



Christopher Rawlins Church of England Voluntary Aided
Primary School; Adderbury; Oxon



Aynho Road
Adderbury
Oxon OX17 3NH

Tel: 01295 810497 Fax 01295 816074

E-mail: office.3453@christopher-rawlins.oxon.sch.uk

Head teacher: Mr P Goldsworthy

Chair of Governors: Mr J Finch

November 20, 2015

Dear Diane

I am writing to you with regard to the proposed expansion of Christopher Rawlins VA Church of England Primary School.

There was a meeting of the Full Governing Body yesterday evening, and the expansion was among items discussed. The consultation process having recently concluded without any negative comments was a factor in reaching our decision, as was the lack of any substantial criticism of the broad-brush expansion plan which have been available within the school community for some months – including a ‘stall’ at our recent parents evening and mail-outs from the governing body to ensure that the parents and carers of the school were fully aware of its progress along the expansion conversations.

As a governing body, our guiding principle through all discussions has been that children who live in the village should be educated in the village, and that therefore there should be space to accommodate this situation. The school is simultaneously aware that its current class numbers are full and that there are a number of new houses yet to be populated with other houses to be built in the pipeline. It is also aware of the local demand for places as the two neighbouring villages – of Deddington and Bloxham – are also full to capacity so this will further put pressure on schools locally.

Both myself, and Phil Goldsworthy, the Head Teacher, have attended meetings of the Adderbury Parochial Church Council and the Adderbury Parish Council in order to discuss this issue, and to counsel their views on the subject. Both of these groups are in full favour of the expansion of the school in line with the thoughts of the governing body. The Diocese of Oxford is also in favour of our expansion.

Therefore, as a result of these factors, at its regular meeting on Thursday 19th November 2015 - the Governing Body of Christopher Rawlins unanimously proposed that the proposal for the school expansion plan should go ahead with its full support.

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Finch; Chair of Governors

Christopher Rawlins Church of England VA Primary School; Adderbury; Oxon

jeremy_finch@dai.com

jjfinch@gmail.com

Mobile: +44 (0)7834 439974

Skype: jeremy.jfinch