



# Staynor Hall

Engaging with parents and  
the community in Selby



## **INTRODUCTION**

Ebor Academy Trust has an obligation to consult under Section 10 of the Academies Act 2010 about the proposal for a new school at Staynor Hall, Selby.

This report outlines the various ways Ebor Academy Trust engaged with stakeholders and the local community of Selby in the run up to the opening of the new school in September 2016. It details how such engagement comprised the consultation spread over several months and contributed to the development of a wraparound care option, which suggests will be a valuable and popular part of the new school. And it allowed input and debate into the rationale behind the new school via an open evening and an interactive website.

## **RATIONALE BEHIND THE OPENING OF A NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL**

North Yorkshire County Council has a statutory duty to ensure that there are sufficient, high quality school places within the County. Where the local authority determines that a new school is needed it is required under the Education Act 2011 to seek proposals to establish an Academy or Free School.

In addition, the Council has a statutory duty under the Childcare Act 2006 to secure sufficient childcare for parents to work or to undertake education or training which could lead to employment and to secure free early years provision for all 3 and 4 year olds (and the most vulnerable 2 year olds) of 15 hours a week, 38 weeks a year.

Following consultation with the local community it was determined by the local authority that a new school was needed.

Staynor Hall is a housing development in Selby town which was given planning approval for 1,200 dwellings in 2005. Around 500 homes have been completed with a further 700 outstanding. To date around 100 additional pupils have resulted from the housing and been absorbed into local schools. Children living in the development attend a number of existing schools across the Selby town and rural area with significant numbers at Barwic Parade CP, Brayton Primary and Selby Abbey CE Primary Schools.

Barwic Parade CP is the nearest school to the development and the Staynor Hall housing development falls within its current catchment area. Schools across the Selby town area are becoming full as primary pupil numbers are now rising alongside housing growth. Barwic Parade school is forecast to be full after 2015/16. Sixty additional places have already been provided in temporary accommodation to meet growing need. There is limited further

potential for expansion on this site following earlier expansions including the provision of a Children's Centre and enhanced provision for SEN.

There are other significant housing developments planned in Selby. There are 3,000 additional dwellings planned in addition to Staynor Hall. Of these up to 1,000 are planned for Olympia Park (off Barlby Road to the East of Selby) which is Selby District Council's principal housing site and which recently obtained planning permission. A further 2,000 are planned on other sites across the town, yet to be formally agreed. This will further increase the need for primary pupil places and concentrate demand in the town centre. The extent to which individual schools experience pressure will depend on the timing of housing coming forward in particular parts of the town.

Although construction on the Staynor Hall site slowed considerably during the financial downturn the developers are now keen to progress the scheme and anticipate constructing the remaining dwellings at a pace of 50-60 per annum.

There is limited potential for expanding existing school sites to accommodate all of the planned housing in Selby town and a need to ensure that pupil places are available as the remaining housing comes on stream. It was considered that a new site should be developed to deliver the additional pupil places arising from the Staynor Hall development.

Consultation undertaken in Autumn 2013 indicated that the preference of the community was for a wholly new school rather than a satellite of an existing school and there was no appetite from parents for existing primary schools to expand in this way. There was, however, support from other local schools to work very closely with any new provider.

An agreement was been signed which required the developer to make available a suitable site for a new primary school building and to provide £2m by way of a financial contribution towards the construction of a new school site and building.

The County Council decided in January 2014 that a new school was needed and that expressions of interest should be sought from potential sponsors in parallel with developing the school site and building.

On the basis of the current forecasts and extra pupils arising from housing it was anticipated that a new school site would be needed from September 2016.

It was assumed that the new site would initially open to KS1 pupils in the first year building up year on year to a full roll of 210 pupils (plus nursery) thereafter although this was a matter to be agreed between the local authority and the Academy sponsor once appointed. It would need to take account of the impact on other local schools and post-opening funding.

**Catchment area:**

The school was to occupy a single site within the Staynor Hall development. The catchment area for the school will include the entire Staynor Hall development.

