

Re-organisation of Ellesmere College

Notice is given in accordance with The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013 that Leicester City Council intends to make prescribed alterations to Ellesmere College, Braunstone Lane East, Leicester, LE3 2FD with effect from 1st September 2021. An expansion of the school is proposed which will be delivered at a satellite site achieved by the refurbishment of The Rowans, College Street, Leicester LE2 0JH.

A separate statutory proposal was issued dated 1 March 2021 in which the Council proposed to expand Ellesmere College by 60 pupils at a satellite site at Knighton Fields Centre. The provision proposed at the Knighton Fields Centre site is for pupils aged 5 – 19 with complex autistic spectrum conditions. Whilst these proposals both relate to the expansion of Ellesmere College the Council does not consider that they are related because the implementation or non-implementation of either proposal would not prevent or undermine the implementation of the other.

If the statutory proposal referred to above at the Knighton Fields Centre is approved following the statutory process the number on roll at Ellesmere College would increase from its current number of 286 to 346.

This current proposal proposes to further increase the number by another 80 pupils. This would further increase the capacity of the school. and this expansion would become the second satellite site for the main school.

The intended expansion of 80 will be fully implemented upon the completion of the refurbishment project.

The new site (The Rowans) will be used to accommodate Post-16 students. The admissions arrangements will remain the same. Whole school activities will be split between the sites. Staff and Governors will oversee all sites. The students reside across the city, for some the new site will be more accessible than the current site.

Statutory consultation requirements relating to this proposal have been complied with.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposals can be obtained from:

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Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to:

Pauline Killoran, Head of Service – Special Educational Needs and Disabilities integrated Services 0-25 yrs, by email to pauline.killoran@leicester.gov.uk

Signed: Martin Samuels, Strategic Director of Social Care and Education

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Notes:

1. The expanded school will retain its school LA/DFE number and unique reference number.
2. An additional site is required for this expansion. This will be subject to the normal planning permission process.