



## A Public Consultation

# Proposed Expansion of Uxendon Manor Primary School

### 1. Introduction

Uxendon Manor Primary School is a community school located in the northern half of the borough. It provides school places to 420 boys and girls between the ages of 4 – 11. In addition from September 2014 the school agreed to take an additional Reception temporary (bulge) class, making a total of 450 pupils aged 4-11 onsite for the 2014/15 academic year. There is also a nursery with 60 part time places.

Currently, the demand for school places in Brent, as with many outer London boroughs, is increasing. The demand for primary places in the north of the borough specifically has led to the proposal to expand Uxendon Manor Primary School.

Therefore Brent Council in partnership with the Governing Body of Uxendon Manor Primary School is consulting with staff, parents and the community on the option to expand the school by two forms of entry (2FE). The expansion will provide an additional 60 places in each year group (420 new primary places in total). The increase of 60 places in each year group is intended to start at Reception age in September 2015 and rise to Year 6 by September 2021.

**You are invited to a meeting to discuss the proposals at:**

**7pm on Wednesday 6 May 2015 in  
Uxendon Manor Primary School Hall  
Vista Way, Kenton, HA3 0UX**

Alternatively you can give your views in writing or online. Full details can be found in this document.

## 2. The proposal

Brent Council is proposing to expand Uxendon Manor Primary School, Vista Way, Kenton, HA3 0UX by two forms of entry (420 additional places), taking the school capacity from 420 places (Year R – Year 6) to 840 (Year R – Year 6). The school will continue to provide a nursery with 60 part time places.

If the proposal to expand is approved the increase in the number of permanent places at the school will be gradual until the maximum of 840 is reached in September 2021.

Table 1: Number of pupils in each year group in each academic year

Date	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
Sep-14	90	60	60	60	60	60	60	450
Sep-15	120	90	60	60	60	60	60	510
Sep-16	120	120	90	60	60	60	60	570
Sep-17	120	120	120	90	60	60	60	630
Sep-18	120	120	120	120	90	60	60	690
Sep-19	120	120	120	120	120	90	60	750
Sep-20	120	120	120	120	120	120	90	810
Sep-21	120	120	120	120	120	120	120	840

## 3. Why Expand Uxendon Manor School?

- The Brent school place planning strategy has criteria only to expand Good and Outstanding schools according to OFSTED classifications (Office of Standards in Education).
- Uxendon Manor Primary School was classified as a Good school by OFSTED in July 2013.
- In addition year on year Uxendon Manor achieves high Key Stage 2 performances in Reading, Writing and Maths. The 2014 Key Stage 2 results show 92% of all pupils achieve above a level 4 in the above subjects compared to the national average of 79%. By expanding to 4 forms of entry (4FE) Uxendon Manor Primary School will be providing local opportunities for more children to attend a good provision and to enable the school to deliver beyond simply providing an education.
- Uxendon Manor's devotion to disadvantaged pupils through their Pupil Premium Grants ensures all children can develop. Their objectives to ensure pupil participation and develop pastoral support have been achieved through innovative projects such as; subsidising residential visits and utilising a play therapist to develop pastoral care. Expanding Uxendon Manor by 2 forms of entry (2FE) creates more opportunities for a greater number of students from all

	<p>backgrounds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For planning purposes the borough is split into 5 different regions (planning areas) so that local demand can be calculated. Uxendon Manor Primary School and 7 other Brent schools providing primary provision fall into planning area 2. Three of those 7 schools have already been expanded in recent years and the Council is in talks with three of the remaining schools about expanding.</li> </ul>
<p><b>4.</b></p>	<p><b>Construction</b></p> <p>The proposed accommodation for the expansion by 2FE would be of a permanent high quality construction, housed mainly in a new two storey modular building that links to the main school building. It will be designed to optimise educational standards and include class facilities that will maximise the learning and teaching environment e.g. provide greater natural light, optimal room sizes, direct circulation around the building and link with the outside space. The main building will remain largely as existing; however the main school hall will be demolished and a new expanded main hall will be built in the same location, suitable for community usage. Two older temporary rooms will also be demolished and replaced by teaching accommodation in the new building. Building work is expected to start in early 2016 (subject to required approvals) and complete in 12 months.</p>
<p><b>5.</b></p>	<p><b>The growing number of primary school pupils</b></p> <p>The number of children seeking a primary school in Brent is increasing year on year. This is due to several factors e.g. the renewed popularity of Brent schools, the inward migration of families into the borough, the new housing developments throughout the borough attracting new families and the rising birth rates. As a result, in areas of high demand there are insufficient school places.</p> <p>The pressure of increasing demand is already evident with few places available in Brent's 61 primary schools. Brent Council is supportive of the proposed expansion of Uxendon Manor Primary School to help address the shortage of primary school places.</p>
<p><b>6.</b></p>	<p><b>New primary school places</b></p> <p>In March 2014 the Local Authority consulted with all primary schools in the borough to explore the possibility of increasing the number of school places. It has been evident that the demand for Reception places would be greater than the number of available places. This assessment was based on the number of on-time and ad hoc admissions applications received by the Local Authority, the current forecast of student numbers and local factors such as feedback from schools.</p> <p>The Local Authority has reviewed capacity constraints at all primary schools and identified the maximum need for school places in the local areas. Discussions have taken place with schools which were suitable and willing for expansion. This was</p>

followed by an initial feasibility assessment.

