

## STATUTORY NOTICE TO CHANGE THE AGE RANGE OF ST DAVID'S HIGH SCHOOL, SALTNEY, FLINTSHIRE.

## FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS GIVEN in accordance with Section 42 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 and the School Organisation Code, that Flintshire County Council of County Hall, Mold ("the local authority"), having consulted such persons as required propose to:-

- Decrease the age range of St David's High School, Saltney from 11-18 to 11-16 as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016
- Close the post-16 (sixth form) provision at St David's High School, Saltney as of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016.

It is proposed that pupils registered at St David's High School wishing to access post -16 (sixth form) provision will transfer to the Post – 16 (sixth form) Hub, Connah's Quay or other suitable provision selected by students in accordance with preference, and subject to available places.

The local authority undertook a period of consultation before deciding to publish the proposal. A consultation report containing a summary of the issues raised by consultees, the proposer's responses and the views of Estyn is available on <u>www.flintshire.gov.uk</u>

Admission arrangements for alternative schools with sixth forms that learners prefer will be dealt with in line with the Local Authority's Admission Policy.

Transport of pupils shall be dealt with by reference to the Local Authority's Home to School Transport Policy.

Within a period of 28 days of the date on which the proposal was published, that is to say by 2nd February 2015 any person may object to the proposals. Objections should be sent to the Education and Youth – Chief Officer, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 6ND.

Under Section 50 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013 ("the 2013 Act") this proposal will require approval by the Welsh Ministers whether or not objections are received as this proposal effects sixth form education.

Within 35 days of the end of the objection period the local authority must send a copy of the documents listed in subsection (4) of section 50 of the 2013 Act to the Welsh Ministers.

Signed .....

Education and Youth Chief Officer

Dated 6<sup>th</sup> January 2015

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE;**

This note does not form part of the statutory notice, but is intended to explain its general purpose

Flintshire County Council acting as the Local Authority intends to change the age range of the St David's High School in Saltney from September 1<sup>st</sup> 2016.

The alternative sixth form provision at the Post 16 Hub, Connah's Quay will be offered to students. Other post-16 education and training may be accessed as at present.

The change will mean that the sixth form at the St David's High School will be closed, however, arrangements will be made to provide continuity of provision for pupils who have started their sixth form courses.

Transport and Admissions arrangements will be in accordance with the prevailing Flintshire County Council policies.

Further information about the proposals may be obtained from the Education and Youth – Chief Officer, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire CH7 6ND (Tel. 01352 704135)