

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 10:13  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Henry Cort consultation

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Good morning,

I would like to take the opportunity to put my view forward regarding Henry Cort.

I have a child at Henry Cort now and another due to join in September [REDACTED]. My children are likely to be impacted by the proposed changes and it is causing considerable worry to our family.

**I strongly support the option to move the Henry Cort students and staff to the new school in Whiteley for a number of reasons.**

1. Friendships would be lost if some children move and others stay. Friendships are absolutely critical to children thriving at school and having children moved apart part way through their secondary school experience would be heartbreaking for many. It will interrupt their study, impact attendance, mental health and their sense of belonging.
2. The travel impact is not concerning to us as a family living close to the Henry Cort site. My children feel happy to get a bus to Whiteley.
3. Teachers are already in short supply at Henry Cort. Many classes are covered by staff not trained in that area and this impacts learning significantly in my experience. How could two schools be well staffed if enough teachers can't be recruited and retained just for Henry Cort? This seems to be a particular issue for Science.
4. If local teachers had the opportunity to choose between working in a brand new facility or the existing building, I imagine many would be more attracted to the new build. This would leave Henry Cort with potentially 'less desirable' teachers, while Whiteley gets not only new facilities, but the strongest teaching staff. Another disadvantage to the children and family's left behind.
5. Facilities will be new and improved at the new school and my children would be excited about the opportunity to learn in the new environment. They want to take pride in their school and feel that Henry Cort is run down and outdated.

I could go on, but I think these points summarise our views. Please consider that many parents would be happy to see their children move with their friends and teachers to the new school. They are incredibly anxious about being left behind, but would be excited about moving to the new facility.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 10:35  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Relocation of Henry Cort comments

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Kind regards,

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 10:39  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Fw: Whiteley Secondary School

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Good morning,  
Following on from my email below and the subsequent Public Notice.

Whilst there is absolutely a need for a secondary school in Whiteley, please can we stop saying that travel times will be reduced for local children - this is inaccurate for any children who don't live on the side of Whiteley where the new school is being built. The children near to Whiteley Primary School and those in the Leafy Lane area will have a 1.75-2 mile walk to the new school, vs. a short bus ride (protected from the elements) to Henry Cort. I would strongly suggest you consider where all the parents will park to drop off their children because this will be a massive issue at the new school. (If you visit Whiteley Primary School at the end of the school day you will see the chaos of cars everywhere around the school, parked on double yellows and blocking residential streets, this will be just as bad!)

Is it possible maybe to provide the option of both schools within catchment from Whiteley? Those who want to go to the new Whiteley School can, and those who want to stay at Henry Cort because they are already there or want to go there from 2027 onwards would also be able to. This will reduce the travel costs for the council massively. Or they could even do what Swanmore College does and ask parents to pay for the bus if children choose Henry Cort from Whiteley. This gives students more choice in Whiteley, reduces the travel bill, and means Fareham children can still go to their local, walkable school.

My understanding of the council's job is to represent all people in their local area so how can they ignore the 72% that indicated Option 1. Unfortunately, based on what I have read in Section 27 of the report, this decision is about the financial implications and not the children that it affects. It would be interesting to see how much of the transport saving will then be spent on; teachers relocation allowances based on section 51, and also any additional transport costs for Fareham children who are very near to Henry Cort but will have to get to further away Fareham schools.

I also have a massive concern [REDACTED] around what will happen to those in Year 10 and 11, [REDACTED] will be in Year 11 in 2027 and yet you don't really seem to know or be able to outline what will happen for them in the two most crucial years. My [REDACTED] will be going into Year 7 in [REDACTED] and so it would also be good to know if the closing of Henry Cort and the new school opening go ahead in time how you will manage those Year 7s transition. Going to secondary school is a massive change for all children, but these children will have never visited or seen the school prior to making a decision to go there for the next 5 years of their education.

Kind Regards,  
[REDACTED]

Sent: 02 September 2024 14:45

To: strategicplanningunit@hants.gov.uk <strategicplanningunit@hants.gov.uk>

Subject: Whiteley Secondary School

Good afternoon,

I just wanted to raise a point on the new Whiteley Secondary School. Regarding the sustainable travel and school travel plan in the FAQs document provided as part of the consultation.

*"By planning to create school places on an accessible site, as close as possible to where children live, we create the best chance for those children to travel to school in an active, sustainable way, using means of travel other than the car."*

*"Any students not entitled to transport will be given information and support and be encouraged to travel to site in the most sustainable way."*

*"Encourage and enable pupils, parents/guardians, staff and visitors to walk/wheel, scoot and cycle to school. Where this is not possible, to consider public transport, car sharing or the use of any Park and Stride facilities which may be made available."*

*"Hampshire County Council does not provide drop off/ pick up or parking facilities for parents on school sites to deter travel by car. The school site has been designed so that it can be accessed from three points to provide every opportunity for dispersing the volume of pedestrian traffic across all entrances."*

[REDACTED], so the opposite side of Whiteley to the new school. My [REDACTED] is currently in Year [REDACTED] and attends Henry Cort, this means he walks 0.3 miles to the bus stop, and takes the free bus directly to the school gates.

