

## Annex B: Impact Assessment for Knutsford Academy: the Studio

The Impact Assessment is an Enhanced one.

School name	Distance from Studio School (miles)	School type	Capacity	Surplus places as a % of total capacity	% of %A*-C incl Eng & Math 2013	Ofsted grade	Impact rating
Knutsford Academy	0.0	Academy Converters	1606 (1236)	-23%	57%	Good	N/A – the application is from this Academy
University of Chester Academy Northwich	5.2	Academy Sponsor Led	840 (556)	-34%	39%	Not yet inspected – opened 2012	<b>High – the Studio School is likely to affect the long term viability of the school.</b>
Altrincham Grammar School for Boys	5.4	Academy Converters	1173 (1254)	7%	98%	Outstanding	<b>Minimal – the Studio School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the school.</b>
St Ambrose College	5.4	Academy Converters	844 (946)	12%	98%	Outstanding	<b>Minimal – the Studio School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the school.</b>
Altrincham Grammar School for Girls	5.6	Academy Converters	1192 (1269)	6%	100%	Outstanding	<b>Minimal – the Studio School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the school.</b>

### Secondary schools with a high rating

University of Chester Academy Northwich opened as a sponsored Academy in 2012. It was undersubscribed for entry in 2012 and has a

surplus of 283 places. The new Principal has made a number of strategic interventions and revised structures and processes, which once embedded will have a positive impact on the performance of the school. However, it's still early days and if Ofsted were to inspect the Academy (which is expected soon) it would probably be judged to require improvement which would further exacerbate its reputation and impact on already falling numbers. The academy is concerned about falling numbers and the impact this is having on budgets. This will only get worse if numbers continue to fall.

Taking the above into account, and being located just around the average distance travelled to secondary school in Cheshire it is our view that a significant number of parents may be attracted to an alternative provider. This may make it more difficult for the school to carry on improving, especially if potential pupils at the higher end of the ability range choose to go to the Studio School as it is promoting high academic achievement and employability pathways for its pupils.

This could exacerbate the surplus places issue for University of Chester Academy Northwich and therefore the new Studio School could affect the long-term viability of the school.

FE providers	School type	Distance from Studio School site (miles)	Total number of learners	Average point score per student at level 3 (2012)	Ofsted grade	Impact Rating
Sir John Deane's College	Further Education College	6.6	1,343	954.7	Outstanding	<b>Minimal</b> – the Studio School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the college.
Trafford College	Further Education College	7.4	2,792	530.8	Outstanding	<b>Minimal</b> – the Studio School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the college.
Mid-Cheshire College of Further Education	Further Education College	9.3	1,601	566.2	Outstanding	<b>Minimal</b> – the Studio School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the college.