

20th April 2022

Foxfields Academy Proposed Expansion

CONSULTATION REPORT



**The consultation window opened on Thursday 17th March 2022,
and closed on Wednesday 13th April 2022.**

The Proposal

The proposal is made in partnership with Leicestershire County Council to ensure a sufficient supply of specialist school places to meet the needs of pupils with Social, Emotional and Mental Health needs (SEMH) within their local community, thus reducing travel time and ensuring appropriate specialist provision can be accessed.

The proposal seeks to expand the physical size of Foxfields Academy by building a new 5 classroom block on the existing site. The development would also include alterations to the parking and access road and the installation of an adjacent MUGA resource. The proposal also seeks to increase the agreed number on roll from 50 to 80. Leicestershire County Council (LCC) have confirmed their financial commitment to fund the entirety of the capital works required.

If agreed, the proposed implementation for the increased number on roll would begin from August 2022 and be at full capacity of 80 pupils by August 2023.

The Consultation

For this consultation C.I.T Academies direct mailed 110 stakeholders. This included all schools in the area, local councillors, MPs, all staff, and all parents and carers of pupils currently attending Foxfields Academy.

The Trust also promoted the consultation, inviting people to attend a face-to-face event, via its websites and social media channels:

<https://www.foxfields-cit.co.uk/consultation-foxfields-expansion/>

<https://citacademies.co.uk/consultation-foxfields-academy-expansion/>



C.I.T asked the following question and welcomed comments:

Having read the proposal at the introduction of this survey, please indicate your view by ticking ONE of the boxes below.

- I am in favour of the proposal
- I am against the proposal
- I am neither for, nor against, the proposal

Documentation used for consultation:

[Event Presentation](#)

[Event Q&A](#)

[Letter to Stakeholders](#)

Stakeholders were given the following opportunities to provide feedback:

By emailing: jacki.bartram@citacademies.co.uk

By calling: 03300 585520

By completing a quick online form:

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=loM95ITEAki5q9duGED0BS3YiW0KMFOjsEDubAHonhUODJMV1dVMlpSRU1CRII0MzIFNzdYVFNBuY4u>

By post to either the school office: Jacki Bartram, Foxfields Academy, Hospital Lane, Blaby, Leicestershire, LE8 4FE, or to Jacki Bartram, C.I.T Academies, Poplar Farm School, Helmsley Road, Grantham, NG31 8XF.

The Feedback

One member of the Local School Board attended the face-to-face event. The following questions were raised:

Q1. When will this happen?

A1. If agreed, the proposed implementation for the increased number on roll would begin from August 2022 and be at full capacity of 80 pupils by August 2023.

Q2. What changes are planned for the parking area?

A2. The planned changes are to have separate entrances for Foxfields Academy and the LCC Minibuses (who share the site). As you drive into the grounds, LCC's Minibus entrance will be immediately on the left, and the school's entrance would be further along (up to where the chicken coop currently sits).

Q3. What staff changes will there be?

A3. 30 new pupils would mean the employment of 4 new teachers and 8 new TA's.

Q4. What will the build look like?

A4. The new build is modular in design but will be finished off with a brick skin so that it aesthetically matches the original school building.

In total, C.I.T received 10 responses to the consultation. All in favour. Please see further detail below (detail has been removed for data protection purposes):

1. Please tell us in which capacity you are responding

[More Details](#)

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● Parent Carer	0
● Teacher/School Staff	9
● Governor of the School	0
● Employer/Business	1
● Other	0



4. Having read the proposal at the introduction of this survey, please indicate your view by ticking ONE of the boxes below.

[More Details](#)

● I am in favour of the proposal	10
● I am against the proposal	0
● I am neither for, nor against, t...	0



5. If you wish to tell us why this is your view, please tell us in the box below:

3 Responses

ID ↑	Name	Responses
1	Bethany Simpson	Fantastic school which is making a fantastic difference in the lives of our young people. It would be great to see this difference expand to reach further young people from around the county.
2	anonymous	Foxfields has built a fantastic reputation since it opened within the local authority, the expansion would enable Foxfields to meet the demand for places.
3	anonymous	A lot of children will benefit from the proposal, bring better education for pupils with SEND.