**Transport arrangements:**

It was anticipated that the school will primarily be accessed on foot or by bicycle although the site will be accessible to vehicles. It was not anticipated that pupils would be entitled to free home to school transport. The County Council's home to school transport policy will apply.

**Age range:**

The school is intended to serve pupils between the ages of 2 and 11 although early years' provision could be provided through separate private or voluntary provision.

**Gender:**

The school will be for both boys and girls.

**Admission arrangements:**

It was expected that priority for admission to the school be given to children living within the Staynor Hall development on the basis of proximity and through the establishment of a catchment or normal area. It was anticipated that the school will be available to children from all faiths or none on an equal basis.

It was expected that the Academy adopt the oversubscription criteria which apply to other state primary schools in Selby. The admission number for the reception year will be 30.

**Nursery provision**

A 26 place nursery class was to be provided to cater for 3 and 4 year olds plus at least 13 places for eligible 2 year olds. North Yorkshire County Council was open to proposals from the Academy provider as to whether this provision will be operated by the Academy or by a third party provider. Admission to the nursery provision may be from a wider area than the normal area of the school.

A guarantee was sought to make the nursery accommodation available for the delivery of early years and childcare for children aged 2 – 4 from the day on which the school opens.

**Special educational needs:**

There was to be no specialist resourced provision for pupils with special education needs. The Academy would be expected to serve children with special educational needs in its catchment area for whom mainstream education is considered appropriate and to work with other providers and services in meeting the needs of pupils with special educational needs and disabilities.

**Equality and diversity:**

All potential sponsors are required to demonstrate their commitment to inclusion, to promoting equality and diversity and to eliminating unlawful discrimination and harassment.

It was considered that proposers must have an ambitious vision for the Academy, setting high expectations for both pupils and staff. There should be a strong culture of working in collaboration with other education providers locally and in other parts of North Yorkshire, with headteachers and the Local Authority. Proposers must also have been able to demonstrate their approach to engaging with partner agencies and services which contribute to improving children's outcomes in the local area.

The Academy should expect to be judged by Ofsted to be at least good with a strong trajectory towards outstanding. Relationships with pupils, parents and carers and other local stakeholders should be open, purposeful and viewed positively by all.

## **INTRODUCTION TO THE EBOR ACADEMY TRUST**

The Ebor Academy Trust is a non-for-profit charity which consists of a group of schools working in partnership. Ebor is a multi-academy trust for local children aged 2-16. Our belief is that all children should be given the opportunity to achieve their best within a safe and caring school community. When children leave any Academy in our group, we ensure that they have developed a range of qualities, attitudes and skills that will prepare them effectively for the future.

The Ebor Academy Trust is best placed to provide a system that develops the quality of Teaching and Learning, supports those working in the school community in closing the education performance gap, develops a system to support recruitment and retention and creates a climate of sustainable collaboration.

### **Vision**

Our Trust develops strong relationships and trust between all schools, a partnership whereby strengths in all settings are shared, a working-with relationship rather than a doing-to relationship. We work closely together to establish a partnership model that will benefit all children in all schools in our group. We aim to build a sustainable, dynamic organisation that will provide developmental opportunities for staff and in the wider school community.

The Ebor Academy Trust can develop a new school through having a clear understanding of the needs of young people. Our approach centres on early intervention in language learning, early introduction of specialist teachers into the classroom and tailoring programme and curriculum to make appropriate provision for individuals.

All our students will leave us with potential fulfilled, ready to take an appropriate place in a global society and proud to have belonged to an Ebor school.

The new Selby school will create a natural partnership with our existing school in nearby Brotherton and Byram, which already works in collaboration with schools in the Selby area. Looking forward, our school staff and our partners will work together to support the delivery of the three elements of our integrated mission:

- to achieve excellence in our academy schools,
- to provide excellence in others through our school-to school support service,
- and in driving growth in our academy group, bring on board schools that collaborate and contribute.

Together we can make a difference in the lives of the young people we work with.

