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REFERENCE: CS-002-10

**CS-002-10 - RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATION ON THE CLOSURE
OF SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL TO ESTABLISH AN ACADEMY ON
THE SITE**

Purpose of Report

The report sets out the background to, and results of, consultation undertaken between 7 December 2009 and 26 January 2010. A copy of the consultation document is attached at Appendix 1.

Consultation

Salisbury Diocese, Wiltshire Council and the Governing Body of Salisbury High School agreed to support a consultation about the possible closure of the school, and the establishment of an Academy in the existing school buildings from 1st September 2010.

Options Considered

An analysis of the responses is attached at Appendix 2. It can be seen that there were few responses received and that the majority of respondents support the establishment of an Academy. The establishment of an Academy is also supported by :

Salisbury Diocese
Wiltshire Council
Governing Body of Salisbury High School
Bryanston School

No significant reservations have been submitted.

Reason for Decision

A decision about the school's potential closure is needed by mid April 2010 so that plans for the Academy can proceed. A Conditional Approval under Section 482 (1) of the 1996 Act for the establishment of an Academy will be applied for. If the Academy does not open on 1 September 2010 the proposals will be referred back to Wiltshire Council for fresh consideration and the notice to close the school will be rescinded.

INTENTION TO MAKE DECISION

Following a public consultation, I give notice that I intend to determine that the closure of Salisbury High School and the establishment of an Academy on the current site, from 1 September 2010, should proceed to statutory notice.

The decision will not be made for a period of five days and if you would like to make any representations to me on this issue please do so by the 9th February, 2010.

The following supporting documents are attached:

Cs-002-10 - Results of Consultation on the Closure of Salisbury High School to establish an Academy on the site - Appendix 1

CS-002-10 - Results of Consultation on the Closure of Salisbury High School to establish an Academy on the Site - Appendix 2

Date: 1st February 2010.....

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