

## **BOROUGH OF TELFORD AND WREKIN PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE AND EXPAND HAUGHTON SPECIAL SCHOOL**

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 and The School Organisation (prescribed alteration to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2016 that Telford and Wrekin Council intends to make a prescribed alteration by relocating and enlarging the premises of Haughton Special School.

### **1. Name, address and contact details of proposer**

School Organisation Services, Telford and Wrekin Council, 6b Darby House, Lawn Central, Telford, TF3 4JA.

### **2. Name and address and category of school**

Haughton Special School, Queens Street, Madeley, Telford TF7 4BW.

### **3. Date of Implementation**

Telford and Wrekin Council proposes that the school's capacity would be increased from September 2019. The expansion will be achieved by procuring the New College site in Wellington and remodelling the existing building to accommodate additional pupils. If the proposals proceed it is anticipated that construction would start on the New College site in July 2018 with completion in August 2019.

### **4. Objectives**

The objective of the proposal is to ensure that the council can continue to fulfil its statutory duty to provide sufficient school places. It is believed that it brings many potential benefits to the school and the local community.

Telford and Wrekin Council is proposing to relocate Haughton Special School which will enable us to increase the permanent capacity of said school to meet demand for special school places across the Borough both current time and in the future. This increase in demand was identified in the recently commissioned review of Special School places across the borough. It will allow us to expand and build upon a good school which will provide improved facilities for the school enabling it to offer provision for more pupils.

This proposal forms part of the Telford and Wrekin Council's ongoing commitment to meet its statutory obligation of providing sufficient school places within the Borough. It is intended that the proposals will improve access for pupils with special needs and disabilities in the Borough by providing additional school places at this successful school.

### **5. Effect on other educational provision in the area**

There is unlikely to be any negative impact upon other schools in the area. No other school makes provision for pupils with the complex needs of the children who attend Haughton Special School. These proposals will create additional places at Haughton which will potentially free up places at other mainstream schools across the Borough.

## 6. Project Costs

The project to increase the permanent capacity at Haughton Special School, to provide accommodation for the additional pupils that would be educated on the school site, in the event that this proposal proceeds, the estimated cost is £2.5m

The project would be funded by a combination of Section 106 developer contributions and basic need grant funding received from the Department for Education (DfE). As well as fulfilling part of Telford and Wrekin's statutory obligation of providing sufficient school places the proposal would also ensure that pupils are able to attend a centrally located special school.

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any interested party may; support, object to, or make comment upon the proposal by sending them to:

School Organisation Services, Telford and Wrekin Council, 6b Darby House, Lawn Central, Telford, TF3 4JA or via:

[Schoolorganisation@telford.gov.uk](mailto:Schoolorganisation@telford.gov.uk)

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