## **COMMUNICATIONS PLAN FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT OF EBOR ACADEMY TRUST AS ACADEMY SPONSOR**

### **Aim of the communications plan:**

- To ensure a positive message is communicated about the joint commitment of North Yorkshire County Council and Ebor Academy Trust to the provision of high quality education in Selby
- To encourage families to feel confident in what the new school will deliver and to encourage participation in any debate.
- To keep all stakeholders informed during the building of the new school
- To ensure parents have enough information about the school to apply for a place if they want one for their child
- To manage the interface with politicians, the press and the wider community in the period leading up to the opening of the new school
- To promote and protect the reputations of the County Council and Ebor Academy Trust as partners in the development of the new school.

### **Terms of reference:**

It has been agreed that a joint communications plan will be established between NYCC and Ebor Trust and monitored by an Engagement Group, meeting regularly, which has responsibility for monitoring progress towards the opening of the new school.

It is agreed that communications about the new school will be agreed jointly between NYCC and Ebor Trust to ensure that messages are clear and coherent. Where the focus of the communication is around school admissions processes, the capital project, school place planning issues etc the lead will be taken by NYCC. Where the focus is on the education vision, curriculum delivery or staffing the lead will be taken by Ebor.

Any material produced for public release including signage, newsletters, press releases etc will be jointly branded with logos of both NYCC and Ebor. Appropriate representation from NYCC and/or Ebor at any events connected with the new school prior to opening will be agreed by the Engagement Group.

Once the school is open, but while NYCC remains financially committed, press releases and other external communication will be led by Ebor Academy Trust but continue to be jointly agreed between NYCC and Ebor at least until the end of the first term of operation.

### **Who will we need to communicate with?**

- Potential pupils and their families
- Other education and early years providers in the area, including existing schools
- Residents of Staynor Hall estate
- Other relevant service providers
- Relevant political representatives
- Senior managers/officers within NYCC and Ebor Trust
- Consultants – Jacobs
- Contractors – Parkinson
- The wider Selby community
- DfE liaison officer.

### **How will we communicate?**

- Press statements and releases
- Council meetings
- Open days
- NYCC and Ebor websites
- School prospectus
- Guide for Parents
- Hoardings and signage on site
- Member briefings
- Formal reports to NYCC members and Ebor board.

### **When will we communicate?**

- Key points in the admission of children to the school
- Start on site of the build
- Key building milestones
- Building completion/handover
- When staff appointments are made
- When the school opens.



**Key activities:**

- A turf-cutting ceremony will take place on 29 June with an associated and appropriately branded press release.
- A further schedule of press releases will be agreed in line with the above milestones. They will be led by the appropriate partner with appropriate sign off and release agreed.
- A newsletter will be produced by Ebor and agreed with NYCC to be circulated to an agreed circulation list. It was agreed that the first newsletter be published in November 2015 with admission details and advertising the date of an open evening; and a further newsletter would be published in the summer term 2016, containing details of opportunities for parents to look around the new school.
- Ebor will produce marketing materials for the new school including a prospectus in the early part of the Summer term 2016.
- Ebor will establish the school website, load content and establish appropriate links with other resources including the NYCC website.
- NYCC will produce the Guide for Parents including information about the new school.
- Ebor and NYCC will agree with the contractors the content/style of site hoardings.
- Ebor will agree the details for the installation of a timelapse camera and agree how the content will be used.
- A hard hat tour is proposed in the latter phases of construction with media involvement and the headteacher (once designated).
- Twitter and other social media may be used by NYCC and/or Ebor but pre opening this will be drawn only from agreed press information. This will be reviewed as the project progresses.
- An official opening will be arranged with representation from both NYCC and Ebor. It will be conducted by the Deputy Lieutenant of North Yorkshire and attended by senior staff from NYCC and Ebor, as well as parents and children, on 9 September 2016.

