

## **Outcome of the consultation on the expansion of Sir Thomas Abney Primary School from September 2016**

The proposal to expand Sir Thomas Abney Primary school from 2 to 3 FE from September 2016 was agreed by Hackney Learning Trust (subject to the granting of planning permission where necessary), on 8 April 2016.

On the basis of the information submitted, Hackney Learning Trust agreed the proposal for the following reasons:

The proposal to expand Sir Thomas Abney School forms part of the overall strategy to provide additional places in high quality schools where it is reasonably practical to do so. Concerns about the proposal that were raised during the first stage consultation period were noted by Hackney Learning Trust's Senior Leadership Team before the Statutory Notice was issued. Following the issuing of Statutory Notice, no further comments or objections were received.

Hackney Learning Trust is confident that Sir Thomas Abney School's management and leadership has the ability to continue to deliver high educational standards in the event of an expansion.

- KS2 results in 2015 were 82% Level 4 combined, which is higher than the national average.
- Progress measures for the past three years show strong achievement from individual starting points in reading, writing and maths.
- An Ofsted inspection in July 2015 judged the school's overall effectiveness as good. Behaviour and safety was judged as outstanding.

The Capital Budget to fund the building works has been identified and set aside by the Council, in support of this expansion.

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