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## Horndon-on-the-Hill C. of E. Primary School

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Dear Parent or Carer,

### CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED ACADEMY CONVERSION

#### Background

The Governing Body of Horndon-on-the-Hill Church of England Primary School has, for some time, been considering the best future strategy for our school. We want to secure the school's future and build on its strengths as we strive to provide an outstanding education for the children who attend the school.

#### Proposal

The Governing Body think that the time is right for Horndon-on-the-Hill Church of England Primary School to become an academy and join the Osborne Co-operative Academy Trust (previously known as St Clere's Co-operative Trust). We have considered numerous options over the past two years and believe becoming part of the Osborne Co-operative Academy Trust is in the best interests of all our children, staff, parents and wider community. As a Church of England academy we will retain and develop our distinctive Christian ethos; maintain high standards in both academic and personal development, but in addition, our children and staff will benefit from the increased opportunities arising from working in long term partnership with the Osborne Co-operative Academy Trust. The proposal is that Horndon-on-the-Hill Church of England Primary School converts to academy status and joins the Osborne Co-operative Academy Trust on 1st November 2018.

#### Consultation

The Governing Body wants to consult with parents, carers, staff, pupils and the wider community on the proposal for Horndon-on-the-Hill Church of England Primary School to convert to academy status. The consultation period will run between Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The Governing Body will then consider a report on the academy consultation before making a final decision on the proposal.

We would like to invite parents and carers to a consultation meeting on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm at the school. There will be a brief presentation and then there will be opportunity to ask questions of the Governing Body; Headteacher and Paul Griffiths, Chief Executive Officer, the Osborne Co-operative Academy Trust.

If you have any feedback on the proposal that you would like to share with the Governing Body, then please do complete the attached questionnaire and return to school.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of Governors

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Headteacher

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