Since 2005 the Local Authority has analysed the increased demand for school places and created a programme to increase primary places through permanent expansion of schools and temporary classes across Brent. The table below demonstrates how many permanent and temporary primary places have been created since September 2006.

Table 2: Number of additional places created in Brent since 2006

<b>Total number of additional places (Reception to Year 6)</b>	<b>Permanent places (Reception to Year 6)</b>	<b>Temporary places (Reception to Year 6)</b>
5729	3746	1983

## 7. We would like to hear from you

Brent Council and Governors of Uxendon Manor Primary School are at the moment consulting all interested parties including parents and staff at the school, all schools in Brent and neighbouring boroughs with an aim to receive feedback on the proposal. This consultation is the first step in the process of possible expansion; a further consultation on the proposed building works and planning application will also take place around Summer 2015.

We would welcome your views on the proposal to expand the school by 2FE. If you have any comments that you would like to make in relation to this proposal, you can either use the attached tear-off response form or write to:

**Judith Joseph**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Brent Civic Centre**  
**Engineers Way**  
**Wembley**  
**Middlesex HA9 0FJ**

**Or**

Send an email to: **[judith.joseph@brent.gov.uk](mailto:judith.joseph@brent.gov.uk)**

Copies of this consultation document are also available at the school reception.

Alternatively, this document can be downloaded from:

<http://www.brent.gov.uk/currentconsultations>

All written comments must be received by: **25 May 2015**

**8. You can also attend a public meeting for parents, carers and the community which has been arranged to discuss the proposed expansion of Uxendon Manor Primary School.**

**Date: Wednesday 6 May 2015**

**Time: 7pm**

**Venue: Uxendon Manor Primary School  
Vista Way  
Kenton  
HA3 0UX**

**9. The procedures for reorganisation**

Brent Council in partnership with Uxendon Manor Primary School intends to meet with staff, parents and the local community, to receive their views.

If, after the consultation, the school's Governing Body decides to proceed with the expansion then a statutory proposal will be published in the local papers and will also be placed at public places e.g. the local library and on the main entrances to Uxendon Manor Primary School.

Thereafter a 4 week representation period will commence during which anybody can write to make formal representations on the proposals. Representations can be in the form of support, suggestions or objections to the proposal. All representations will be presented to Brent Council's Cabinet which will make a decision on the proposal.

Table 3: 5 stages for a proposal for an excepted school expansion:

Consultation	Publication	Representation	Decision	Implementation
↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Not prescribed (minimum of 4 weeks recommended) This stage is informal i.e. non-statutory	1 day	<b>Must</b> be 4 weeks UNLESS related to another statutory proposal which has a 6 week representation period	The Brent Cabinet must decide the proposals within 2 months	No prescribed timescale – but must be as specified in the published notice, subject to any modifications agreed by the Brent Cabinet

## **10. Consultees**

This document is being sent to:

Uxendon Manor Primary School: parents, staff, governors and student council  
All maintained schools and Academies in Brent  
Brent Council  
Westminster Diocesan Education Service  
London Diocesan Board for Schools  
London Borough of Ealing  
London Borough of Barnet  
London Borough of Camden  
London Borough of Harrow  
London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham  
London Borough of Westminster  
Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea  
Local Resident Associations  
All Councillors  
Local Member of Parliament  
All Brent Customer Service Shops  
All Brent Libraries  
All Brent Children Centres  
Sport England  
Secretary of State, School Organisation Unit  
Local private nurseries  
Any trade unions who represent staff of Uxendon Manor Primary School  
Representatives of main trade unions in Brent  
Early Years and Family Support Service  
Early Years Quality and Improvement Team  
Parent and Toddler groups in the area  
Chartwells  
ISA Coaching Ltd  
Kidz Club  
G's Dolphins

## Uxendon Manor Primary School Consultation Response Slip

Please tear off and return by: **25 May 2015**

I agree / disagree with Brent Council to expand the school by two forms of entry (2FE) to form a 4FE school *Delete as appropriate*

**Comments:**

*(Please use the back of this form if you require more space)*

**Signed** .....

**Parent / member of staff / other** .....*please specify*

**Please send to:**

**Judith Joseph  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Brent Civic Centre  
Engineers Way  
Wembley, Middlesex, HA9 0FJ**

**Or email** [judith.joseph@brent.gov.uk](mailto:judith.joseph@brent.gov.uk)

## Comments continued:

### About you

By answering the following questions, you will help us ensure that we deliver a fair service to all our community. You do not have to give us this information, but we hope you will. All information will be treated in the strictest of confidence and will only be used to monitor and improve Brent Council services.

### Gender (please tick one):

Male		Female	
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### My age group (please tick one):

0 -15		16-24	
25-34		35-44	
45-54		55-64	
65-74		75+	

### Which one of these groups do you feel you belong to (please tick one)?

Asian Indian		Asian Pakistani	
Asian Bangladeshi		Asian Other	
Black Caribbean		Black African	
Black Other		Chinese	
Mixed White and Black Caribbean		Mixed White and Black African	
Mixed White and Asian		Mixed Other	
White British		White Irish	
White Other		Other Ethnic Group	