



# Coppice

## Primary Partnership

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**Dear Stakeholders,**

We are writing to update you following the conclusion of the recent consultation on the proposal for Staplehurst School to join Coppice Primary Partnership (CPP).

The consultation period has now closed, and both the Governing Body of Staplehurst School and the CPP Board of Trustees have considered the feedback received alongside ongoing due diligence. Based on this, both boards have agreed to move forward with the proposal by beginning work on an application for Staplehurst School to become an academy and formally join the Trust.

The consultation attracted responses from a broad range of stakeholders, including parents, staff, governors, and members of the wider community. Overall, the feedback was strongly supportive, with many respondents highlighting the strategic and educational benefits of growing CPP in a careful, values-led way. Stakeholders recognised the alignment between Staplehurst School and CPP in terms of ethos, educational approach and commitment to community.

Where questions or concerns were raised, these were largely focused on ensuring that growth remains sustainable, that school identity is protected, and that resources and support continue to be deployed responsibly. These are themes that the Board of Trustees takes seriously and which will continue to guide decision-making as the Trust develops.

The next step is to work through the formal application process with the Department for Education. This includes further checks and approvals, and there is no immediate change for existing CPP schools as a result of this decision.

We will continue to keep stakeholders informed as the process progresses and thank you for your continued support of Coppice Primary Partnership and its schools.

Yours sincerely,

Trust Leader

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