

Notes of Meeting: East of England and North East London Headteacher Board

23rd May 2019

Attendance*

RSC, Chair	Sue Baldwin (RSC)	Guests
Headteacher Board (HTB) Members	Tom Canning (HTB) Brian Conway (HTB) Caroline Derbyshire (HTB) Andrew Aalders-Dunthorne (HTB) Duncan Ramsey (HTB) Diane Rochford (HTB) Al Kingsley (HTB) Alan Parnum (Deputy Director)	Apologies** Karen Kerridge (HTB) Claire Mycock (Deputy Director)
		*Attendance data is published annually on gov.uk
		**Members of the board who apologised have been consulted on all projects, where available, prior to the meeting (excluding items where there were conflicts). Their views are reflected in the discussion at the meeting (where appropriate).

General Discussion Points

Item	Discussion Point
RSC Update	<p>The Note of Meeting for the April HTB meeting were agreed.</p> <p>No representations have been received for any projects on this meeting’s agenda.</p> <p>Sue Baldwin welcomed Al Kingsley to the Headteacher Board.</p>

Discussion of projects, including decisions made by RSC with advice from HTB:

All decisions are made in reference to relevant legislation and the published criteria.

Converter Academy Orders

Project	HTB discussed:	RSC Decision	Conflicts
Cheveley CofE Primary, Cambridgeshire, to join Diocese of Ely MAT	The HTB discussed the current situation of the Trust and it's need to consolidate having taken on a number of challenging projects. HTB considered that Cheveley CofE primary will be an asset to the Trust and provide increased capacity for primary school improvement.	Approve	None
Further Actions Require	School and Trust to be informed.		
Tiptree Heath Primary, Essex, to join Eveliegh Link Trust	The HTB discussed the background to the Trust and school. The Trust is already supporting the school and has seen results improve in 2018. The RSC will recommend that the Trust review its governance structure.	Approve	None
Further Actions Require	School and Trust to be informed.		
St Pius X Catholic Primary School, Essex, and Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Essex, to join The Rosary Trust	The HTB considered information pertaining to the governance arrangements of the Trust and performance data. The conversion proposal was agreed without comment.	Approve	None

Project	HTB discussed:	RSC Decision	Conflicts
Further Actions Require	Schools and Trust to be informed.		
Ringshall Primary, Suffolk, to join Asset Education	The HTB considered information pertaining to the governance arrangements of the Trust and performance data. The conversion proposal was agreed without comment.	Approve	None
Further Actions Require	School and Trust to be informed.		
East Ruston Infant, Norfolk, and Stalham Infant, Norfolk, to join Right for Success	The HTB discussed the background to the trust and its current situation, including how it has improved its capacity for primary school improvement.	Approve	None
Further Actions Require	Schools and Trust to be informed.		
Northgate Primary, Norfolk, to join Waveney Valley Academies Trust	The HTB considered information pertaining to the governance arrangements of the Trust and performance data. The conversion proposal was agreed without comment.	Approve	None
Further Actions Require	School and Trust to be informed.		
St Nicholas CofE (VC) Primary, Essex, to join the Vine Trust	The HTB considered information pertaining to the governance arrangements of the Trust and performance data. The conversion proposal was agreed without comment.	Approve	None
Further Actions Require	School and Trust to be informed.		

Sponsor Application

Project	HTB discussed:	RSC Decision	Conflicts
South Suffolk Learning Trust to become a sponsor	The HTB discussed the background to the Trust including support given to other trusts and its track record of school improvement. The HTB considered the Trusts capacity at leadership level, and how it is building its primary experience.	Approve	None
Further Actions Required	Trust to be informed		

Trust Change

Project	HTB discussed:	RSC Decision	Conflicts
Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary, Essex, and St Teresa's Catholic Primary, Essex, to join The Rosary Trust	The HTB discussed these 2 Trusts forming the new Rosary Trust in conjunction with St Pius X and Holy Family Catholic Primary Schools converting to become academies. The HTB felt that the Trust had a strong strategic plan for future growth.	Approve	
Further Actions Required	Trust to be informed		

Alton Park Junior, Essex, and Holland Park Primary, Essex to join the Sigma Trust	The HTB discussed the background to the schools and Ofsted judgements. The HTB considered the issues with the current Trust effectively supporting the schools. Sigma Trust has a good record of school improvement and can provide effective leadership and governance support.	None	None
Further Actions Required			

Significant Change

Project	HTB discussed:	RSC Decision	Conflicts
Coplestone High, Suffolk – increase by 1FE	The HTB considered information pertaining to the request and approved without comment.	Approve	
Further Actions Required	Trust to be informed		
Holton St Peter Primary, Suffolk – change to age range	The HTB considered information pertaining to the request and approved without comment.	Approve	None
Further Actions Required	Trust to be informed		