A strategy around the delivery of education to pupils in both schools

Melling (St Wilfrid) CEPS is 26 miles from Out Rawcliffe CEPS. However Mrs Andrews lives in Lancaster which is between the two schools. Lancaster to Melling is 11.5 miles, whilst Lancaster to Out Rawcliffe is only 16 miles.

Melling School has a well established, experienced staff who are more than capable of providing a good quality of education on a day-to-day basis.

The re-structuring suggested at Out Rawcliffe would provide a similar level of expertise in delivering a high quality curriculum to the whole school.

The collaborative headteacher role of Mrs Andrews would provide a top layer of strategic leadership to both schools. Since September this has worked successfully with Mrs Andrews splitting her time between the schools on a week-by-week programme depending on need at each school. A full time bursar at Out Rawcliffe means that Mrs Andrews can always be contacted by phone or e-mail to answer any queries.

There are also occasions when both schools have been visited on the same day when the need arises. Not being classroom based releases Mrs Andrews to work in a leadership role very effectively, in order to move the schools forward and improve the achievement of all pupils.