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10th February 2022

Dear Mr Fargher

Termination Warning Notice to the Members and Trustees of Huxlow Science College in respect of Huxlow Science College, North Northamptonshire

In accordance with sections 2A and 2D 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 31 January 2022 confirming that Huxlow Science College was judged to be inadequate and has serious weaknesses. For the reasons set out below, I now consider it necessary to issue this Termination Warning Notice.

- The leadership and management of the school has been judged to be inadequate. Leaders and governors have not ensured that the current leadership structure is fit for purpose.
- Behaviour and attitudes at the school have been judged inadequate and the arrangements for safeguarding are not effective.

Please provide me with any representations you wish to make, as well as the above information, by 11th March 2022. These should be sent to

I am copying this letter to the National Schools Commissioner and the interim Director of Children's Service at North Northamptonshire local authority. A copy of this letter will also be published on GOV.UK. I would be grateful if you could share this letter with the members and other trustees of the trust.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'K. Dethridge'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and a trailing flourish.

Dame Kate Dethridge
Regional Schools Commissioner for North West London and South Central