

Living Wage Consultation Data

We received 104 responses to the consultation; 99 of which purchase our catering service.

The table below shows the responses to the question as to whether Derbyshire should in principle pay the Living Wage:

School Sector	Total Responded	Agreed	Disagreed	Don't Know/ No Response
Primary	89	83	2	4
Secondary	7	6	0	1
Special & PRU	3	2	1	0
Academy	4	3	0	1
Nursery	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	104	94 (90%)	3 (3%)	7 (7%)

In the primary sector, 88 schools responded who purchase catering; of these:

- 19% would like any increased costs to be passed to them via the Flat Rate
- 49% would like any increased costs to be passed to them via an increase in the Per Pupil rate
- 6% responded as “other” – mainly requesting a mix of Flat Rate and Per Pupil increase
- 26% did not know or did not respond to that question

In the other sectors (secondary, academy and special/PRU), 11 schools responded who purchase catering; of these:

- 27% would like any increased costs to be passed to them via the Flat Rate
- 36% would like any increased costs to be passed to them via an increase in the Per Pupil rate
- 18.5% responded as other – both suggesting the costs should be borne centrally through efficiencies
- 18.5% did not know or did not respond to that question

In responding to the next 4 questions:

Within the primary sector of those who purchase catering:

- 64% felt it was likely or very likely they would pass any increased costs onto parents
- 16% felt it was likely or very likely they would look at transferring provider
- 9% felt it was likely or very likely they would think about taking over the catering function
- 6% felt it was likely or very likely they would think about ceasing meal provision within school

and within the other sectors (secondary, academy and special/PRU) of those who purchase catering:

- 63% felt it was likely or very likely they would pass any increased costs onto parents
- 36% felt it was likely or very likely they would look at transferring provider
- 18% felt it was likely or very likely they would think about taking over the catering function
- 9% felt it was likely or very likely they would think about ceasing meal provision within school

A full breakdown of the response data is available from CAYA Schools Finance.