



ST. HILD'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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At St. Hild's Church of England School we aim to provide all of our pupils
with a world class education in a Christian context.
We expect to find God at work in our school.



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

To:

Pupils, parents and carers

Employees and their trade union representatives

Community users

Hartlepool Borough Council Children's Services

Local schools and colleges

Local Church of England representatives including Parochial Church Councils of St Hilda's
and Holy Trinity West View, Hartlepool

22nd February 2021

Dear Stakeholder

Outcome of stakeholder 'Academy Consultation' engagement

I am writing to you on behalf of the Interim Executive Board (IEB) of St Hild's Church of England School, which was appointed by the Department for Education after the school's last Ofsted inspection in September 2019. This letter is to provide an update regarding the outcome of the stakeholder engagement process about the intention for St Hild's Church of England School to becoming a sponsored academy.

Since the previous correspondence sent out in December to start the engagement process, we have been keen to receive feedback from all stakeholders. As the deadline for views has now passed, I can confirm that the IEB members met yesterday and understand that no formal responses to the consultation have been received by the school through the various communication channels that were available. We also considered the questions raised by staff in the meetings held, and by pupils through postcards handed out during time with their Tutors. Questions raised during staff meetings were addressed at the time and with no further actions required (other than the ongoing consultation about the transfer of staff to NEAT Academy Trust). To help personalise feedback to pupils, Mrs Bailey NEAT CEO, has produced video messages to respond to individual questions raised by the pupils which will be shared during PSHE lesson after half-term.

In light of no concerns being raised during the stakeholder engagement process, the IEB are pleased to continue their support for St Hild's to join NEAT Academy Trust as a sponsored academy. The IEB believe that the trust and the school share a common purpose and values to nurture, educate, achieve and transform. Opportunities for colleagues to collaborate and share expertise will ultimately support every young person at St. Hild's to be prepared personally, socially and academically for the next stage of their lives in a changing world.



*"I have come that they may have
life in all its fullness."* - John 10:10



NEAT Academy Trust is currently progressing the legal process for St Hild's to join the trust with their Board of Directors due to make a final decision to proceed at their meeting on 2 March and seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Education. All parties are working towards St. Hild's joining the trust on 1 April, if legal processes can be concluded in time. This is to some extent outside the control of both the school and the trust. We will keep you informed as this process progresses over the weeks ahead.

In the meantime, if you have any further questions or comments we still welcome your feedback.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Hughes', written over a light grey grid background.

Mark Hughes
Vice Chair

St Hild's Church of England School Interim Executive Board (IEB)