

**STATUTORY NOTICE
ROCHDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

PROPOSED CLOSURE OF DERBY STREET NURSERY SCHOOL, HEYWOOD

Notice is given in accordance with section 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Rochdale Borough Council, Number One Riverside, Smith Street, ROCHDALE, OL16 1XU, intends to discontinue Derby Street Nursery School, Derby Street, Heywood, OL10 4QJ on 31st March 2015.

Consultation on the proposed closure was carried out between 6th October 2014 and 23rd November 2014 and all statutory consultation requirements relating to this proposal have been complied with.

Derby Street Nursery School has places for 39 full-time equivalent nursery age children. There are currently no pupils on roll at the school. There are enough places elsewhere in the Heywood Township that are OfSTED graded good or better, to meet overall demand.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal, which is published on the Council website at <http://consultations.rochdale.gov.uk/research/derbystreet> . Alternatively a copy of the proposal can be obtained by writing to Robert Aspinall, School Organisation & Development Team, Early Help and Schools, Rochdale Borough Council, Number One Riverside, Smith Street, ROCHDALE OL16 1XU.

Within four weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments by e-mail to robert.aspinall@rochdale.gov.uk, or in writing to this address: Robert Aspinall, School Organisation & Development Team, Early Help and Schools, Rochdale Borough Council, Number One Riverside, Smith Street, ROCHDALE OL16 1XU.

Signed: Gail Hopper,
Director of Children's Services

8th January 2015

Explanatory Notes:

The full report to Rochdale Borough Council Cabinet on 15th December 2014 sets out the reasons for the closure of Derby Street Nursery School. Not enough children wanted places at the school, so it could not be financially viable. The Cabinet report includes evidence of consultation on this proposal. A copy of the report can be accessed