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Dear Mr Simpson

### **Notice to Improve: Cirrus Primary Academy Trust**

On 11 September 2020, I wrote to your predecessor in their capacity as the Chair of Trustees at Cirrus Primary Academy Trust ('the trust') to serve notice that the trust was required to improve governance and financial management. This was a consequence of the trust's failure to meet the requirements set out in the Academy Trust Handbook (also known as the Academies Financial Handbook) in these two areas.

The (Financial) Notice to Improve (Ntl) set out the actions that needed to be taken by the trust to make sure necessary improvements were made.

We have closely monitored the trust's progress against the conditions set out in the notice, which included action to implement the recommendations made in two School Resource Management Advisor reports, the submission of a five-year financial plan and various other conditions linked to strengthening governance of the trust. I am pleased to inform you that I am satisfied that the Ntl conditions have been met. As a result, the Ntl will be lifted with effect from the date of this letter.

This letter will be published on the GOV.UK website. I am copying this letter to Sharon Roberts, Accounting Officer of the trust and Claire Burton, Regional Director for London.

It is important that the trust continues to embed the controls and processes which have led to this improved position and continues to ensure strong financial oversight of the trust. I would like to thank you for your contribution in ensuring the trust has reached this position.

Yours sincerely

Warwick Sharp  
Director, Schools Financial Support and Oversight