from this quite deprived area. I would like to see more students be able to attend.
67	The college is always so busy and I think extra room is needed.
68	The college is growing in capacity and this is a welcome addition
69	The college is in need of an expansion, it would cause no detriment and merely cause the college to excel academically and allow a higher student body count
70	The college is oversubscribed and this block is necessary so we can provide an outstanding education to every student within Wirral who wants it.
71	The college needs this space: it is difficult to imagine a greater contribution to young people in the region, than expanding the already outstanding provision.
72	The college needs to expand to continue to provide a high quality post 16 education for even more students on the Wirral.
73	The improved facilities will allow all students to access an outstanding college and support the vision of improving the life chances of the young people from Birkenhead.
74	The local college is a centre of excellence for young people on the Wirral. It is a place that provides excellent academic opportunities and pastoral care. It is an ideal institution for students bridging the gap between school and higher education.
75	The logical next step for the college
76	The more young people who have access to this first class sixth form college, the better.
77	The new additions are crucial to ensure as many students as possible benefit from the excellent provision at the College

78	The proposal anticipates the positivity of the future of which the College wants to be an instrument.
79	THE PROPOSED EXTENSION IS VITAL TO ENABLE THIS OUTSTANDING COLLEGE TO MEET DEMAND FOR HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION FOR LOCAL STUDENTS IN THIS DEPRIVED AREA
80	There are far too many students in the village now. When the college finishes and students leave for the bus stops. People, especially old people feel intimidated by the crowds of students taking up the pavement. Also they leave an enormous amount of litter.
81	There is enough students as there is. Building a new block will over crowd the college even more with pupils
82	There should be more space for break and lunch for pupils as there is an issue with a lack of space to eat and sit down.
83	Think this is a great idea! Help out even more students from the local community.
84	This can only be of benefit to the local community and the future generations of the local students
85	This looks like a positive development which will benefit local students and local area
86	This new block will give more students the opportunity to benefit from outstanding teaching, setting them up for their future.
87	This will help to support our current and future students in accessing the very best further education opportunities.
88	This will optimise learning and achievement and will advantage more young learners in Merseyside and Cheshire.
89	Urgently needed to accommodate local applications for further education
90	Very pleased that the college are not moving to a different site as i'm also a local resident. I think if it moved it would have a detrimental effect on the Cloughton Village community and the local shops / businesses that rely on students/staff custom. The building design is also aesthetically pleasing and blends in with the rest of the college.
91	We, as parents would want other students to have the opportunity to reach their true potential both in their post 16 career and to further experience the outstanding and enriching opportunities on offer at BHSC as our daughter did .  To limit and possibly turn away new potential new students wanting to attend Birkenhead Sixth Form College because of lack of space would be a travesty, firstly, to the students themselves ,to our community and our future generation.
92	Will be beneficial to the young people of Birkenhead
93	Would make already busy areas almost impossible to access unless they too got improved. E.g. 8SQ at lunch, the Hub, and general corridors are already tight and hard to not make physical contact with other students when lessons end especially within the corridors. Timetables could be adjusted to fix this? (I don't know I'm just a student)

# APPENDIX G

## Public Meeting Attendees

**23 November 2018 at 4pm**

**Attendees:**

Peter Mee: Deputy Head at The Birkenhead Park School

Jon Duckers: Assistant Head at Ridgeway High School

Rebecca Mahony: Head at Birkenhead High School Academy

Glyn Holden: Local resident

Steve Griffiths: Birkenhead Sixth Form College Governor and local resident

Gill Wood: Wirral Councillor, local resident and Birkenhead Sixth Form College Governor

Steve Geary: Architect for Birkenhead Sixth Form College from Ainsley Gommon and local resident

Sarah Crosbie: Birkenhead Sixth Form College staff and parent of prospectus student

Jackie Talbot: Birkenhead Sixth Form College staff and local resident

Jane Green: Birkenhead Sixth Form College staff and local resident

Kelvin Slessor-Marriott: Birkenhead Sixth Form College staff

Rob Myatt: Deputy Principal at Birkenhead Sixth Form College

# APPENDIX H

Presentation given at Public Consultation Meeting  
23rd November 2018

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING**  
FRIDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2018