## ENGAGING WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

### A turf cutting ceremony heralded the first press release in June 2015:

*A special turf cutting ceremony on Monday heralds the start of building work on Selby's newest primary school.*

*Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy will open in September 2016 and will address the need for additional school places arising from the Staynor Hall housing development.*

*It will offer 210 places plus a nursery and is designed to encourage community use of the facilities.*

*Representatives from North Yorkshire County Council, designers Jacobs, builders Parkinsons and York-based Ebor Academy Trust, who were appointed as academy sponsors to run the 210-place primary school, will be at the turf cutting ceremony.*

*The Staynor Hall housing development, which was approved in 2005, will eventually comprise about 1,200 homes. A further 3,000 homes are planned elsewhere in Selby.*

*Local schools and the community were consulted by the county council in 2013 on the future pattern of educational provision in the town, given rising school numbers and proposed housing development. The preference was for a new school, which would be a sponsored academy.*

*Since then the county council has developed proposals for the school buildings and secured planning permission. The turf cutting ceremony is an important milestone and marks the beginning of the main construction work.*

*All new schools now have to be either free schools or academies and Staynor Hall marks the first such school for the County Council, which has provided the site. The county council*



*will meet all costs in setting it up, with a contribution towards capital costs and the provision of the site from house builders Persimmon.*

*County Councillor Arthur Barker, North Yorkshire's Executive Member for Schools, said: "We welcome this important step forward in primary school provision in Selby and will work closely with our partners, the Ebor Academy Trust. We want all children in North Yorkshire to have access to good or outstanding schools and as numbers of children increase in areas where housing development is part of the local plan, we will take all necessary steps to meet demand. This development represents the biggest single investment in local educational facilities for many years."*

*The current estimated cost of the school is £5.5m. Funding comes from a combination of contributions from the developer and county council capital through the Schools Capital Programme.*

*Richard Ludlow, director of education with the Ebor Academy Trust, which runs successful primaries across Yorkshire, said: "Our belief is that all children should be given the opportunity to achieve their best within a safe and caring school community.*

*"Our approach centres on early intervention in language learning, early introduction of specialist teachers into the classroom and tailoring programme and curriculum to make appropriate provision for individuals."*

*Mr Ludlow said the new school would create a natural partnership with Brotherton and Byram Primary School which will join the Ebor Academy Trust when it converts to academy status on 1 July. It already works in collaboration with schools in the Selby area.*

*Progress on the development can be followed at [www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org) , which also has a link to the admissions procedure for parents considering sending their child there.*

*Admissions for the new school will be co-ordinated through North Yorkshire County Council's admissions team at Jesmond House in Harrogate, in common with other schools in the area.*

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**A subsequent press release was issued in August 2015:**

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*York-based Ebor Academy Trust have been appointed as academy sponsors to run the school. All new schools now have to be either free schools or academies and Staynor Hall marks the first such school for North Yorkshire County Council. The county council will meet all costs in setting it up, with a contribution towards capital costs and the provision of the site from house builders Persimmon.*

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## Open Evening

An open evening was planned for 24 November 2015 to introduce the newly appointed Headteacher Designate to talk about Ebor Academy Trust and the vision for the new school. It was also the first formal opportunity for the community to talk face-to-face with members of the Ebor team and NYCC admissions team.



10,000 A5 flyers were printed to advertise the event. Some 8,000 were inserted into the local newspaper, the Selby Times and 2,000 were hand-delivered to the Staynor Hall estate and to GP surgeries, libraries and other community meeting places in Selby.

**Selby's  
new primary  
school opens  
September 2016**

  
Staynor Hall

**Come to our  
Open Evening to  
find out more –  
Tuesday  
24 November  
6pm to 7.30pm at  
Selby Town Hall**



Admissions now open for children starting Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in September next year. We are also accepting children in a mixed Year 3 and Year 4 class.

[www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org)

 

**A new  
primary school  
for Selby**

  
Staynor Hall

If you have children due to start school in Reception in September 2016, admissions are now open for places at the new Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy.

This is a brand new primary school, currently being built in the heart of the Staynor Hall development and due to open September 2016. In order to cater for families with children of different ages, in September next year we are also accepting children in Year 1 and Year 2 and a mixed Year 3 and 4 class.

Admissions are being coordinated through North Yorkshire County Council ([www.northyorks.gov.uk](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk)). The deadline for applications is 15 January 2016.

