



Department  
for Education

## Note of decisions: South East Advisory Board

21 January 2026

### Advice

No meeting was held.

### Regional Director (RD)

- Kate Dethridge

### Decisions taken outside of AB meeting

List of decisions taken outside of AB meetings.

#### Converter Academy Order

**Project: Tadworth Primary School, Surrey, to convert and join Bourne Education Trust**

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None

**Further actions required:** Inform the school/trust, and local authority.

**Project: Broughton Fields Primary, Milton Keynes, to convert and join Preston Hedges Trust**

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None

**Further actions required:** Inform the school/trust, and local authority.

#### Significant Change

**Project: The Wren School, Excalibur Academies Trust, Reading, to make the following changes:**

- Adding a SEN unit or resourced provision

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further actions required:** Inform the school/trust and local authority.

**Project: King's Academy Bay House, Kings Group Academies, Hampshire, to make the following changes:**

- Adding a SEN unit or resourced provision

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further actions required:** Inform the school/trust and local authority.

**Project: Freemantle Church of England Community Academy, Southampton, to make the following changes:**

- Acquiring an additional (satellite) site

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further actions required:** Inform the school/trust, diocese and local authority.

**Project: Aspire, Aspire Schools, Buckinghamshire, to make the following changes:**

- Change of age range (including adding or removing a nursery or sixth form provision)
- Expansion (increasing physical capacity including increasing sixth forms and nurseries)

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further actions required:** Inform the school/trust and local authority.

## **Trust Changes**

**Project: Bexhill High Academy, East Sussex, to join Mulberry Schools Trust**

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None

**Further actions required:** Inform the school/trust and local authority.

**Project: Fulham Cross Trust, London, and Bourne Education Trust, Surrey, to merge**

**Decision:** Approve

**Conflicts:** None

**Further actions required:** Inform the schools/trusts and local authorities.

## List of projects listed on the published draft agenda, but were removed before the meeting

### Converter Academy Order

**Project:** Portfields Primary School, Milton Keynes

**Reason for removal:** Project not ready for decision due to outstanding issue.

### Academy opening approved in principle

List of academies approved to open the following month.

**Rowhill School, Inclusive Education Trust, Hampshire.**

**Points raised:** N/A.

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further action required:** Inform the school/trust and local authority.

**Shinfield St Mary's CofE Junior School, Agape Multi-Academy Trust, Berkshire.**

**Points raised:** N/A.

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further action required:** Inform the school/trust, diocese and local authority.

**St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Bosco Catholic Education Trust, West Sussex.**

**Points raised:** N/A.

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further action required:** Inform the school/trust, diocese and local authority.

**St Richard's Catholic Primary School, Bosco Catholic Education Trust, West Sussex.**

**Points raised:** N/A.

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further action required:** Inform the school/trust, diocese and local authority.

**Woodingdean Primary School, Eko Trust, East Sussex.**

**Points raised:** N/A.

**Conflicts:** None.

**Further action required:** Inform the school/trust, and local authority.