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To Staff, Parents/Carers and Stakeholders

### **Consultation on a proposal to expand the capacity at Tulip Academy Spalding**

The Priory School and The Garth School in Spalding are officially merging in September 2022 to become Tulip Academy Spalding. The Community Inclusive Trust (C.I.T), in collaboration with Lincolnshire County Council (LCC), is today commencing consultation on the proposal to permanently expand the capacity at Tulip Academy Spalding from September 2022.

It is the statutory duty of LCC to ensure that there are sufficient school places to accommodate all pupils of statutory school age in Lincolnshire including provision for children with special educational needs and disability (SEND).

This proposal is to permanently expand the agreed number on roll at the school from 177, to a new capacity of 202. Pupils will continue to be based across either the Priory or Garth School sites. Additional teaching and resource space will not be required to enable the school to accommodate this increased capacity. However, the Priory School is part way through significant capital improvement works which will improve the condition and suitability of that site.

C.I.T believes this proposal is the best available option to address the need for SEND (special educational needs and disabilities) places in the local area. The 25-pupil expansion will enable children to attend a suitable school with the specialist provision they need. It will reduce the need to place children in schools a considerable distance away from where they live. C.I.T consider that the proposal is an opportunity to extend and further enhance the already excellent provision in place at, what will soon become, Tulip Academy Spalding, benefitting and supporting children from the local community with additional needs.

If agreed, the proposed implementation date for the increased number on roll capacity would be 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022.

It is important that C.I.T gather and consider all views on this proposal prior to deciding on whether to proceed, and would welcome discussions with anyone who may be interested in finding out more or have comments that they wish to be taken into consideration when a decision is made.

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GANF - Ambergate Sports College | GANF - Sandon School | Isaac Newton Primary School  
SSS - The Garth School | SSS - The Priory School | Boston Endeavour Academy  
Woodlands Academy | Poplar Farm Primary School | Caythorpe Primary School  
Chapel St Leonards Primary School | Greenfields Academy | St Paul's Community Primary School and Nursery | Foxfields Academy | Bowman Academy | Linchfield Community Primary School | Bingham Primary School | LEARN Teaching Centre



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## **Have your say**

The consultation window opened today, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022, and will close on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

**A face to face event is being held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 4pm at The Priory School, Neville Avenue, Spalding, PE11 2EH. All are welcome.**

If you would like to discuss these proposals further before responding, then please come along to the meeting or contact me using the contact details provided below.

Please visit our website to complete a consultation response form or use this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/ba9RzNkKey>

Alternatively, you can email direct to [jacki.bartram@citacademies.co.uk](mailto:jacki.bartram@citacademies.co.uk)

Paper responses can be posted to either the school office – Jacki Bartram, The Priory School, Neville Avenue, Spalding, PE11 2EH, or to Jacki Bartram, C.I.T Academies, Poplar Farm School, Helmsley Road, Grantham, NG31 8XF.

Copies of all documentation relating to this proposal will be posted to both the school and the C.I.T website.

Yours sincerely



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