



**North Tyneside
Council**

Children, Young People and Learning
Quadrant, The Silverlink North, Cobalt Business
Park,
North Tyneside, NE27 0BY

Ref: Launch of statutory consultation
15 November 2024

Dear parents and carers,

This morning a statutory notice was published on the proposal to close Monkseaton High School on 31 August 2026, meaning the Council has entered a four-week statutory consultation period that will run until 5pm on Friday 13 December.

This next stage of consultation is different, as a decision has now been made that following the pre-publication consultation phase, that no viable options have been identified to secure the future of the school.

In this consultation you are invited to make 'formal representations'. In simple terms, it means you can agree or oppose the decision and submit comments on the proposal.

Submissions to this stage of consultation will be considered by North Tyneside Council's Cabinet at a meeting on 19 December 2024. This is when a final decision will be made.

You can read the full proposal documentation and complete the consultation on the [Our North Tyneside Voice website](#) or by post to Education Review, North Tyneside Council, Quadrant East, Cobalt Business Park, The Silverlink North, North Tyneside, NE27 0BY.

I recognise that consultation regarding the school closure proposals leads to uncertainty for a number of parents, carers, and child(ren). A letter with more detail on proposed school admissions processes has been shared with impacted parents and carers.

If the school closure proposal goes ahead your child (ren) will be able to finish the current phase of their education at Monkseaton High School; however, we do recognise that some pupils may have planned to attend the sixth form/ post 16 at school and this open will no longer be available to them should the decision be made to close the school from August 2026.

When pupils complete their studies at school, be this at the end of their GCSE's or post 16 studies, they can access our Connexions service who work directly with all pupils to explore the options available for them and look at what could work best for them individually. The support of this team will continue to be available to all pupils and the Connexions team will continue to work closely with the leaders and teachers in school to ensure that all pupils access the support that is available to the team and from within school.

I know that this may be a challenging time for you, and I would recommend that you take this opportunity to leave your feedback on the consultation site to make sure your voice is heard and considered as part of the final decision in December 2024.

Thank you.

Julie Firth

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JF', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Director of Childrens Service

North Tyneside Council

