









Consultation to create a new Multi Academy Trust

The governing bodies of five primary schools have been working closely over a period of time and have now applied to the Department for Education for academy approval and have decided to proceed to consultation around the proposal to form a new MAT.

This new MAT would initially consist of: Battle Hill Primary, Burradon Community Primary, Denbigh Primary, Hadrian Park Primary and Spring Gardens Primary.

Should the MAT go ahead, we would hope that other innovative schools would choose to be part of an exciting opportunity.

Because our schools are each very successful in their own right, we would look to retain much of our independence and individuality. We want to protect and celebrate what is unique about each school and maintain our individual school identities in order to best serve our communities. But, as part of a larger collaborative structure, we believe we can achieve even greater things and provide an even better educational experience for all of our children. By working closely with like-minded partner schools we will have the opportunity to share best practice and support and challenge each other in a much more meaningful way to drive school improvement, innovation and change.

We are now undertaking formal consultation and would like views from our local communities.

Please access the <u>consultation website</u> for further information and access to the consultation form which can be found in the 'Have your say' section.