



Meeting commenced: 3.05pm

Present: Mr Holt, Mr Williams (Governor)

38 students attended the meeting:

Year 7 – 6

Year 8 – 8

Year 9 - 11

Year 10 - 7

Year 11 - 3

Year 13 - 3

1. Safety and Improvements - School Site

This item took up the vast majority of our meeting.

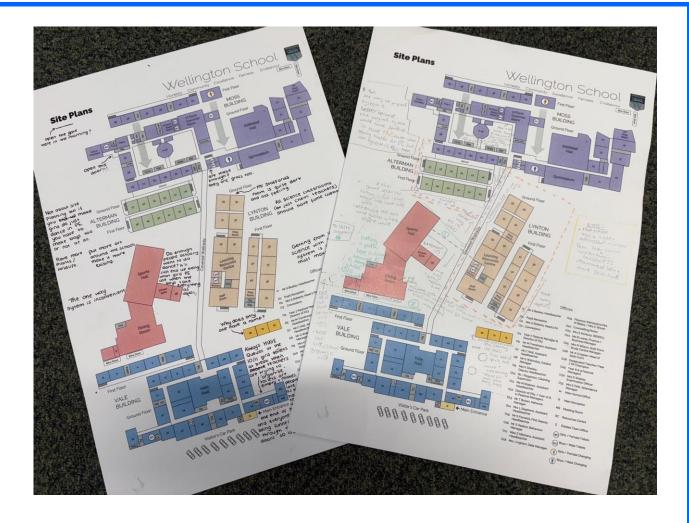
Students were taken outside into the centre site area and learned of plans to improve the existing fitness suite and build an extension which will house a dance studio. This went down extremely well with all students – alongside a little disappointment from Year 11s and Year 13s who felt this was five years too late for them!

Students were also shown an artist's impression of a proposed new covering which will be attached to the Alterman building. Everyone really liked this proposal and felt it would create more space for students during wet weather.

Whilst outside, students were also informed of the rationale behind the recent introduction of a one-way system outside room 28. They understood the reasons for this and many pointed out that the space will only become smaller and more difficult to navigate once the new dance studio is built. Suggestions were made as to how to relocate the benches which are currently underneath the large umbrellas in the centre site.

Once back inside, students spent some time in groups annotating a map of the school site with suggestions for physical and safety improvements.

A couple of examples are shown below:



Main suggestions from students included:

- Relocating the large umbrellas which are currently outside room 28 to either in front of room 78 or close to the food pod. This option was particularly popular as students felt that with seating underneath, many would buy food and then sit to eat.
- Widening the path between the Astro and the Lynton building in order to alleviate crushes next to room 28.
- Modernisation to rooms 32 and 34 "the oldest rooms in the school"
- Update to Sixth Form Boys' toilets
- Increase the number of plants and the amount of greenery around the concrete play areas
- "If we are having a dance studio, boys need to do it too!"
- Lights under the covered walkway to be on during school day during winter when it's dark and dismal

2. Chocolate raffle!

The chocolate raffle went down as well as always – why not come to the next meeting to be in with a chance? Next full School Council meeting: Thursday 20th March

Meeting closed at 4.00pm

Next meeting is on Tuesday 27th January 2026