

Stafford Community Learning Trust STATUTORY NOTICE

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(3) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that: the Governing Body of **Stafford Sports College** intends to make a prescribed alteration to **Stafford Sports College** which is a foundation school located at Stafford Sports College, Wolverhampton Road, Stafford ST17 9DJ. Tel: 01785 258383. E-Mail: <u>governors@staffordsportscollege.staffs.sch.uk</u>

The proposed alteration is together with one or more of the proposed partners to acquire a trust established otherwise than under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

The name of the foundation is **Stafford Community Learning Trust** and the proposed implementation date is May 1st 2015.

The Trust previously acted as the legal foundation for the Grove Primary School which subsequently left the Trust in 2014 to become a sponsored academy. It is proposed that **Stafford Sports College** will become a member of the Trust, nominating two trustees. The partner in the Trust, nominating one trustee, is The Co-operative Movement currently represented by the Co-operative College

All parents/carers and learners attending a Trust school are eligible to become members of the Trust. This is also true of all members of staff employed by Trust schools and members of a range of community organisations supporting the work of the Trust. Family members of our pupils and past pupils as well as individuals living or working locally who identify with what the trust is seeking to achieve can also join the Trust. It is proposed to establish a Trust Forum whose members, including parents, staff, learners and representatives of the community – both organisations and individuals - are elected from the respective membership constituency. The purpose of the Trust Forum will be to hold the Trust to account, to help shape policies and to appoint a minority of trustees.

Key aims for our Trust are to: Further improve outcomes for all our learners in all our local schools with a strengthened focus on school-to-school self-improvement; Support each school to become - and then remain - 'Outstanding'; Strengthen our ability to work collaboratively and co-operatively to enable our schools to grow, develop and improve together; Formalise and further develop arrangements already in place for joint working; Develop further the skills and expertise of staff across the schools; Further share resources and skills across the schools; Further increase levels of aspiration across our school communities thereby impacting positively upon standards.

As a co-operative trust, the Trust has adopted the values and principles of the Co-operative Movement. Co-operatives are based on the values of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity and solidarity. In the tradition of their founders, co-operative members believe in the values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.

This notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the full proposal can be obtained from the school website: <u>www.staffordsportscollege.com</u> or by writing to the postal addresses or email addresses above. Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending them in writing to the Governing Body of the school at the postal or email address above.

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