Saint Benedict Catholic Voluntary Academy

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16 December 2022

Dear Stakeholder

# RE: Consultation on Admissions Arrangements to Sixth Form 2024-25

I am writing to notify you of our consultation on the Academy’s Sixth Form Admission Arrangements for the academic year of entry 2024.

The consultation process is being undertaken in accordance with the Department for Education (DfE) School Admissions Code 2021 and the consultation period will run from Friday 16 December to Monday 30 January 2023. Throughout this consultation period all stakeholders are invited to respond to the question in the consultation and share any views or concerns they have about the changes we are proposing in relation to the Admissions Arrangements to Sixth Form.

# Background to Proposal

Specifically, we are consulting on:

* St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi Academy Trust (as its own Admissions Authority) bringing the oversubscription criteria for Sixth Form admission for external students to be in line with that of admission to our main school policies. We are required to consult on this prior to any decision being taken.
* St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi Academy Trust (as its own Admissions Authority) is proposing to amend the grade entry criteria and is required to consult on this before taking a decision.

As the only Academy with a Sixth Form intake in the Trust we are publishing this consultation to permit stakeholders to comment on the policy as part of meeting our statutory requirements in the Code and the admissions requirements set by the Diocese.

Where an academy has more applications than places available the Academy Local Governing Body will draw up a ranked list based on the criteria listed and will allocate places accordingly.

In accordance with the statutory guidance, our consultation will take place for at least six weeks and, as an interested party of Saint Benedict Catholic Voluntary Academy we would like to hear your views and invite you to respond to our consultation.

Please may we ask that responses to the consultation are made in writing using the Consultation Response Form by 4.00pm on Monday 30January 2023. Please submit via email to: consultation@srscmat.co.uk or in hard copy to the Saint Benedict Academy Office,

 Duffield Road, Darley Abbey, Derby, DE22 1JD.

Once our consultation closes on 30 January 2023 and by the 28 February 2023 at the latest, the responses and representations will be considered by the Headteacher and our Trust Board before we determine final decisions in relation to our Admissions Arrangements to Sixth Form for 2024 onwards.

We are required, once agreed by the Trust Board, to publish our final Admissions Arrangements Policy for 2024-2025 on our Academy website by 15 March 2023 at the latest.

We look forward to receiving your response to our consultation.

Yours sincerely

Hazel Boyce, Headteacher

Saint Benedict Catholic Voluntary Academy

**Admissions Arrangements to Sixth Form Consultation 2024-2025**

**Consultation Response Form**

Response Form for Saint Benedict Catholic Voluntary Academy

**Please tick one statement that most applies to you:**

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| I am a parent / carer with a child currently at the Academy  |   |
| I am a member of the Academy staff  |   |
| I am a governor at the Academy  |   |
| I am a parent / carer local to the area  |   |
| I am from a local school / academy / the local authority  |   |
| I am a member of the local community  |   |
| Other (please specify) …………………………………………….…  |   |

 **Please tick one statement:**

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|  1  | **I support** the proposed Sixth Form Admissions Arrangements for 2024-25   |   |
| **I do not support** the proposed Sixth Form Admissions Arrangements for 2024-25   |   |

**Please include further comments below and if necessary, please continue onto a further page*.***

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**Name: *………………………………………………… (optional)***

**Please return this form by 4.00pm on Monday 30th January 2023 either to the Saint Benedict**

**Academy Office or email to:** **consultation@srscmat.co.uk**