

# STATUTORY CONSULTATION RESPONSE FORM

Children and Young People's Services  
Statutory Consultation - Proposal Response Form



## SCHOOL ESTATE CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO PROPOSAL TO CLOSE HOBKIRK PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Detail of the Proposal

It is proposed that, subject to the outcome of this statutory consultation process as set out in the Schools (Consultation) (Scotland) Act 2010 as amended:

- Hobkirk Primary School is permanently closed; and
- If the school is closed, that the catchment area for Hobkirk Primary School is permanently zoned to Denholm Primary School

### Why we are consulting

Hobkirk Primary School was mothballed in 2016, following a significant drop in pupil numbers. Since mothballing, the Council has monitored the school and the provision of education in the area. An Options Appraisal has been completed considering all reasonable options regarding the school's future. The Appraisal indicated that the most appropriate option was a permanent closure of the school.

The Council is now seeking your views on the proposals and options prior to making a final decision regarding the future of the schools.

## Introduction

1. What is your name?

2. What is your email address?

3. What is your postcode?

4. Please tick the most relevant box below to indicate which school(s) you are connected with

- Hobkirk Primary School       Denholm Primary School  
 Hawick High School       Jedburgh Grammar School  
 Other

If other please state

**5. Please tick the most relevant box below to indicate your interest in the in the School(s)**

<i>Parent/carer</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Staff</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Pupil</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Relative of Pupil</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Parent Council Member</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Elected Member/MSP/MP</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Community Planning Partner</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Community Member</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other</i>	

**6. Do you agree with the proposal to permanently close Hobkirk Primary School?**

*Please select only one item*

Agree

Disagree

Don't Know

**Please provide us with any comments or alternative suggestions regarding the proposal to close the school**

## CONSULTATION QUESTIONS



- 7 Do you agree with the proposal to permanently rezone Hobkirk Primary School's catchment area (if the school is to close) to Denholm Primary School?**

*Please select only one item*

Agree

Disagree

Don't know

**Please provide us with any comments or alternative suggestions regarding the proposal to amend the catchment zone.**

- 8. One of the alternative proposals that Council officers considered was the re-opening of Hobkirk Primary School. Please tell us if you have any comments or suggestions regarding this option.**

- 9. One of options that Council officers considered was to re-open Hobkirk Primary School, with an extended catchment area. Please tell us if you have any comments or suggestions regarding this option.**

- 10. One of the options that Council officers considered was to continue mothballing Hobkirk Primary School. Please tell us if you have any comments or suggestions regarding this option.**

- 11. Please tell us if you have any further comments or alternative suggestions regarding the proposals.**

## CONFIDENTIALITY OF RESPONSE

**Your response, but not your personal information, will form part of a report that is submitted to Education Scotland and Scottish Ministers and will be available to the public. Do you wish your comments to be considered as confidential so they will only be seen by Elected Members and officers of Scottish Borders Council, Education Scotland and the Scottish Government?**

Yes                       No

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## THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO GIVE US YOUR VIEWS

Your completed form can be handed into your local school or posted to: Ettrick Primary School Consultation, Children and Young People's Services, Scottish Borders Council, Newtown St Boswells TD6 0SA. You can also give us your views online at - <https://scotborders.citizenspace.com/children-and-young-people/hobkirk>

**BY 10 MAY 2019**

If you have any queries, please email: [schoolestates@scotborders.gov.uk](mailto:schoolestates@scotborders.gov.uk)