



EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Notice under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

On 23 May 2024 County Council intends to hold a meeting of the Lead Member for Education and Inclusion, Special Educational Needs and Disability at which the following item will be considered: Burfield Academy and Phoenix Academy.

The purpose of the item is: To consider the local authority's response to Step Academy Trust's consultation on a proposal to amalgamate Burfield Academy and Phoenix Academy.

Under the requirements of Regulation 9 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 the Council is required to give 28 days' notice of a key decision identified within the scope of these regulations. It is considered that item referred to above would be a key decision and for the reasons of urgency outlined below, compliance is considered impracticable, and an exception to Regulation 9 is therefore sought under Regulation 10 of the above Regulations. It is considered impracticable to comply with the requirements of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 because: Step Academy Trust commenced its consultation on 29 April. The consultation period runs until 24 May. The local authority's response to the consultation needs to be sent by that date.

Accordingly a copy of this notice shall be available pursuant to Regulation 5(6) for at least 5 clear days prior to 23 May 2024.

Date: 30 April 2024