Impact Assessment – Purple Oaks Special School

Key:

ASD – Autistic spectrum Disorder; PMLD – Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulty; SLD – Severe Learning Difficulty; MLD – Moderate Learning Difficulty; BESD – Behaviour, Emotional and Social Difficulty; VI – Visual Impairment; HI – Hearing Impairment; PD – Physical Disability; SEMH – Social Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties; SLCN – Speech, Language and Communication Needs; MSI – Multi-Sensory Impairment

School name	Type of SEN catered for	Type of establishment	Age range	Distance from Free School site (miles)	Headcount	Ofsted rating	Date of inspection	Impact Rating
Green Oaks Primary Academy	1) ASD	Academy Sponsor Led	3 - 11	0.0	29	No Ofsted inspection	No Ofsted inspection	None - Upon Purple Oaks Academy opening, the Designated Special Provision (DSP) unit at Green Oaks Primary Academy will close and students will transfer to Purple Oaks Academy. Both of these schools are managed by the same trust.
Kingsthorpe Grove Primary School	1) ASD	Community School (Pre- pipeline academy)	4 - 11	0.6	24	Good	19/06/2014	Minimal – Kingsthorpe Grove is a mainstream primary academy. The school is rated 'good' by Ofsted and has a specialist ASD provision capacity of 24. Kingsthorpe Grove's long-term viability is not likely to be affected due to the following reasons: whilst Purple Oaks Academy will also cater for ASD, it will focus more on Asperger's Syndrome and SLD. The local authority also anticipates growing need for places at special schools.
Cambian Northampton School	SEMH, Moderate Learning Difficulty	Other Independent Special School	11 - 16	0.7	19	No Ofsted inspection	No Ofsted inspection	Minimal – Cambian caters for a different type of SEN.
Northgate School Arts College	Moderate Learning Difficulty	Academy Special Converter	11 - 18	0.8	200	Outstanding	01/02/2013	Minimal – This school is rated 'outstanding' by Ofsted and caters for a different SEN cohort.

Fairfields School	No SEN priority recorded (according to Fairfields School's website, in addition to ASD and SLD the school also caters for multisensory impairment, communication, physical and complex medical difficulties.	Community Special School	3 - 11	0.8	111	Outstanding	05/03/2014	Minimal - This school is 'outstanding' and caters for a much wider range of specialist needs than Purple Oaks Academy.
Include Northampton	No SEN priority recorded	Other Independent Special School	5 - 16	1.2	40	No Ofsted inspection	No Ofsted inspection	Minimal – Include Northampton combines an offering of alternative provision with special educational needs but is due to close in May 2017.
On Track Education Centre Northants	1) SEMH	Other Independent Special School	11 - 19	1.4	31	Good	25/11/2014	Minimal – On Track Education Centre caters for a different type of SEN.
Kings Meadow School	1) SEMH	Community Special School	5 - 11	1.7	29	Outstanding	23/03/2012	Minimal – This school caters for a different type of SEN.
Headlands Primary School	1) ASD, SLCN, SLD, 2) ASD	Academy Converter	4 - 11	1.8	28	Good	03/07/2014	Minimal – Headlands Primary is a mainstream academy converter with a 28-place unit provision for ASD and other special educational needs. In light of its special provision being at capacity and the expected increased demand for special school places within the area, Headlands Primary is not likely to have its financial viability affected in the long term by Purple Oaks Academy.
Progress Schools Ltd	1) SEMH	Other Independent Special School	13 - 16	1.8	40	No Ofsted inspection	No Ofsted inspection	Minimal – This school caters for a different type of SEN.
St James Church of England Primary School	1) SEMH	Academy Converter	3 - 11	2.0	5	Requires Improvement	24/01/2014	Minimal – This school caters for a different type of SEN.

Billing Brook Special School	1) ASD, 2) Moderate Learning Difficulty, SLD	Academy Special Converter	3 - 19	2.4	205	Outstanding	18/06/2015	Minimal –This special school offers ASD, MLD and SLD SEN provision and has a capacity of 192. Taking into account the local authority's view that more places are required at special schools due to growing need, Billing Brook being over capacity and its outstanding Ofsted rating, it is unlikely that its long-term viability will be affected by Purple Oaks Academy.
Hospital and Outreach Education	No SEN priority recorded	Pupil Referral Unit	3 - 18	2.7	No headcount data available	Outstanding	23/10/2014	Minimal – This pupil referral unit offers provision for those who are unable to attend school full time due to complex medical and/or mental health needs. Most pupils are dual registered with their own mainstream or special school. Purple Oaks Academy is not likely to affect the unit's long-term viability as it will cater for a different cohort of pupils.
Greenfields Specialist School for Communication	1) SLD, 2) PMLD, 3) ASD, 4) MSI	Academy Special Converter	11 - 19	2.8	95	Good	07/02/2014	Minimal –This special school caters for PMLD and MSI and like Purple Oaks, SLD and ASD. Greenfields Specialist School has a capacity of 90 and is currently over capacity. The school is rated 'good' by Ofsted. A combination of its Ofsted rating, wider SEN provision and popularity mean it is unlikely to be affected by Purple Oaks Academy.
Hunsbury Park Primary School	1) SEMH	Community School (Pre- pipeline academy)	4 - 11	3.3	5	Good	28/11/2012	Minimal – This mainstream primary school has a SEN unit that caters for a different type of SEN.
East Hunsbury Primary School	Moderate Learning Difficulty	Community School	4 - 11	4.2	35	Good	17/07/2013	Minimal – This mainstream primary school has a unit that caters for a different type of SEN.
Caroline Chisholm School	1) ASD	Academy Converter	4 - 18	4.7	15	Good	27/09/2012	Minimal – Rated good by Ofsted, this all-through mainstream school has a designated special provision for autism with a capacity of 15, 10 of which are for secondary. The long-term viability of Caroline Chisholm School is unlikely to be affected by the establishment of

								Purple Oaks Academy, due to its good rating and its popularity.
The Gateway School	1) SEMH	Community Special School	11 - 18	8.1	60	Outstanding	10/06/2015	Minimal – This school caters for a different type of SEN.
Croyland Primary School	1) SLCN, 2) SEMH, 3) SEMH	Community School (Pre- pipeline academy)	5 - 11	8.2	10	Good	03/10/2012	Minimal – This mainstream school has a special unit that caters for a different type of SEN.
Friars Academy	1) ASD	Academy Special Converter	11 - 18	8.6	147	Outstanding	05/06/2015	Minimal - Friars Academy offers provision for ASD with a focus on communication and interaction and cognition and learning whereas Purple Oaks will offer SEN provision to those with ASD/Asperger's Syndrome and SLD. Therefore, and taking into account its outstanding rating, Friars Academy's is not likely to have its long-term viability impacted by the opening of Purple Oaks Academy.