tes Winner  
Sixth form college of the year award

Ofsted Outstanding  
College

SOCIAL MOBILITY AWARD  
2018

The Sixth Form College  
Birkenhead

**Mike Kilbride**  
Principal

**THIS COLLEGE'S JOURNEY**

2008

- Average GCSE Points: 5.4
- A Level High Grades: 18%
- Value Added: Bottom 20%

→

2018

- Average GCSE Points: 5.5
- A Level High Grades: 45%
- Value Added: Top 10%

**STABLE AND SECURE**

tes Winner  
Sixth form college of the year award

SOCIAL MOBILITY AWARD  
2018  
Birkenhead Sixth Form College

educate  
2018  
WINNER

Ofsted  
Outstanding  
College

ECHO  
SCHOOLS  
AWARDS  
2017  
WINNER

WirralGlobe  
SCHOOLS  
AWARDS

ACC  
BEACON AWARD  
FINALIST 2018/19

**OUR APPROACH**

**BePART**  
Educational Ethos



**2018 RECRUITMENT**

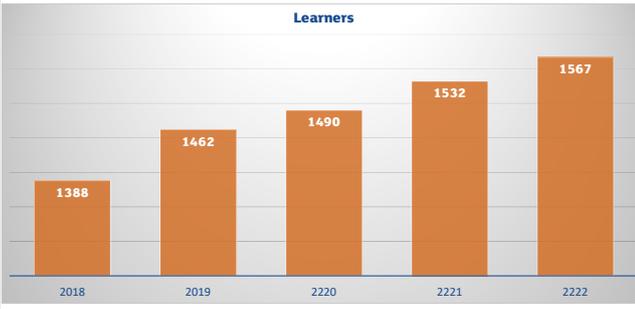
- Closed recruitment in May
- Reduced Level 2 provision
- Denied Sixth Form College education to many

**FORECAST RECRUITMENT**

Year	16 Year Olds	BSFC	%
2014	3722	691	18.6
2015	3591	754	21.0
2016	3586	733	20.4
2017	3425	735	21.5
2018	3416	799	23.4
2019	3331	820	24.6
2020	3465	852	24.6
2021	3593	884	24.6
2022	3626	892	24.6
2023	3670	903	24.6
2024	3733	918	24.6

**RECRUITMENT**

Learners



**Paula Blakemore**  
Assistant Principal

**GIVING OUTSTANDING EDUCATION TO ALL**



**THE PLANS**



**LOCATION OF NEW BUILDING**



**LOCATION OF NEW BUILDING**



**THE BUILDING WORK**

**PHASE ONE - SUBSTRUCTURE**

TIME: 1 month  
Excavate and lay foundations  
Completed: July 2019

**PHASE TWO - SUPERSTRUCTURE**

TIME: 6 months  
Building constructed, sealed & water-tight  
Completed: January 2020

**PHASE THREE - INTERNAL FIT-OUT**

TIME: 3 months  
Project Completed by Easter 2020



**THE NEW BUILDING AND THE LOCAL COMMUNITY**



**THE DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION**

Department for Education objective:

**“Promoting and achieving choice and diversity in the school system as a way of creating a climate which fosters high and improving standards in achievement.”**



**ANY QUESTIONS?**



# APPENDIX I

## Public Consultation Meeting Minutes

### Expansion Meeting

23 November 2018 at 4pm. Meeting lasted till 4 30pm

#### **Attendees:**

Peter Mee: Deputy Head at Birkenhead Park School

Jon Duckers: Assistant Head at Ridgeway High School

Rebecca Mahony: Head at Birkenhead High School Academy

Glyn Holden : Local resident

Steve Griffiths: BSFC governor and local resident

Gill Wood: Wirral Councillor, local resident and BSFC governor

Alisdair Lang: Prospective student

Steve Geary: Architect for BSFC from Ainsley Gommon and local resident

Sarah Crosbie: BSFC staff and local resident

Jackie Talbot: BSFC staff and local resident

Jane Green: BSFC staff and local resident

Mike Kilbride (MK) Principal gave presentation setting out demand for places and College educational ethos – Appendix 1

Paula Blakemore (PBL) gave presentation setting out details of proposed new build – Appendix 2

#### **Attendees invited to ask questions:**

Rebecca Mahony from BHSA:

1. BHSA was interested in what Level 2 programmes were available for their girls to do at the BSFC as they do not have that curriculum offer. MK outlined provision.
2. Would the College be offering T Levels? MK confirmed no, BTEC or A Level. 65% A Level provision & 35% BTEC provision.

Glyn Holden, local resident:

1. How will the builders get access to new build? MK explained access would be via the entrance at Shrewsbury Road where the College car-park would be used as a site

compound MK reiterated that deliveries will be restricted to certain times to minimise disruption.

2. How will the green areas around the College be affected? MK conceded there would be damage from the building works but it would be put right. Glyn Holden commented that a few years ago, the College had sought to cut down the hedge and he had raised a concern and had stopped that process because of its impact on wild-life nesting in the hedge. MK agreed didn't want to see any loss to the greenery, and confirmed that the College would put more in where possible.

Steve Griffiths, Governor and local resident:

1. I want to assure you that I have seen the development of these plans over the last 12 months and the governors are very supportive of the approach, fits in with local ethos.

MK invited the audience to raise any other private questions either email or speak to MK/PBL afterwards.

Rebecca Mahoney spoke to PBL and reiterated that BHSA were interested in collaborating more in the future.

Peter Mee and Jon Duckers spoke to PBL and reiterated their support for the expansion plans.



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