A 24-place provision for two-year-olds and a 52-place nursery will also be opening next year. For more details when they become available, see our website: [www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org)

  
**Find out more at our Open Evening  
Tuesday 24 November  
6pm to 7.30pm at Selby Town Hall**

  
Currently still a building site this is how the new school is expected to look when it opens next year.

**A press release was also issued:**

*Parents of primary school age children are invited to attend an open evening at Selby Town Hall to find out more about the new Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy, which is on track to open in September next year.*

*The event is from 6pm to 7.30pm on Thursday 24 November. Mrs Gail Brown, headteacher designate of the new school, says it will be an informal get-together to explain what's happening and a representative from North Yorkshire County Council will also be on hand to help with any admissions queries.*

*The local authority has assessed the need for extra primary school places which are likely to arise from the new housing in different year groups in 2016/2017. As a result it has been agreed that the new school, in addition to opening up 30 Reception places to children starting school for the first time, should also offer places to children in Years 1, 2, 3 and 4. This will enable families moving into the development with children in these year groups to have a school place close to where they will be living. It is thought that there is unlikely to be sufficient demand for places in Years 5 and 6 to make it necessary to open places in these year groups.*

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*At next Thursday's event, Mrs Brown will also give details of the 24-place provision for two-year-olds. A 52-place nursery will also be opening next year.*

*The new school will be run by York-based Ebor Academy Trust, who have a track record of running excellent primary schools across Yorkshire.*

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At the open event, attendees received the first newsletter and were asked to complete a postcard in order that their details were added to a database so they could be contacted at a later date with more information. The postcard and the newsletter also contained references to the new website, on which browsers can add their details so as to automatically receive updates as and when they are made.



It was a very well attended event and introduced to the Ebor team the prospect of offering wraparound care.

This was the press release issued after the event:

***Enthusiasm grows for Selby's new primary school***

*It was standing room only at Selby Town Hall as parents gathered to learn more about the new Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy, currently being built and which opens in September 2016.*

*Headteacher designate Mrs Gail Brown, with colleagues from other schools in the York-based Ebor Academy Trust, which will run the new school, addressed over 150 parents, carers and children at an information evening last Tuesday.*

*Mrs Brown said: "There was a lot of enthusiasm in the room for the new school and I am privileged to be its first headteacher. We are very keen to be part of the family of schools in Selby and I'm delighted that everyone is looking forward to the new school in Staynor Hall."*

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*Parents were told that building work is progressing well and the school will open in time. It will be equipped with the latest technology and will also host a Tiny Steps Academy for eligible two-year-olds and a nursery for three- and four-year-olds.*

*"Parents were asking about wrap around care – breakfast clubs and after school provision. We will certainly be offering this provision as part of our ambition for the school to be at the heart of the Staynor Hall community. We have yet to work out the details, and the timings of the provision, but we will aim to fit in with what the demand is. It's the same, too, with the idea of holiday clubs. If there is sufficient demand, we will do our best to satisfy that demand."*

*More details, once agreed, will be posted to the new school's website, [www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org) and parents can add their email addresses onto the site to receive automatic notifications when new information is released.*

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*The deadline for admissions is 15 January. All admissions to the new school itself is being coordinated through North Yorkshire County Council's website, [www.northyorks.gov.uk](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk).*

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Early Years provision and wraparound care was then the focus of a further press release and website update, in January 2016:

***New school urges parents to help them establish an early years provision***

*Selby's newest primary school, the Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy which opens in September, wants to find out from parents of toddlers if they are interested in an early years provision.*

*"We're keen to set up a Tiny Steps Academy for two-year-olds and a nursery for three- and four-year-olds," said headteacher designate Mrs Gail Brown.*

*"Our Tiny Steps Academy will be run by a highly qualified team led by an Early Years teacher and we will be able to offer brand new and high quality indoor and outdoor facilities."*

*Eligible families can receive 15 hours of free care per week for their two-year-olds and the school's website explains the eligibility criteria. However all three- and four-year-olds receive 15 hours' worth of nursery for free.*

*The new school is also exploring the idea of wrap around care for early years – from 7.30am until 6pm. "At our open evening, there was a lot of interest for this kind of provision – we're now asking parents to go to our website and let us know some preferred options. From there, we can work out what's going to work best for the majority of people."*

