



Department
for Education

Note of decisions: North East Advisory Board.

Date of planned meeting: 24 July 2025

Advice

No meeting took place.

Regional Director (RD)

- Katherine Cowell

Decisions taken outside of AB meeting

List of decisions taken outside of AB meetings.

Converter academy orders

Project: Hutton Henry CE Primary School, County Durham to join Melrose Learning Trust.

Representations received:

- No representations were made for this project.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Bothal Primary School, Northumberland to join WISE Academies.

Representations received:

- No representations were made for this project.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Central Primary School, Northumberland to join WISE Academies.

Representations received:

- No representations were made for this project.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Trust changes

Project: Transfer of Firthmoor Primary School, Darlington joining Northern Lights Learning Trust.

Representations received:

- No representations were made for this project.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Significant changes to an open academy

Project: Welbeck Academy, WISE Academies, Newcastle. Significant change application to withdraw Additionally Resourced Provision (ARP) from 1 September 2025.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Bishop Wilkinson Catholic Education Trust, County Durham. Significant change application to extend their Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) to include nursery pupils.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: The Avenue Primary School, Lingfield Education Trust, Middlesbrough. Significant change application to change the age range from 3-11 to 2-11 and add 5 additional places for 2-year-olds from 1 September 2025.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Northwood Primary School, Lingfield Education Trust, Darlington. Significant change application to change the age range from 3-11 to 2-11 and add 10 additional places for 2-year-olds from 1 September 2025.

Decision: Approve

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Cramlington Village Primary School, Cramlington Village Primary Ltd, Northumberland. Significant change application to change the age range from 3-11 to 2-11 from 1 September 2025.

Decision: Approve with condition that the trust must update its Supplemental Funding Agreement (SFA) and Master Funding Agreement (MFA).

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Springwell School, Extol Academy Trust, Hartlepool. Significant change application to reduce the number of Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) designations from 9 to 4.

Decision: Approve.

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Rossmere Academy, Extol Academy Trust, Hartlepool. Significant change application to expand full-time nursery places from 13 to 26.

Decision: Approve.

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Green Lane Primary Academy, The Legacy Learning Trust, Middlesbrough. Significant change application to change the age range from 3-11 to 2-11 to provide 20 2-year-old places, from 1 September 2025.

Decision: Approve.

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Outwood Academy Normanby, Outwood Grange Academies Trust, Redcar & Cleveland. Significant change application to add a SEND Additionally Resourced Provision (ARP).

Decision: Approve.

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: Cheviot Primary School, SMART Multi Academy Trust, Newcastle. Significant change application to close the existing Early Years Assessment provision and replace it with two Communication and Interaction Additionally Resourced Provision (ARP).

Decision: Approve.

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

Project: St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School, Bishop Hogarth Catholic Education Trust, Hartlepool. Retrospective significant change application to add a nursery and change the age range from 3-11 to 2-11.

Decision: Approve.

Conflicts: None

Further Actions Required: Delivery Officer to inform school / trust of the decision.

