













Consultation for the relocation of Park Community Academy Sixth Form Provision



Introduction

Over recent years there has been increasing pressure on special school places within Blackpool. The Park Community Academy (PCA) Whitegate Drive campus is now operating at full capacity and yet the demand for outstanding special school places remains high. Therefore, Blackpool Council, in consultation with The Sea View Trust and the PCA Governors have identified The Oracle building as an excellent resource in which to base post 16 learners with additional needs in Blackpool. It is therefore proposed to transfer the PCA post 16 pathways offer to the Oracle site, delivered and supported by our current PCA staff team. This will also create additional space on our existing site to continue to meet the needs of pre 16 learners with SEND in Blackpool. The council have agreed to fund the building works necessary to ensure that the Oracle provides a safe learning environment in which our young people can continue their journey towards independence and employment.

At the Sea View Trust we are passionate about providing a high-quality education for all our learners. We strongly feel this opportunity will enable our post 16 learners to have an appropriate environment and a holistic curriculum offer which fully meets their needs, whilst ensuring we prepare them for adulthood and the world of work.

The Proposal

Current location	Proposed location		
Westbury Sixth Form Centre	The Oracle		
Park Community Academy	49 St Anne's Road		
Blackpool	Blackpool		
FY3 9HF	FY4 2AP		

The Oracle is a 3 storey building that has a café dining space, external plaza, classroom areas, meeting rooms, activity space and office accommodation.

Admissions of learners to the school would still be the decision of the Local Authority, in consultation with the school, due to all learners on roll requiring an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

Where appropriate young people attending the Oracle would continue to be provided with Local Authority transport, or supported to become independent travellers.



The consultation

Your opinions regarding the Oracle are very important to us and we would like to hear from as many people as possible in the coming weeks so that we can address any questions that you might have and act on feedback to ensure our provision is the very best in can be to meet the needs of post 16 young people in Blackpool with additional needs.

You can give us feedback in a number of ways:

- Complete the survey below and return to Park Community Academy, 158 Whitegate Drive, Blackpool FY3 9HF (paper copies will be available at PCA reception).
- Complete the online version of the survey at https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PQMGTQ9
- Attend a public consultation meeting at PCA which will be held on Monday 20th September 2021 at 4pm.

The consultation will run from Monday 6th September to Monday 4th October 2021 at 12 noon. Your feedback is very important to us.

We will record all views that are shared with us during the formal consultation window.

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Survey

We ask that you fill in as much as you can so we can analyse the responses and see who has taken part. You will not be identified by any of the information provided.

About you (please tick the box that describes how you would like to be represented)

I am a:

Parent/Carer	
Student	
Staff member at PCA	
Governor at PCA	
Staff member or Governor at another Sea View Trust school	
Staff member or Governor at another local school	
Trustee or Member of the Sea View Trust	
Local Resident	
Local College or Sixth Form provider	
Member of the Local Authority or Blackpool Council	
Other	
Please specify:	



Your views (please tick one box and if you have any specific reasons for your level of support/opposition, it would be helpful if you could include them in the comments box at the end)

Strongly agree

Do you agree with the proposal to relocate Park Community Academy sixth form provision to The Oracle?

Agree			
Neither agree nor disagree			
Disagree			
Strongly disagree			
Don't know			
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Your comments (please write in the box below)			