

Section A

From the information provided, do you understand the reasons why the Governing Body is consulting on the proposal to close Christ Church C of E Primary School by 31 August 2021?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Section B

To what extent do you agree or disagree that Christ Church C of E School should close by 31 August 2021?

☐ Strongly agree

☐ Agree

☐ Neither agree or disagree

☐ Disagree

☐ Strongly disagree

Section C Comments

Please make any additional comments in the box below:

Section D About you

Are you a ... (please tick all that apply)

☐ Parent/carers with a child currently at Christ Church C of E Primary

☐ Parent/carers with a child currently at another local school

☐ Parent/carers with a pre-school child

☐ School staff

☐ Governor of Christ Church C of E School

☐ Governor of another school

☐ Local resident

☐ Elected representative

☐ Other (please specify)

Consultation on the closure of Christ Church C of E Primary, Chalford

What are we proposing for Christ Church C of E Primary and why?

Christ Church C of E Primary is a 4-11 Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School. The school currently offers 8 reception places each year with a total capacity for 56 pupils. In September 2018 and 2019 just 1 pupil joined the Reception each year and the school currently has only 22 pupils on roll with 34 surplus places.

Due to the decreasing numbers over recent years the Governing Body is aware that there is a surplus of school places in the area of the school. The Governing Body is also very concerned that the children’s social development is being impacted as a result of falling numbers. It is felt that the significant drop in numbers has impacted on the school’s ability to provide an optimum learning environment.

Pupil forecasts indicate that the low pupil numbers at the school and the number of surplus places in the area will continue and the Governing Body of Christ Church C of E School, is therefore consulting on the proposed closure of the school by 31 August 2021, with the support of the Diocese of Gloucester and Gloucestershire County Council.

What we will do to best support pupils at Christ Church C of E Primary

We will ensure that the school continues to receive support through the Local Authority and Diocese of Gloucester so that all pupils are able to continue their education and receive the best possible teaching and learning. Gloucestershire County Council's Admissions Team and Parent Advisers will work with individual families to ensure suitable places are found at other schools taking into account particular needs and any preference for a Church of England education should the decision be taken to close the school.

What happens next?

If you are a parent or carer with a child currently attending Christ Church C of E Primary you will shortly be contacted by a Parent Adviser from Gloucestershire County Council or a member of the Admissions Team. You are also invited to a drop in meeting on Thursday 13 February at Christ Church C of E Primary School between 5pm-6pm.

All the consultation responses from people who attend the meetings, send in response forms or complete the survey online will be put together into a report for the Governing Body and the Lead Cabinet Member for Economy, Education and Skills at Gloucestershire County Council. They will then consider everything that people have said to help decide on the future of Christ Church C of E Primary School.

If the Governing Body decides that the best option is to close the school, a statutory notice will be published in March 2020. There will then be a further 4 week period for people to respond to the proposal before a final decision is made by the Lead Cabinet Member for Economy, Education and Skills at Gloucestershire County Council in summer term 2020.

How do I tell you my views?

You are invited to attend an information drop in meeting at:
Christ Church C of E Primary School
Main Road, Christ Church, GL2 8JH
On Thursday 13 February between 5pm-6pm.

You can also give us your comments by completing the attached questionnaire.

This should be returned to us at the following address:
Christ Church C of E Consultation
Old Neighbourhood,
Chalford,
Gloucester,
Gloucestershire
GL6 8PP

You can also complete the questionnaire on our website at
www.christchurch-chal.gloucs.sch.uk

Completed questionnaires must reach us by 5pm on Friday 6th March

Gloucestershire County Council has a commitment to protecting personal information.
All of your answers will be treated in accordance with the Data Protection act.