



Cumbria County Council

**Consultation on proposed
changes to primary education
in the Carlisle West area**

Purpose of this event

- To explain:
 - Our proposals and the reasons for them
 - How the council will make the decision
- To listen and note your questions and concerns
- To ensure we understand your views so we can feedback to Councillors

Format of this event

- Aim to cover:
 - Overall picture
 - Information school-by-school
 - Next steps and process
- Opportunity for discussion after each topic

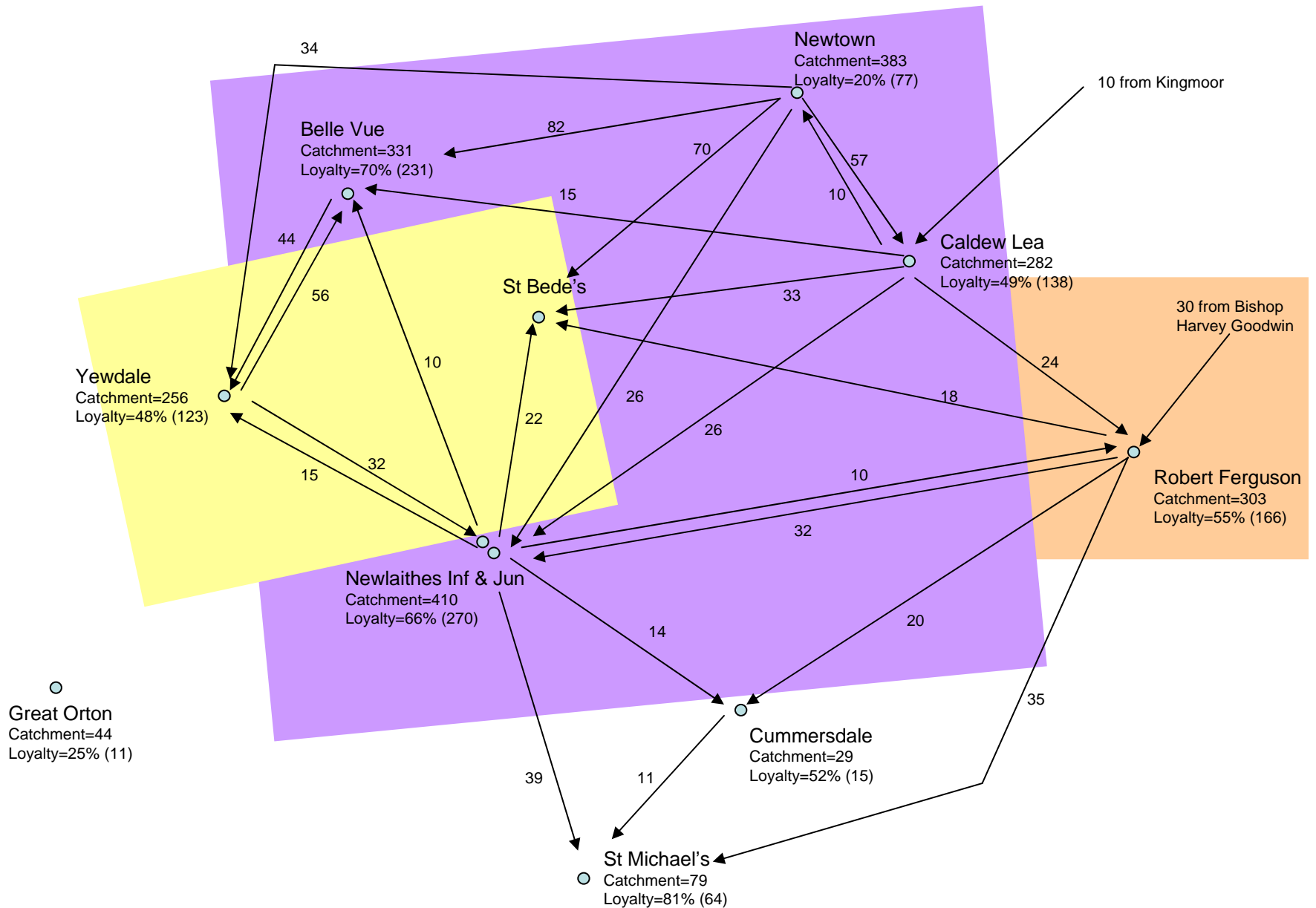
Show of hands: which school are you here in relation to?

- Yewdale School and Nursery
- Robert Ferguson Primary School
- Newtown Community Primary School
- St Bede's Roman Catholic Primary School

Pupil numbers

- County council receives information from GPs about births in catchment areas
- In Carlisle generally, and particularly in the west of the city, the number of school age children is increasing
- The four schools in this proposal will increase the total number of reception places in Carlisle west by 58

Carlisle West and Parental Choice 4-11



Yewdale

- Additional 25 places per year group
- Large amount of unused classroom space which could be brought back in to use
- One additional classroom would need to be built
- Some internal remodelling would be needed

Your views

- Questions and comments

Robert Ferguson

- Additional 15 places per year group
- Large amount of former classroom space could be brought back in to use
- The school would require an extension to its Foundation Stage accommodation in order to accommodate 60 pupils per year group

Your views

- Questions and comments

Newtown

- Additional 15 places per year group
- Would require additional classrooms on the site
- Some internal remodelling

Your views

- Questions and comments

St Bede's

- Additional three places per year group
- The school already has enough space to accommodate 30 children per year group

Your views

- Questions and comments

Other issues

- Are there other issues that you think Councillors should be aware of before they make their decisions?

Next steps

- Consultation ends 16 December
- Carlisle Local Committee 21 December
- Cabinet makes decision 12 January
- If agreement, publication Statutory Notice 27 January
- Final decision 15 March
- Implementation of any changes 31 August

Thank you for coming

- Feedback from this meeting will be reported to Councillors
- Cabinet's decision will be reported in January