

New Provision or Structural Change in School

The notes below provide further context for the information needed in each question in the online form.

Executive Summary

A brief overview of the proposal:

- What is being proposed?
- Why it is needed?
- Who will it serve?
- What is the impact on pupils and the school?

Strategic Rationale - Local Need

- Evidence of need from LA / internal data
- Prevalence figures
- Forecasting for future years
- Impact on admissions

Strategic Rationale - Alignment with Trust and Diocesan Priorities

- Catholic mission
- Inclusion
- Trust growth/sustainability
- Support for vulnerable pupils

Provision Overview - Intended Cohort

- Needs profile (e.g., ASD moderate–severe)
- Criteria for admission (EHCP / targeted pupils)
- Expected numbers (min/max capacity)

Provision Overview - Delivery Model

- Curriculum approach
- Integration with mainstream
- Therapeutic input (SaLT/OT/EP)
- Daily routines and structure

Staffing Model

Role	FTE	Cost	Notes
Lead Teacher			
HLTAs/TAs			
Specialist Support			
Admin/other			

Site & Infrastructure - Location

- Building/room to be used or new build
- Whether it is part of the school estate or separate
- Access

Site & Infrastructure - Site Requirements

- Refurbishment needs
- Sensory/ASD adaptations
- Health & safety considerations

Site & Infrastructure - Timeline

- Key milestones from approval → opening
- Dependencies (e.g., contractor timelines, LA confirmation)

Safeguarding & Risk- Safeguarding Arrangements

- Supervision
- Movement around school
- Risk management for mainstream transitions

Safeguarding & Risk - Risk Assessment

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation

Financial Plan- Capital Costs

- Refurbishment
- Equipment
- How is it being funded? (state clearly)

Monitoring & Evaluation

- KPIs (attendance, progress, behaviour, wellbeing)
- Termly reviews with LA/Trust
- Parent/carers feedback

Financial Plan - Revenue Costs (Annual)

- Staffing
- Training
- Therapeutic services
- Ongoing resources

Appendices (Optional)

- Site plan
- Refurbishment costings
- Consultation evidence
- Staffing structure
- Timelines

Financial Plan - Income (Annual)

- Base funding
- EHCP top-up
- Trust contribution (if applicable)

Financial Plan - Financial Summary

- Net cost / surplus
- Inflation-proofing status

Contingency Planning

- What happens if numbers are below required threshold
- Alternative use of space
- Staffing implications
- Exit strategy and redundancy planning