Review of Pupil Referral Units and Alternative Curriculum Provision

Brief summary for young people: please tell us what you think!

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Kent County Council is looking at ways in which it can improve education and schooling opportunities for young people who have been excluded from school or who find learning in a mainstream school difficult.

The changes the Council is thinking about look like this:

Ask local schools in each area of the county to look after and manage the Pupil Referral Units. In this way, pupils will never lose touch with their own mainstream school. This should mean that it is easier for young people out of school to return when they feel ready.

Give each PRU its own governing body and the money to pay staff and provide computers, books and equipment.

Ensure that all young people have the chance to study at least 5 GCSEs.

Provide a personalised package of support for every young person. This means ensuring that the particular needs of each individual young person are met.

Supporting young people into either a full time College place, workplace training or into employment.

The Council believes that excluding pupils from school should be avoided wherever possible, and that it is better to offer help as early as possible in school to try to prevent exclusion.
The Council would be interested to hear your view on these proposals:

1. Do you agree or disagree that PRU and alternative curriculum would be better if managed by all the local schools in the area rather than by the Council?
   
   **Agree/ Disagree**

2. Do you agree or disagree that every pupil should be supported to take at least 5 GCSEs?
   
   **Agree/ Disagree**

3. Do you agree or disagree that every pupil should also have the chance to undertake other kinds of training that might help them into work?
   
   **Agree/ Disagree**

To tell us what you think, please go to [www.kent.gov.uk/PRU](http://www.kent.gov.uk/PRU) to fill in the online form. If you would prefer a paper feedback form, please call 01622 222735 and we will send you one.

Responses should be submitted by 17 June 2013.