

Information from the most recent consultation regarding the proposed re-location of St Edburg's Cof E primary School. This feedback will be discussed by the full GB at the next meeting on 31st Jan and a decision will be made as to whether or not formal notices should be published.

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Positives

- It's an old building and it's in a nice place
- Beautiful old character school
- New facilities, school dinners, improved recreation facilities
- School will be bigger, up-to date and have more space.
- Up to date facilities and a more eco-friendly school could be built and save money
- The chance to design a school for 21st century teaching
- The possibility of making the school more accessible for community events and activities
- A great opportunity to modernise the school
- Better facilities
- New estate requires a school and if it were a state school, the ability of St Edburg's to attract pupils would be likely to reduce
- New facilities, enlarged opportunities and a greater range of staff able to bring their own specialism
- The new school would provide a golden opportunity for being at the centre of the new community helping to build up its common life and Christian values and worship

Negatives

- It will be further from the church
- The distance from our home will be further.
- It would be a long walk as we live in Langford
- The "church" status will be lost
- Children will have to cross a very fast road
- The school is being forced somewhat to relocate to a new site
- Distance from the church and the centre of the community
- We may have to purchase a car
- Possibility of cycle path being opened
- The history and culture of St Edburg's is core to the school and will be lost if there was a re-location.
- The eventual doubling in size would be of a concern
- Concern about the loss of the small and friendly environment
- It would be a shame if the strong links between school and church were lost
- Degrading of the current building whilst waiting for the new one to be built

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Some points for further consideration

- We have concerns about what may happen to these old buildings if the school was closed
- I understand the changing nature of housing in the area and falling roles might mean the school would eventually close. I want St Edburg's to remain open.
- The first new parents moving into Kingsmere will take their children to Kings meadow whilst the school is being built