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Dear school governors

We would like to write in support of the proposed federation.

We are aware that the school is struggling and that numbers attending have fallen in recent years. We therefore think that the opportunity for the school to join with the DVSF is an exciting one. We hope it will help the school to achieve a good Ofsted rating which will attract more pupils to the school both from the local area but also from further afield.

Small schools are valuable as each child can be known individually but being part of something larger brings benefits in terms of expertise and resources. As the proprietors of the Coach and Horses in Compton, we value the presence of the school in our community. The village of Compton is very small and we rely on those from outside coming into the village and forming part of an extended community in order for our business to thrive. We hope that in turn the existence of a pub in the village helps community cohesion providing an important place for locals to meet.

We understand that the local authority was considering closing the school during 2019 and believe that the proposed federation will strengthen the future of the school for many years to come. We hope that the presence of a good local school will attract more families to our beautiful area and help our community thrive.

Kindest regards

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