



Department  
for Education

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The Members and Trustees of Learn@ Multi Academy Trust  
Sent via email to [REDACTED]

Also copied to [REDACTED] (CEO); [REDACTED]

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear [REDACTED],

**Termination Warning Notice to the Members and Trustees of the Learn@ Multi Academy Trust in respect of Lansdown Park Academy**

In accordance with clauses 5F to 5H of the Supplemental Funding Agreement (SFA) for Lansdown Park Academy (“the Academy”) the Secretary of State may terminate the funding agreement if the Chief Inspector gives notice to the Academy Trust that special measures are required to be taken by the Academy or the Academy requires significant improvement.

I received an Ofsted notification dated 23 March 2022 confirming that Lansdown Park Academy was judged to be inadequate and requires special measures. For the reasons set out below, I now consider it necessary to issue this Termination Warning Notice:

- The quality of education pupils receive in the secondary provision is poor. The curriculum is inappropriate, disconnected, and insufficiently ambitious to meet the needs of pupils.
- The attendance of pupils is sporadic. The purpose of commissioned places and planned interventions is unclear.
- The needs of pupils that have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) are not met. Staff do not have the specialist skills required to help.
- Staff and leaders have not ensured there are high enough expectations for pupils or promoted pupils’ personal development.
- The local academy council does not have enough knowledge and information to hold leaders to account sufficiently.
- Leadership at the academy is not established, and many senior staff are in interim positions with unclear responsibilities.

As Regional Schools Commissioner, I need to be satisfied that the trust has capacity to deliver rapid and sustainable improvement at the academy. If I am not satisfied that this can be achieved, I will consider whether to terminate the funding agreement in order to transfer the academy to an alternative academy trust.

In making the decision on whether to terminate the funding agreement, I will consider any written representations you wish to make in response to this Termination Warning Notice.

Please provide me with any representations you wish to make by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

I would be grateful for the following evidence, which I will consider when assessing whether the trust is making sufficient improvements:

- Information on the action being taken to support education improvements and the timescales of this work (for example a post-inspection action plan).
- A written summary of leadership, staffing, and governance arrangements at the academy, and available supportive capacity in the wider trust.
- Any additional information you consider would be helpful to me.

I am copying this letter to the National Schools Commissioner, Bristol City Council, and Ofsted. A copy of this letter will also be published on GOV.UK.

Yours sincerely



**Hannah Woodhouse**  
**Regional Schools Commissioner for the South West**

cc:

██████████, National Schools Commissioner

██████████, Regional Director, Ofsted

██████████, Director of Children's Services, Bristol City Council