Statutory Notice

Proposal to discontinue (close) Oldhill Community School including the Additional Resourced Provision for autistic children and amalgamate (merge) the student body with Harrington Hill Primary School

Hackney Council publishes these proposals under section 15 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (as amended by the Education Act 2011) and the School Organisation (Establishment and Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2013. This notice is published following a consultation which took place between 8 October and 19 November 2024. The proposed changes would take effect on 31 August 2025 and 1 September 2025.

Hackney Council proposes to discontinue Oldhill Community School (Oldhill Street, London N16 6LR), and merge the student body with Harrington Hill Primary School, (Mount Pleasant Lane, London E5 9JG).

The reason for publishing this proposal is the significant fall in pupil numbers across Hackney, and at Oldhill Community School in particular.

This proposal is linked to a proposal to expand Harrington Hill Primary School from 1 form of entry to 2 forms of entry and to establish an Additional Resourced Provision (ARP) for autistic children at Harrington Hill. This proposal can be viewed here: consultation.hackney.gov.uk/children-education/stat-notice-closure-merger

Together, these proposals would see:

- Oldhill Community School discontinued on 31 August 2025;
- Harrington Hill Primary School expanded from 1 form of entry (30 pupils admitted each year), to 2 forms of entry (60 children admitted each year) on 1 September 2025;
- All children attending Oldhill Community School offered a place at Harrington Hill Primary School should parents/carers want one, and;
- An ARP for up to 12 autistic children opening at Harrington Hill Primary School on 1 September 2025

This proposal was published on 6 February 2025. Within four weeks of the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by visiting consultation.hackney.gov.uk/children-education/stat-notice-closure-merger (scan the QR code below) by emailing: school.sufficiency@hackney.gov.uk, or by writing to:

School Sufficiency & Estates Team Hackney Council Hackney Service Centre 1 Hillman Street London, E8 1DY

The closing date for receipt of responses to the representation period is 5 March 2025 at 5pm. The Council's Cabinet will meet after the end of the representation period, in April 2025, to take the final decision on all proposals in this notice and the linked notice.

This notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be viewed at: consultation.hackney.gov.uk/children-education/stat-notice-closure-merger

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