



**Cumbria County Council
Consultation on proposed
changes to Captain Shaw's
and Waberthwaite schools**

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

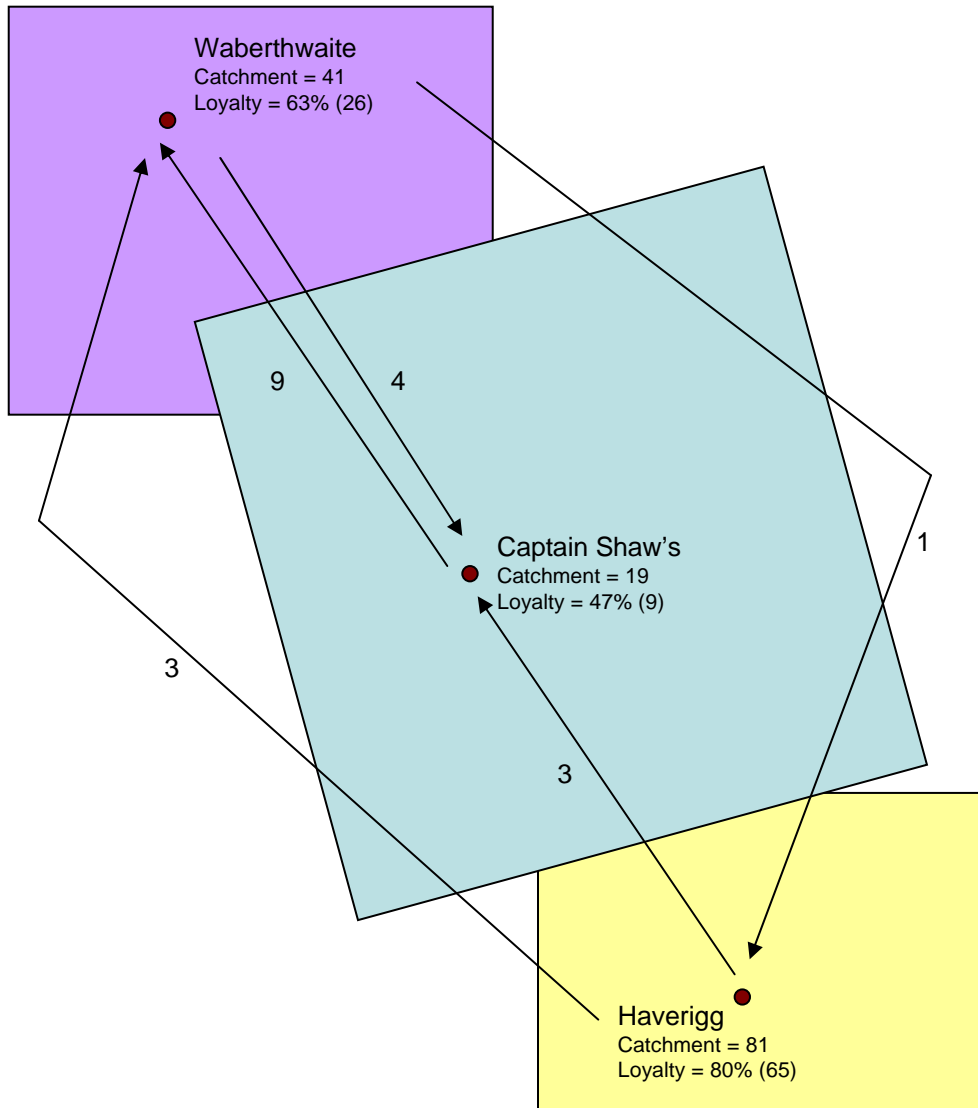
Format of this event

- Aim to cover several topics
 - History: why we are where we are
 - Pupil numbers: impact of parental preference, birth rates, new housing
 - Impact on school finances
 - Impact on children's education
- Opportunity for discussion after each topic

Pupil numbers

- Reducing roll is the result of fewer children living in the area and parental preferences for other schools
- Potential housing development may increase numbers in the future, but scale of development and timescale are not certain
- No planning permission granted and no guarantees yet that sites will be allocated for housing development

Captain Shaw's – Parental Choice 4-11



Your views

- Questions and comments

School finances

- School budget directly linked to pupil numbers
- Balanced this year
- Next year and beyond deficit in excess of legal limit
- Next Year 94% of budget goes on staffing
- No budget line for text books, library books, PE and education equipment, visits or SEN spend
- Average cost per pupil in Cumbria £3831
- Average cost per pupil at Captain Shaw's £7460

Your views

- Questions and comments

Educational impact

- Local Authority has closer contact with schools than Ofsted, who inspect only once every 3 years
- Local Authority has expressed concerns around pupils' progress and for the quality of teaching and learning in recent years and provided additional support through literacy consultant
- Opportunities for taking part in, e.g. team games are more limited in very small schools

Educational Impact – KS2

Average Point Score

	2008	2009	2010	2011
Captain Shaw's	27.0	No pupils in KS2	26.4	25.2
Waberthwaite	30.1	28.5	28.5	30.8
National Average	28.0	27.9	27.4	27.5

Your views

- Questions and comments

Other issues

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

Next steps

- Consultation ends 16 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