*The website is at [www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org)*

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**The following detail was published on the website:**

*Help us to set up an Early Years provision, for two-year-olds and three- and four-year-olds, that's just right for you and your family.*

*Without committing yourself, please take a few moments to read through our ideas and let us know what you think. We'll then try and work out a provision to suit as many families as we can.*

***Tiny Steps Academy – for two-year-olds***

*If you have a child born between 1 April 2014 and 1 May 2015, please consider our 'Tiny Steps Academy', which starts this September when the brand new Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy opens.*

*Our Tiny Steps Academy will be run by a highly qualified team led by an Early Years teacher and we will be able to offer new and high quality indoor and outdoor facilities.*

*Eligible families (see criteria, below) receive 15 hours for free and while they receive preference, if there are fewer than 12 children per session, places will be available to families who are prepared to pay.*

*We want to know what demand there might be for such a provision. Below is what we're thinking. Would this be useful for you? Please let us know by completing this form.*

*I accept that at this stage I am not committing myself, just helping the Tiny Steps Academy gauge the level of provision that might be required (formal applications for places commence mid-February). I would be interested in:*

*[tick box if applicable] Session A: Monday and Tuesday, 8.30am to 3.30pm plus Wednesday 8.30am to 11.30am*

*OR*

*[tick box if applicable] Session B: Wednesday 12.30pm to 3.30pm plus Thursday and Friday, 8.30am to 3.30pm*

*Would you like your child to have a place at either Session A or Session B and top up extra sessions? [Yes/No]*

*Are you entitled to funding (see criteria below)? [Yes/No]*

*Would you like your child to make use of the wrap around care provision, in the morning 7.30-8.30am @£3.50 per session [Yes/No] and/or the afternoon 3.30-6.00pm @£6.50 per session [Yes/No]*

*Child's full name.....*

*Child's date of birth.....*

*My name.....*

Address.....

Email address.....

Telephone number.....

Please use this space to add any comments.....

Parents may choose to top up funding to enable their child to have more sessions. Sessions will be charged at £4.75 per hour to include lunch, toast and snacks on full days.

Please note, an offer of a place in our Tiny Steps Academy does not guarantee a Reception place, for which there is a separate application process.

Thanks for taking part.

### **Eligibility criteria**

Some two-year-olds can get free early education and childcare – that's 15 hours' worth of free funding. Entitled families have priority.

To qualify, you must be in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- Tax credits and have an annual income under £16,190 before tax
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- The Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Universal Credit.

Children are also entitled to a place if:

- they are looked after by a local council
- they have a current statement of special education needs (SEN) or an education health and care plan
- they receive Disability Living Allowance
- they have left care under a special guardianship order, child arrangements order or adoption order.

If your child is eligible, you can start claiming after they turn two years old. The date you can claim will depend on when their birthday is.

*Child's birthday – When you can claim*

*1 January to 31 March – the beginning of term on or after 1 April*

*1 April to 31 August – the beginning of term on or after 1 September*

*1 September to 31 December – the beginning of term on or after 1 January.*

***Staynor Hall Nursery – for three- and four-year-olds***

*If you have a child born between 1 September 2012 and 30 March 2014, why not think about Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy's Nursery provision, which starts this September when the school opens. All three- and four-year-olds receive 15 hours' worth of nursery time for free.*

*Our Nursery will be led by qualified teachers, with appropriate support, and we will be able to offer new and high quality indoor and outdoor facilities.*

*We want to know what demand there might be for such a provision. Below is what we're thinking. Would this be useful for you? Please let us know by completing this form.*

*I accept that at this stage I am not committing myself, just helping the Staynor Hall Nursery gauge the level of provision that might be required (formal applications for places commence mid-February). I would be interested in:*

*[tick box if applicable] Session A: Monday and Tuesday, 8.30am to 3.30pm plus Wednesday 8.30am to 11.30am*

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Child's full name.....

Child's date of birth.....

My name.....

Address.....

Email address.....

Telephone number.....

Please use this space to add any comments.....

