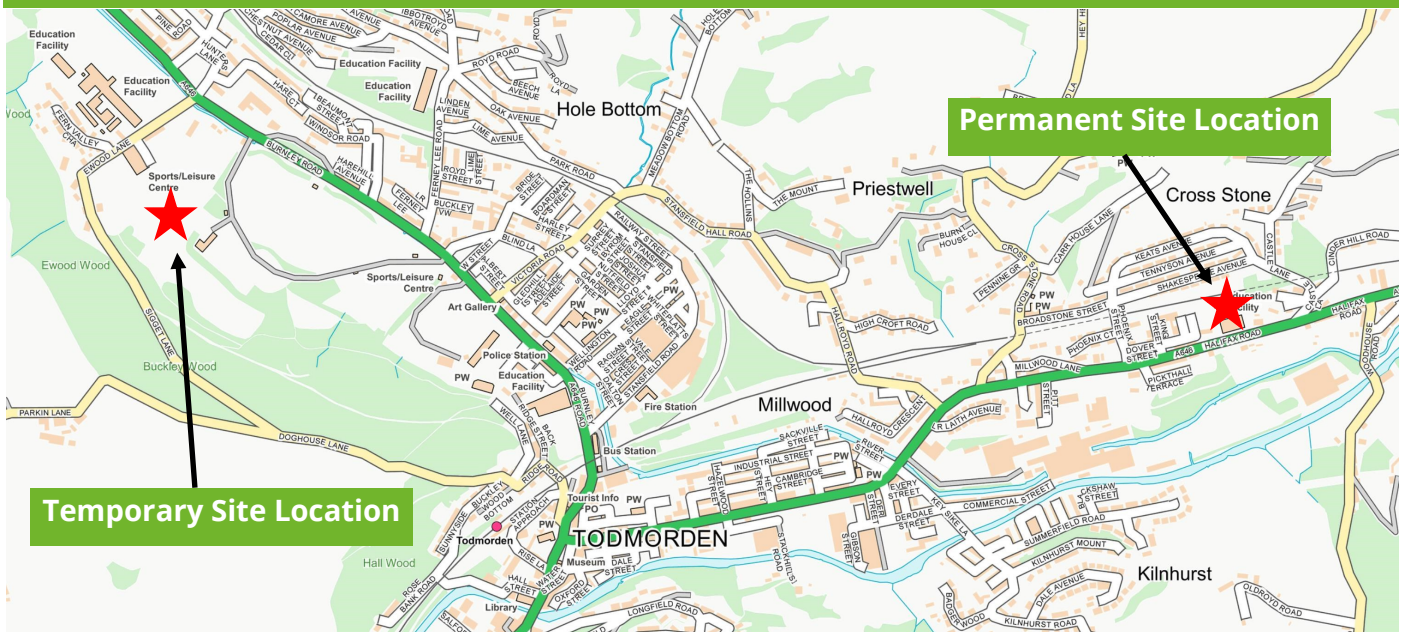
Castle Hill Primary School

Planning Applications



Planning Applications Coming Soon

We are excited to let you know that two planning applications will soon be submitted for the redevelopment of Castle Hill Primary School. One application will be for the demolition of the existing school buildings and the building of a brand new one at the current Halifax Road site. The second application will be for a temporary school at Centre Vale Park, close to Todmorden Sports Centre, off Ewood Lane. The temporary school will be needed for a period of up to 18 months whilst the new school is being constructed at Halifax Road.

Background

The redevelopment of Castle Hill Primary School is funded by the Department for Education as part of the School Rebuilding Programme. Galliford Try has been selected by the Department for Education to design and build the new school at Halifax Road, and also to deliver the temporary school at Centre Vale Park. There will be no change to staff and pupil numbers as a result of the redevelopment.

Proposals

The replacement school building at Halifax Road will be a part 2 storey, part 1 storey, stone fronted building with a strong civic presence, in keeping with the local setting. The new building will help to tackle climate change through minimising energy demand and using low carbon and renewable energy solutions.

The temporary school at Centre Vale Park will be a 2 storey temporary building, alongside hard and soft play areas, staff car parking, and a bin store. The site will be accessed by vehicles and pedestrians via the Sports Centre car park on Ewood lane. There will also be pedestrian access from Centre Vale Park. Once the temporary school is no longer required, the site will be cleared and the area will be fully reinstated to its existing grassland use.

View our proposals online at: https://castlehillps.greenhousecms.co.uk/Building-Proposal/

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Have Your Say / Drop in Events

At this pre-application stage, the development proposals for both the permanent and temporary schools can be viewed on the school's website and you can also contact Galliford Try and their design team if you have any queries or comments. Details are at the bottom of this page.

We are holding **three drop–in events** for anyone who wants to find out more or who would like to ask any questions about the proposals. The sessions will be as follows:

Castle Hill Primary School 4pm to 7pm on Monday 19th February 2024.

Todmorden High School 4pm to 6.30pm on Wednesday 21st February 2024

Tod College 6pm to 8pm on Tuesday 27th February 2024

Timescales/ Next Steps

We will be submitting the planning applications in Spring 2024. Once the applications have been submitted, they will be available to view and comment on online via Calderdale Council's planning portal:

https://new.calderdale.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/search-and-comment-planning-applications

Subject to receiving planning permission, the temporary school will be installed in Autumn 2024. The demolition and new build at Halifax Road will then commence in Winter 2024-25 and is due to be completed in the first half of 2026. Use of the temporary site will end when the new building at Halifax Road is completed. The temporary site will then be cleared and reinstated to grassland.

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