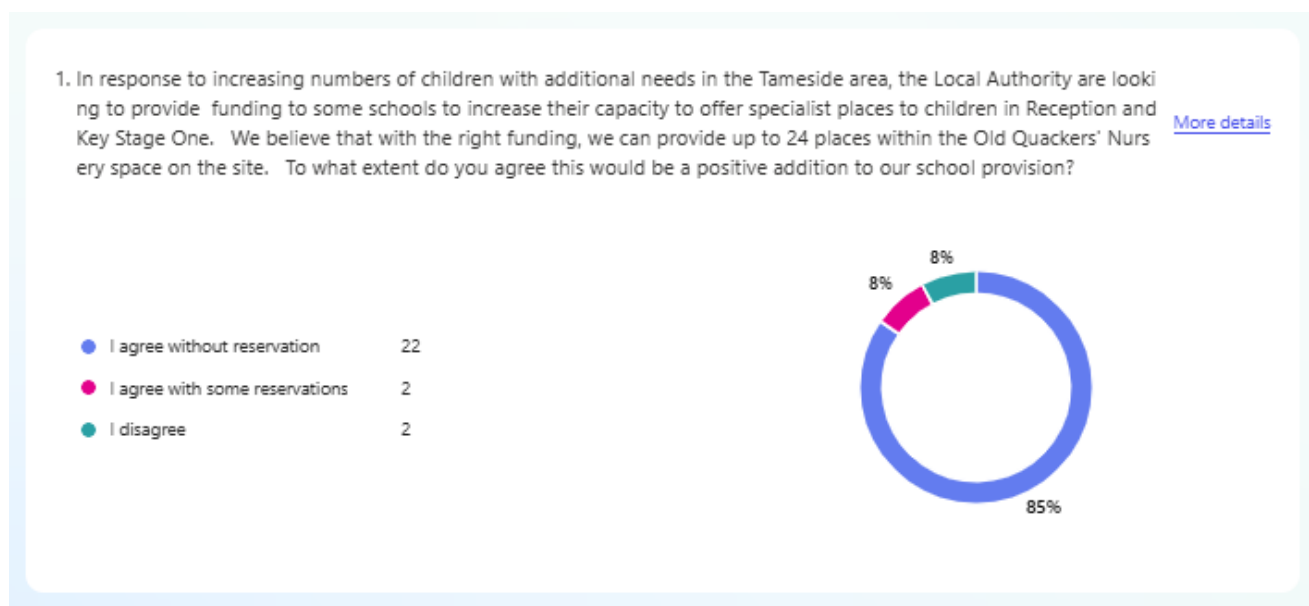
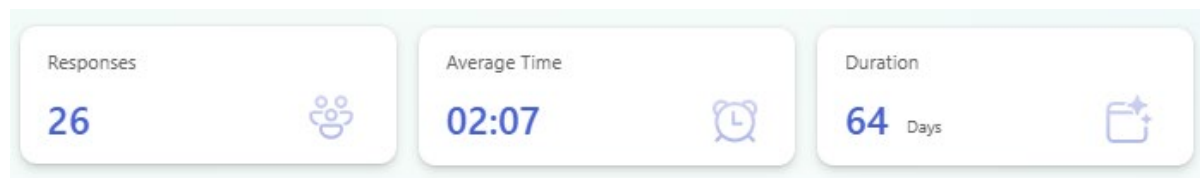


## Additional Resource Provision @Silver Springs

### Consultation Response Summary: Parents and Community

**Scope:** The forms survey was circulated to all parents and carers within the school community via all our school communication platforms: Seesaw, Classdojo, Bromcom and the school website. The survey was open for anyone to respond who had the link. It was accompanied by an overview of the plans. The survey directly reached a minimum of 550 individual parents.



Respondents were provided with an open text box to share their reservations and questions. The responses are shown below.

Positive Responses
I think this is an amazing idea as there are so many children now with SEN but nowhere near enough places for them to receive the best education and care for their needs
I fully support this plan, it is very positive for the school
I have no reservations. I feel that this is an amazing opportunity for this school and for the pupils moving forward SEN provision across the local authority is desperately needed. With the right level of resource this proposed new provision could actually be priceless to families.
I don't have any
I think it is amazing what you are doing and the SEN staff are amazing it's so hard for parents to get their kids what they need and this will make more places for kids that need it
N/A I think it's a brilliant idea/plan and will benefit the children who need it the most
No reservations this provision is very much needed in Tameside and 100% support it
None, the school is amazing. Well done
No Reservations
I think it's a good idea to help SEN children have a place in education
Absolutely brilliant! So many families will benefit from this!
Would benefit so many young children and their parents/carers
I think this would be a great addition to the school.

I agree completely that this would be an amazing opportunity for families like my own. SEND children deserve a place to learn, feel safe and supported and to be part of a fully inclusive environment whilst in school. My Son is lucky he already has this but there are so many other children and families that are not as lucky.

I work in SEN and I think this is great as children need to be around each other regardless of disabilities and barriers. Well done

### **Reservations**

I don't think this will work out. I think there is enough children at the school with an EHCP or SEN, and i think taking on more children with SEN would be a disaster. I think school should put more funding towards the children they have now, employ more staff, as i know that's always an issue, and maybe do more one on one with the children at the school now. I just don't think having an additional 24 children would be beneficial at this moment in time. Others may strongly disagree with me, but having a child who needs extra support and facing numerous issues, i would hate to think my child's care/needs wouldn't be fully met.

#### **School Response:**

Thank you for your response, it is understandable to worry about resources being diverted away from your child to meet the needs of others, however we are working with the local authority to ensure that the new provision is self-sufficient in terms of funding and staffing. In fact we are working to ensure that the additional funding will give us the flexibility to enhance the work that we already do with the children in the mainstream provision.

I believe this is a good idea. However, I would like assurances that it will not affect staffing levels or the ability to meet the needs of the children currently enrolled at SSPA. There have already been concerns regarding staff shortages, which have had an impact on SEND children, and it is important to ensure that this initiative does not exacerbate those challenges.

#### **School response:**

On the contrary, we anticipate that this will enhance our staffing provision across the whole school. Should staff from the mainstream successfully apply for roles in the new provision, (as is their right) they will be replaced.

How do you intend to manage the risk for the safety of the children with additional needs as the front gate is always open and how do you intend to staff this? Will resources from the main school be pulled?

#### **School response:**

Security and safety for the children in the new provision is a priority for us and measures including CCTV are in place as well as new plans for staggered arrival and leaving times. Additional Disabled bays are included in our plans as well as an access and egress plan with additional security measures is also in place. We have no plans to remove any current SEND provision from the mainstream school. We hope that this provision will enhance what we already do. In the future, when the whole site belongs to the school we are planning to create new security measures at the gate at the top of the drive.

I feel that there are already insufficient staff and resources to adequately support SEN children, including my own. With the funding the school is receiving, I strongly urge you to prioritize increasing staffing for SEN support. It is evident that some children are not receiving the level of assistance they require, and adding more students without increasing SEN resources could further impact their education and well-being.

#### **School Response:**

Funding for SEND staffing comes via a number of funding routes, including EHCP funding. This new provision will give us a new funding guarantee that will enable us to provide for these children specifically, whilst also easing some of the current financial constraints in mainstream school. The school leadership work hard to seek out as much additional funding as they can to enhance provision.