

## **Proposal to change the category of Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School from 'Community' to 'Foundation'**

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(3) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School intends to make a prescribed alteration to Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School (Community School) Selkirk Drive, Holmes Chapel, Cheshire, CW4 7DX . The proposed alteration is to Change School Category from Community to Foundation from 01 September 2008.

The Government is keen to encourage successful schools to apply for Foundation Status. Foundation Status gives schools increased autonomy to determine its own future and to meet the particular aspirations of its students and its local community. The DCSF asserts that the people best placed to decide how the school should develop and to influence its key policies are its stakeholders: students, parents, staff, members of the local community and the school's supporters and partners. Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School would remain an East Cheshire school with strong Cheshire Associations and entitlement to the same LA activities and decision making processes as at present. The Governing Body recognises that the LA has interests of its students at heart. However LAs have a responsibility to direct its resources primarily to schools and target groups which only rarely, if ever, include ours. We would seek to tailor our policies to the needs and aspirations of our individual schools and community.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from: Mrs R Sunderland, Clerk to the Governors, at the school's address.

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 by letter to Mrs R Sunderland, Clerk to the Governors, at the school's address, or by email to Mrs R Sunderland at [office@hccs.info](mailto:office@hccs.info).

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