

# PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE AGE RANGE OF WIGTON INFANT SCHOOL.

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Cumbria County Council intends to change the age range at Wigton Infant School, Longthwaite Road, Wigton CA7 9JR from educating children between the ages of 2 and 7 to educating children between the ages of 3 and 7.

## School and local education authority details and category of school.

Cumbria County Council, School Organisation Team, Parkhouse Building, Baron Way, Kingmoor Business Park, Carlisle CA6 4SJ.  
Wigton Infant School, Longthwaite Road, Wigton CA7 9JR (DfE number 909/2070). The category of the school is Community.

## Description of alteration and evidence of demand

In September 2020 Wigton Infant School took on what was formerly Longthwaite Road Pre-School, changing its age range in the process to allow it to accommodate children as young as 2 years. Following a review of the facility since that date, and a temporary change to only accommodate 3 year olds and above in September 2021, it is now proposed that the change be made permanent, and that the age range of the school be amended to 3 to 7 years to reflect this.

## Objectives (including how the proposal would increase educational standards and parental choice).

The children would continue to attend the existing nursery in the way they do now and, should parents require a place for their 2 year old, there are other providers in the area that can offer places.

## The effect on other schools, academies and educational institutions within the area.

None.

## Project costs and indication of how these will be met, including how long term value for money will be achieved

None.

## Implementation and any proposed stages for implementation

The proposal would be implemented on 1 January 2023.

**The procedure for responses, support, objections and comments**

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this notice, any person wishing to receive a copy of the full proposal, raise objections or make comments on the proposal can do so by writing to Cumbria County Council, School Organisation Team, Parkhouse Building, Baron Way, Kingmoor Business Park, Carlisle CA6 4SJ.