



King Edward VII School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Academisation of King Edward VII School

Further to my letter dated the 27 April 2023, I would like to update you on the School's position regarding academisation.

I attended a meeting at 2.00pm today, Friday 5 May 2023, with the Regional Director and the Deputy Director. The Chair of the Governing Board, Dr Peter Dickson, and the Vice Chair of the Governing Board, Mrs Kate Williamson, also attended this meeting.

Key points from the meeting

The Regional Director:

- Explained that restrictions, with reference to the local elections, had been lifted so the Department for Education could update the School regarding sponsorship and the decision making process
- Explained that she has **deferred** the decision regarding the sponsorship of King Edward VII School
- Will conduct a comparative analysis of additional multi academy trusts
- Confirmed that she has looked at all the communications she has received from the School, parents, carers and external parties
- Noted that the earliest point at which the sponsorship of King Edward VII School will be considered by the Regional Advisory Board will be at its June 2023 meeting, or possibly the July 2023 meeting
- Noted that the Chair, Vice Chair and myself would be notified in advance of the meeting

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I asked the Regional Director if the comparative analysis that she will be conducting will be within Sheffield i.e. local multi academy trusts. The Regional Director acknowledged that a number of local MATS would be considered.

A further meeting will be convened in the future.

I wish to thank you again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "L Gooden".

Ms L Gooden
Headteacher