

STATUTORY NOTICE

REVOCATION PROPOSAL the re-organisation of Fosse Primary School and Slater Primary School Part 1

In accordance with School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013, Leicester City Council is proposing to revoke a previous decision to make prescribed alterations to Fosse Primary School, Balfour Street, Leicester, LE3 5EA.

Leicester City Council previously proposed to enlarge the school with effect from 1 September 2021. Implementation of this proposal resulted in the school being enlarged from a 420-place primary school, 60 places per year from Reception to Year 6, to a 1050-place primary school, 150 places per year from Reception to Year 6.

Part 2

In accordance with The School Organisation (Establishment and Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2013 Leicester City Council is proposing to revoke a previous decision to discontinue Slater Primary School, Slater Street, Leicester, LE3 5AS.

Leicester City Council previously proposed to discontinue with effect from 31 August 2021. This proposal is 'related' to those in Part 1 above.

All pupils attending Slater Primary School at the time of its closure would have transferred to the roll of Fosse Primary School (see Part 1). Pupils in Year 6 at the time of its closure would have transferred to a secondary school as part of the usual secondary transfer process. If the revocation is approved Slater Primary School will remain open.

The statutory notice for the original proposals was published on 9 April 2018 and a decision was taken by Leicester City Council on 5 July 2018 to implement the proposals. The date of implementation was then modified to 2021. The modification was published on 31 January 2019 and a decision was taken by Leicester City Council on 20 March 2019.

Leicester City Council is of the view that circumstances have so altered since approval to reorganise Fosse Primary School and Slater Primary School was given that implementation of the proposals would be inappropriate and is therefore seeking to be relieved of the duty to implement the proposals in this respect.

The approval of the original proposals was made on the grounds of meeting a projected increase in demand for primary places in the area arising from an ongoing projected birth increase. However due to the current number of surplus primary places in the city and a fall in the demand for reception places through a drop in births, the implementation of further additional primary school places at Fosse Primary School are no longer required.

The Fosse expansion programme is no longer going ahead. This means that Fosse Primary School do not have the building capacity to expand its pupil numbers. The pupils who would be displaced from the closure of Slater Primary School are unable to transfer to the roll of Fosse Primary School.

Leicester City Council is required by the School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013 to formally publish revocation proposals where it does not intend to proceed with previously approved proposals.

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object or make comments on this revocation proposal by sending them to: Richard Sword, Director, Capital Programmes, Leicester City Council, City Hall, 115 Charles Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ or by email to Richard.sword@leicester.gov.uk

At the conclusion of the four-week period any representations will be communicated to the decision maker and a formal decision will be made. Providing that approval is obtained, the authority will proceed with the revocation of the proposals.

Signed: Richard Sword, Director, Capital Programmes
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