



Dear Colleagues

Manor Drive Academy Primary School and Manor Drive Academy Secondary School Consultation

21 November 2016 - 21 December 2016

As you may be aware, Fulbridge Academy in partnership with Arthur Mellows Village College are proposing to open two new schools at Paston Reserve as part of the Government's Free Schools programme.

The proposal at this stage is for the 2 form entry Primary School to open with Reception and Year 1 children only from September 2019 and the 8 form entry Secondary School (11-19) to open its doors in September 2019 for Year 7 only. This will enable both schools to develop a strong academic ethos that will build as the years progress. The schools will grow to full capacity in 2023 and 2024 respectively.

As part of the process for applying to open a Free School, we are required to consult with the local community and stakeholders about our plans. We consider this as a good opportunity to hear your views. I am contacting you as Primary/Secondary Headteachers in Peterborough, at an early stage of our proposals as our educational neighbours and collaborative partners.

The new schools will have a great deal in common with the Fulbridge Academy and Arthur Mellows Village College and are being built to serve the new housing to the east of the A15 Paston Parkway and A47 intersection (see enclosed map for detail). Over the next few years an additional 298 homes will be built in this area and the new schools will mean that there are sufficient primary and secondary school places to serve this locality and accommodate the acute need for additional school places across Peterborough as a whole.

How do I take part in the consultation?

In order to take part in the consultation process, please visit the website of the Fulbridge Academy or Arthur Mellows Village College. The websites contain information about our plans and will give you a detailed picture of the curriculum we plan to offer along with our vison and values.

From January 2017 you will also be able to visit the Four Cs website which is the name of the new Multi-Academy Trust that is being formed by Arthur Mellows Village College and which will be joined by the Fulbridge Academy. You are welcome to make comments and suggestions about our planned future provision.

Website addresses: <u>www.arthurmellows.org</u> (School Information) <u>www.fulbridgeacademy.co.uk</u>

Or contact Arthur Mellows Village College on 01733 252235 or email manordrive@arthurmellows.org

Any comments received before the closing date of 21 December 2016 will be considered by us as part of the pre-opening planning for the school. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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