

Wiltshire Council - Notice of Proposal to Discontinue Salisbury High School, Westwood Road, Salisbury, In Preparation for the Establishment of an Academy

Notice is given in accordance with section 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Wiltshire Council, County Hall Trowbridge, BA14 8JB intends to discontinue Salisbury High School, Westwood Road, Salisbury, SP2 9HS on 31 August 2010.

It is proposed that an Academy opens 1st September 2010, initially in Salisbury High School's current buildings. Places at the new Academy will automatically be available for all current pupils of Salisbury High School. Admission may also be sought to other schools which have places available.

The majority of pupils attending Salisbury High School are expected to transfer to the Academy. As a result, existing pupils should not have to make any additional journeys or increase the distances they have to travel to school. Wiltshire Council will continue to minimise car use through the provision of group transport wherever possible.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from: the Director for Children and Education, Wiltshire Council, School Buildings & Places, County Hall, Trowbridge, BA14 8JB quoting ref SM/NH/SHS or by telephoning 01225 713969. Details are also available on the Council's website - www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Within six weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Director for Children and Education, Wiltshire Council, School Buildings & Places, County Hall, Trowbridge, BA14 8JB marked ref SM/NH/SHS.

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Explanatory Notes

The reasons for these proposals are set out in the consultation document circulated in December 2009, further copies of which are available on request from the School Buildings & Places Team by contacting 01225 713969.

Academies are publicly funded independent schools with sponsors from the private and voluntary sectors. The establishment of an Academy is subject to the agreement of the Secretary of State. It is proposed that the closure of Salisbury High School should be approved to take effect only if by the date of closure an agreement has been made under section 482(1) of the Education Act 1996 for the establishment of an Academy to replace Salisbury High School. Replacement accommodation is planned by 2013. This proposal is subject to the Academy being approved by the Department for Children, Schools and Families.

Copies of the Wiltshire Council School Transport Policy are available upon request from Passenger Transport on 01225 713580.

Copies of the Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme for Secondary Schools are available upon request from the School Admissions Team on 01225 771697.