However, my daughter is due to start secondary school in September [REDACTED] and therefore should be able to attend the new Whiteley school. Wonderful a school in the town we have lived in and been waiting for for years. But she will have to walk 2 miles to school, therefore 4 miles per day. This is under the threshold for free Council provided transportation. And whilst I am not opposed to children getting out and about in the fresh air (especially in that age category), it feels like she is therefore worse off by going to her long awaited local school. I am especially thinking about those cold, wet and dark mornings in the winter.

I noticed on the current planning pages there is a map showing the areas which are within a 20 minute walk from the site, and we sit outside of this (probably about a 30 minute walk). It also shows the Public Footpaths. However, the walking route from our house based on this is a path that is through woodland and therefore very muddy and full of puddles in the winter and definitely not cyclable in those conditions.

There are also no public transport options in this area. The bus would require her to walk further than walking directly to the school, and would mean getting to school very early or very late!

This will affect children who live both in the Leafy Lane area of Whiteley, but also those who live near to Whiteley Primary School (Arabian Gardens, Berber Close etc.) who live a similar distance away.

It also seems to suggest that the School Travel Plan Working Group will exist only once the school is open and operating, which seems like a flaw in logic, surely we would be figuring out how to get 900 children to school before it opens, rather than afterwards.

Thanks for the opportunity to provide feedback.

Kind Regards  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 10:54  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Henry court school . Do not close

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Highlands area needs this school not only for students being able to attend without going on buses but as a focal point in one of the poorer areas of Fareham . A student will get into school late without needing to get in a bus or not get to school at all .

It also provides excellent sports facilities . Most other schools in Fareham ie Cams and Fareham Academy are oversubscribed. Please think again what happens when Welbournes built does the bus drive via Henry Cort site to get to the new school . Ridiculous [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 11:21  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Henry Cort school move

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Please take this email as my objection to move Henry Cort to the new Whiteley secondary school being built please

Many thanks  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 11:34  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Relocation of Henry Cort

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Dear Richard,

As a Whiteley parent of two children who will be entering year [REDACTED] and year [REDACTED] in September [REDACTED], I would like to advise that I am really pleased to see the relocation taking place as I believe it offers the least amount of disruption to children in the area and I understand the financial aspects which have played a huge part in this decision.

I understand that you will most likely to receive a large amount of negative responses from other parents so I wanted to ensure a positive viewpoint was also provided to balance opinion somewhat.

I understand Whiteley parents having concerns that an underperforming school will be relocated to the area but I believe the senior leadership team are doing a great job in turning this around and I think a relocation to Whiteley will only help this.

My only concern is the transition plans for years 10 and 11 as I believe senior leadership team will be under pressure to appease Fareham parents/students and don't want this to adversely affect [REDACTED]. I will be speaking the school directly regarding this.

Thank you for providing a comprehensive plan for these changes. Hopefully people will read it fully and be reassured by the answers provided following the initial consultation.

Kind regards

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 11:46  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Objection to the Proposed Relocation of The Henry Cort Community College

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally object to the proposed relocation of The Henry Cort Community College to the North Whiteley housing development, effective from 1 September 2027.

**Community Impact:**

Relocating the school risks disrupting the existing Fareham community, where the college has deep-rooted connections. Many current students and families will face longer, more challenging commutes, impacting attendance and student well-being.

**Financial Concerns:**

The projected £42.7 million relocation cost could be better invested in upgrading the current site, improving facilities, and enhancing educational outcomes without uprooting the school.

**Environmental Impact:**

Increased travel from Fareham to North Whiteley will contribute to higher traffic congestion and environmental harm, countering sustainability goals.

**Educational Disruption:**

Transitioning to a new site may disrupt the continuity of education, staff retention, and student performance. Strengthening the current school environment should be prioritized over relocation.

I urge Hampshire County Council to reconsider this proposal and explore alternative solutions that prioritize the well-being of current students and the wider community.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my Galaxy

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 11:51  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Henry Court - OBJECTION

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2025 12:01  
**To:** Strategic Planning Unit  
**Subject:** Henry Cort relocation

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I am responding to your proposal of moving Henry Cort Community College to the new school in the North Whiteley development.

Having two boys that live in Whiteley and are impacted by this change I am happy with your proposal but am concerned about the delivery of the new school.

My eldest son will start secondary school in September [REDACTED]. This means he will have to start his secondary school journey at Henry Cort and then be moved across to the newly built school As per your proposal.

This same child was impacted by the Cornerstone school being built and the delays with this. Can you assure the community that there will not be any further delays with the opening date of the North Whiteley school and that it will definitely open on the date you are proposing.

I would not want my child to be left in a school (that currently I would not choose for him to go to) where because a new school is being built there is a lack of funding.

I am aware that he would need to attend Henry Cort to be automatically allocated a place in the new school.

Kind regards

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**From:**  
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**To:**

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10 January 2025 12:18  
Strategic Planning Unit

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Hi

I would like to object the proposal of closing Henry Cort due to future demand which will cause the new secondary school to become oversubscribed.

Thanks

[REDACTED] parent of a child who is currently at a Whiteley primary school.

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