

## **Regional Schools Commissioner's Office**

Cheylesmore House Quinton Road Coventry CV1 2WT

The Members and Directors of The Brookfield School Ltd 139 Grandstand Rd Hereford HR4 9NG

Email: RSC.WM@education.gov.uk

3 March 2020

Dear Mr Manson

Minded to Terminate Letter to the Members and Directors of The Brookfield School Ltd in respect of The Brookfield School.

In accordance with section 2A of the Academies Act 2010<sup>i</sup> 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 13 December 2019 confirming that The Brookfield School was judged to be inadequate and requires special measures.

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.

I would be grateful for the following evidence:

- 1. copy of your Post-Inspection Action Plan,
- 2. information on the improvement pupils are making, in particular with early reading/ phonics and developing reading further in secondary pupils, and
- 3. Plans that leaders have for improving behaviour and increasing attendance.

Please supply the requested information to me within fifteen working days of the date of this letter to <a href="RSC.WM@education.gov.uk">RSC.WM@education.gov.uk</a> outlining the actions that you will be taking to remedy the matters identified above.

I would also like to arrange for a follow-up meeting in addition to the meeting arranged for the 25 February to be held between representatives from my office, the Chair of the Trust, the CEO of the Trust and any other appropriate representatives. This meeting will review the Trust's response to this letter and inform my view on the capacity of the Trust. The meeting will take place at:

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My office will be in touch to arrange a suitable time and date for this meeting. I am copying this letter to Herefordshire County Council, Jesse Norman (MP for Hereford), Ofsted and Dominic Herrington, the National Schools Commissioner. This letter will be published on www.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

**Andrew Warren** 

**Regional Schools Commissioner for the West Midlands** (CC to Herefordshire LA)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> Inserted by section 14 of the Education and Adoption Act 2016