Parents may choose to top up funding to enable their child to have more sessions. Sessions will be charged at £3.50 per hour to include lunch on full days.

Please note, an offer of a place in our Staynor Hall Nursery does not guarantee a Reception place, for which there is a separate application process.

Thanks for taking part.

These comments were received via the website in response:

*"I would most definitely like to see an early years provision. We are a family living on Staynor at the moment and both work full time, so this option would be of great benefit to us and I'm sure lots of other working families in and around the estate."*

*"As a family with 2 full time working parents, it would be greatly beneficial to us if the school were to provide wrap around care for our child in reception class. If such a provision were made available, we would need it from 8am until 5.15pm."*

*"Brilliant. I have a 2 year old who I would be looking to start with yourselves when he is 3 as I've applied for daughter at the primary school with yourselves too. So it would be a very much welcomed idea. I would be looking for him to start January 2017. By the way the school is looking lovely. hope my daughter gets a place. Thankyou. Staynor Hall resident too."*

*"As a family of 2 working parents and a resident of Staynor Hall the opening times stated would make the new school an option for us. Like many I would have an academic year with 1 child in reception class and 1 child in nursery so if these times apply to all provision I will definitely be applying for places."*

*"I would definitely welcome an early years section as part of the new Staynor Hall School. The idea of before and after school care would also be an amazing facility for those working "out of normal school hours". This new school is going to be a very welcome step in the right direction if all goes to plan. Lucky us living in close proximity!"*

STAYNOR HALL COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY  
Engaging with parents and the community in Selby

**Staynor Hall Nursery**  
For three- and four-year-olds getting ready for full time education  
Help us to set up a perfect Nursery provision for **three- and four-year-olds** at the new Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy  
We'd very much like you to visit our website at [www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org) and let us know if this is something you would be interested in.  
We want to set up a service that works with the majority of parents in this area. So please – help us to help you.  
Formal applications for places commence mid-February via our website.  
If you don't have access to the internet, please call our helpline on 01904 555401.

**Tiny Steps Academy**  
For two-year-olds to play together  
Help us to set up our Tiny Steps Academy provision for **two-year-olds** at the new Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy  
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Staynor Hall  
Opening here in September

● Led by qualified teachers ● New and high quality indoor and outdoor facilities ● Details at: [www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org)

● Led by a qualified Early Years teacher ● New indoor and outdoor facilities ● Full details at: [www.staynorhallschool.org](http://www.staynorhallschool.org)

Large banners on the hoardings around the school site alerted the local community to information regarding the early years provision.

Headteacher Designate, Gail Brown, with support from the Ebor corporate services team, individually telephoned all parents of young children who expressed an interest in using the Tiny Steps Academy (two-year-old provision) and the Staynor Hall Nursery (three- and four-year-olds provision). This resulted in useful dialogue in establishing connections between the new school and its community. Subsequently, most of the places at both provisions are now taken.

Latest admissions information (April 2016) state that in September 2016, the Reception class of 30 children is now full with one child on the waiting list; there are 16 children registered for Year 1, 13 for Year 2 and 12 for a combined Year 3 and 4 class.

Headteacher Designate, Gail Brown, has also been in contact with other headteachers in the area and believes the new school will quickly integrate into the family of Selby schools.

## **CONCLUSION**

Following North Yorkshire County Council's own consultation, before Ebor Academy Trust was appointed as Academy sponsor, clear evidence emerged of the need for a new school. The local community rejected options of expanding local schools to accommodate extra pupils in preference for a new build at the heart of a new housing estate.

Local schools responded positively to the announcement of a new school to be built, citing extreme pressure on existing places as the reason they would welcome additional provision.

NYCC made it clear that the Academy sponsor should work closely with the authority in making sure the provision was to be of a high standard and would sit comfortably within the existing family of schools within Selby.

Ebor Academy Trust is confident that all such criteria have been met and that a positive, constructive and effective working relationship with NYCC has been established. This will hopefully bring benefits to both parties in the future.

We consider the engagement with parents and the local community has been valuable, worthwhile and has positively influenced decision-making, especially in the area of wraparound care and early years provision.