

APPENDIX 1

The following is a summary of the consultation responses, grouped into the general themes:

| Comments / themes against the proposal to close the centre | Number of respondents making the comment |
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| Pregnant girls are vulnerable or isolated at mainstream schools. Reports of pregnant girls being bullied or attacked at mainstream schools. Insufficient support available in schools to properly support the girls. Problems with uniform not fitting. | 21 |
| Beckhampton Centre provides a good service, good education (had a good Ofsted) and provides specialist support for the girls. Helps with early intervention. | 36 |
| Should be more of these centres. | 2 |
| Girls achieve as good or better grades at Beckhampton. | 18 |
| Beckhampton environment supports breast feeding. | 5 |
| Beckhampton has health / mental health benefits - health benefits for both mum and baby. | 13 |
| Nursery at Beckhampton helps improve attendance. Having the nursery at the same site encourages attendance - no worries re child care. Mum able to bond with child and learn important parenting skills. | 16 |
| Pupils or ex pupils at Beckhampton had positive experience. Felt it was good provision and gave lots of support. | 4 |
| Benefits outweigh the costs. Not all the £400k quoted costs are LA funded (so cheaper than reported). | 10 |
| Is it really cheaper to teach them in schools - not enough evidence being shown regarding cost, should be more info. Are there any alternative options or models. Should have more time to discuss possible options with the authority. | 9 |

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| Girls are being discouraged to go to Beckhampton, not being referred or denied the choice. Only one LA officer dealing with this and does not include Beckhampton as an option. Only choices being mentioned are school or Home Ed. This is giving false figures for the popularity of the centre. | 9 |
| General disagreement to the closure. No specific point. | 13 |
| The Centre get pupils referred from health (ante natal) who could be CME or WASPs. These may slip through the net and never get any education. | 4 |

| Comments / themes in favour of closing the Centre | Number of respondents making the comment |
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| Costly and ineffective service. It's a luxury, waste of money. Mainstream schools can provide just as good a service for less cost. Money could be better spent on other services. | 100 |
| Better or as good as education, with a full curriculum at mainstream schools. | 15 |
| Girls achieve better grades at mainstream schools. | 21 |
| Attendance better at mainstream school. Reports of low attendance at BC - or part time attendance. | 1 |
| Ex pupil at Beckhampton preferred it at school. Felt isolated at Beckhampton and eventually went back to school. | 8 |
| Girls should stay at school - inclusion. | 46 |

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| Girls with no school place could be taught by a smaller team - at another PRU for example. | 1 |
| Social benefits of being at a school. | 6 |
| Pupils being pressured into going to Beckhampton by maternity carers and others. | 9 |
| General agreement to the closure. No specific point | 49 |
| Out of date provision. Only three of its type left in the country. | 7 |
| Why no Beckhampton Exam results to view. Feelings that no up to date results were being shared (why was this?) | 7 |
| Smaller service could still be provided - perhaps at the same site - but fewer staff and working closer with schools. | 3 |

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| Some people stated that they were being bullied into signing a petition, the petition has made up signatures and had had their names added (more than once) when they had not agreed to sign the petition. Others felt some were intimidating those who agreed to the closure. | 15 |
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