BOLTON COUNCIL STATUTORY NOTICE FOR THE PROPOSED ENLARGEMENT OF GREEN FOLD SPECIAL SCHOOL

Notice is given in accordance with Section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 and the School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013 that Bolton Council intends to make a prescribed alteration to enlarge Green Fold Special School, Highfield Road, Farnworth, Bolton, BL4 0NS.

It is proposed to enlarge and increase the current capacity of Green Fold Special School in order to permanently expand the pupil places at the school from 130 to 185 places with effect from the 1st September 2025.

Green Fold Special School provides education for children aged 4 to 11 (Reception to Y6) and currently operates across two main sites at the Upper and Lower Orchards alongside Cherry Tree Primary school and the Orchards Nursery, both of which are located off Highfield Road in Farnworth, Bolton. In addition, it presently operates two satellite facilities out of the former Little Lever Children's Centre building on Herbert Street, Little Lever and from the former Alexandra Nursery building located on Martha Street, Daubhill, Bolton.

The proposed increase in capacity will be achieved by internal remodelling and extending the two buildings at the current Upper and Lower Orchards sites. The proposal also includes the construction of an Early Years unit at the Upper Orchards site, to accommodate the Orchards Nursery which will be relocated from the Lower Orchards site.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposals. Copies of the complete proposals can be obtained from the Council's website at www.bolton.gov.uk/schoolconsultations

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal (ie Sunday 4th March 2024) any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to consultation@bolton.gov.uk with the subject line as 'Statutory School Consultation — Green Fold' or alternatively you can write in to:

Freepost RTTT-YTEL-YSXS, Consultation & Research Team, 2nd Floor, Town Hall, Victoria Square, Bolton, BL1 1RU.

Bernie Brown, Director of Children's Services

Monday 5th February 2024