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The Members and Governors of
The De La Salle Academy
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09 February 2018

Dear Mr Proctor,

Minded to Terminate Letter to the Members and Governors of the De La Salle Academy Trust in respect of The De La Salle Academy, Liverpool.

In accordance with section 2A of the Academies Act 2010ⁱ any funding agreement of an academy may be terminated by the Secretary of State where special measures are required to be taken by the academy or the academy requires significant improvement and the Chief Inspector of Ofsted has given notice of that under section 13(3) (a) of the Education Act 2005.

I received an Ofsted notification dated 15 November confirming that The De La Salle Academy was judged to be inadequate and has serious weaknesses.

As the Regional Schools Commissioner acting on behalf of the Secretary of State, I need to be satisfied that this academy can achieve rapid and sustained improvement. If I am not satisfied this can be achieved I will consider issuing a Termination Warning Notice.

Prior to our meeting currently scheduled for next month, I would be grateful for the following evidence:

- a copy of your Post-Inspection Action Plan, including the most recent assessment of progress, and
- a copy of your School Improvement Plan, including the most recent assessment of progress.

I would like to proceed in the following way:

- a meeting with the Trust on 26 March 2018
- an education advisor visit to focus on the areas judged inadequate. A member of my team will be in touch to arrange this.

Please respond to me with the requested information by 9 March, copied to Kate Baddeley and [REDACTED].

I am copying this letter to the National Schools Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'V. Beer', written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Vicky Beer CBE
Regional Schools Commissioner for Lancashire & West Yorkshire

CC: Tim Warren – Diocesan Director of Schools and Colleges
Brother Laurence Hughes – De La Salle Provincial
Steve Reddy – Director of Childrens Services, Liverpool LA
Stephen Twigg - MP for Liverpool, West Derby Constituency
David Carter – National Schools Commissioner, Department for Education
Kate Baddeley – Deputy Director, Department for Education
[REDACTED] – Open Academy Casework, Department for Education

ⁱ Inserted by section 14 of the Education and Adoption Act 2016