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**A Consultation about the Proposal for Mousehold Infant and Nursery School to become an Academy as part of the Inclusive Schools Trust (IST)**

**FINAL CONSULTATION meeting Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2:00pm**

Dear Parents

Thank you for all your contributions to our consultation so far. This is to remind everyone that, following parent's requests, we have extended the consultation period and our last consultation meeting will be on Tuesday next week, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018, at 2:00pm. We chose this time as it was the most popular time of our last meetings.

The meeting is for those who couldn't attend the previous meetings and will follow the same format so if you have already attended a meeting there is no need to attend again. As before, all children are welcome. There will be time for questions and if the meeting ends after 3pm your children in school will be looked after by their class teachers.

If you have questions following the previous meetings then please contact the Headteacher or Chair of Governors via the School Office.

This will mark the last meeting of the consultation period with the final date of consultation as Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April.

**What Happens Next**

When the period of consultation is closed, I will summarise all the questions that have been asked and the answers and send everyone a copy.

The Full Governing Body will meet in April and after a final discussion will then vote. I will notify every one of the results of the vote and the next steps.

I include some of the questions and answers so far.



## Consultation Questions Answered

Question: Can you clarify about what decisions go through the Governing Body/Trustees and what decisions are school level?

*Answer: Most day to day decisions are made at school level by the Headteacher. This will be the same if part of a Trust as a maintained school. Decisions that go through Governors/Trust are when a lot of money is involved and we provide 3 quotes to Governors, decisions around statutory policy and property decisions.*

Question: Is there a chance that the Trustees will say yes to Lionwood ideas and not Mousehold?

*Answer: Not at all as there are representatives from each school.*

Question: Having 4 or 5 schools within the Trust would be a very different feel to having 8 schools. How can you ensure you have capacity to support 8 schools?

*Answer: Nobody could force us to take a school we didn't feel was right for the Trust. The 5% from each school could reduce if more schools in the Trust. Tiny MATs struggle with capacity so if we grow bigger slowly then that is a positive thing.*

Question: Do you have any ideas of what schools you might want to join the MAT?

*Answer: We are interested in local schools who serve a similar community. Updates on school's plans are given at Cluster Heads meetings. The progress of IST is shared at Cluster Heads meetings.*

Question: What if the current CEO left?

*Answer: Within the Business Plan it states that the CEO must be a Headteacher with experience. The Trustees and Members are robust. There is succession planning in place. There are parents at every level within the framework (parent forum, Trustees, Members).*

Will the uniform change?

*Answer: No.*

Will the school name change?

*Answer: No.*

My very Best Wishes



Maureen F Hanke  
Chair of Governors

