

APPENDIX 1: Childrens and Families Committee: School Academisation – Forward Plan

Date of Meeting: 12 February 2024

Key	Academy conversion completed
	Academy conversion in progress
	Change of information from previous report

The following table provides the latest position on school academy conversions. Any schools logged as completed in the previous March 2023 report have been removed from the table.

School	Phase	Status	Core School information Numbers of Pupils on Roll (NoR)	Conversion Dates Proposed (P) Actual (A)	Commentary
COMPLETED					
Millfields Primary and Nursey School	Primary	Community Maintained	NoR: 205 from Headteacher, 31/10/23 Net capacity: 210 Ofsted: Good, January 2022	A: 01/01/24	Academy Order granted to join the North West Academies Trust Limited 30/06/23 C&F Committee Report 13/11/23 CTA finalised 06/12/23 Lease finalised 07/12/23 Funding Agreement confirmed 20/12/23
IN PROGRESS					
Cledford Primary School	Primary	Community Maintained (Federation with Gainsborough)	NoR: 408 Net capacity: 420 Ofsted: Good, May 2019	P: tbc	Academy convertor information form request received, 07/11/23 Form submitted to DfE, 21/11/23 North West Advisory Board, 14/12/23 Academy Order granted to join the Alexandra Academies Trust, 19/12/23
Gainsborough	Primary	Community Maintained (Federation with Cledford)	NoR: 389 Net capacity: 450 Ofsted: Good, May 2022	P: tbc	Academy convertor information form request received, 13/11/23 Form submitted to DfE, 21/11/23 North West Advisory Board, 14/12/23 Academy Order granted to join the Alexandra Academies Trust, 19/12/23
CHANGE OF INFORMATION FROM PRIOR REPORT					
Wilmslow Group of schools: <i>Proposing to all convert into a</i>	Secondary (1) Primary (4)	Community Maintained	NoR: 2130 Ofsted:2019: Good	P: 31/03/23	Academy Orders 07/02/19 12/12/22 – Email from Tony Smith – for TCET Planning Group. Communication

<p><i>multi-academy trust at same time. schools outlined below:</i> Wilmslow High School, Styal Primary, Alderley Edge Primary, Ashdene Primary, Lindow Primary</p>			<p>Significant build programme currently in programme NoR: 119 Ofsted: 2018: Good Land ownership: National Trust NoR: 203 Ofsted: 2014: Outstanding NoR: 419 Ofsted: 2019: Outstanding NoR: 210 Ofsted: 2018: Good</p>		<p>to TCET stakeholders. The Wilmslow High School governing board has taken a decision that it is <u>not in a position to proceed</u> with the planned academisation of the school and the related formation of a Multi Academy Trust (MAT) - The Collaborative Educational Trust of Wilmslow (TCET) within the timeframe currently planned. As a result of this decision the planned academisation of the 5 schools that would make-up TCET and the MAT establishment process will be <u>paused</u>.</p>
<p>St Gregory's Catholic Primary School</p>	<p>Primary</p>	<p>Diocesan of Shrewsbury</p>	<p>NoR: 6 Net capacity: 105 Ofsted: Inadequate, February 2022</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>School Causing Concern, C&F Committee September 2023, resolved to consider future viability of the school and responses to pre-publication consultation. School closed 31/12/23. Chair of governors emailed DfE to request academy order revoked. Confirmation 09/01/24 that revocation request for the Directive Academy Order has been agreed.</p>
<p>LA Established MAT, following White Paper</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>CE LA registered interest and provided report. February 2023, confirmation from Regional Directors team, no LAs taken forward for test and learn pilot.</p>