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The Two Counties Trust
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30 March 2016

To: The Two Counties Trust

I am pleased to tell you that I have agreed to enter into a Funding Agreement with you to allow Selston High School to convert into an academy. My officials will forward a copy of the executed Funding Agreement to you.

Academies form an integral part of the Government's education policy to raise attainment for all children. I am delighted that Selston High School recognises the benefits academy status will bring.

The date of conversion, when the school will open as an academy, will be 1 April 2016. I am writing to Nottinghamshire County Council to instruct it to cease to maintain Selston High School from that date.

If you have notified the Department of any additional leases or subleases the academy trust wishes to grant on conversion, these will also require the consent of the Secretary of State (according to the terms of both the Funding Agreement and the relevant legislation), and we will shortly write separately in relation to this.

Your academy will now have the opportunity to use the freedoms and flexibilities of academy status to share best practice and work with others to bring about sustained improvements to all schools in the area. I would like to thank you for your commitment and wish you every success in the future.

I attach a copy of my letter to the chair of governors of Selston High School and a copy of my letter to the local authority.

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To: Chair of Governors of Selston High School

Further to your application and the Academy Order that was made previously, I am pleased to tell you that I have now agreed to enter into a Funding Agreement with The Two Counties Trust to allow Selston High School to become an academy.

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To: Mr Colin Pettigrew, Corporate Director of Children, Families and Cultural Services

I am delighted to be able to inform you that I have agreed to enter into a Funding Agreement so that Selston High School will convert into an academy.

The date of conversion (within the meaning of section 6(2) of the Academies Act 2010), and when the school will open as an academy, will be 1 April 2016, and you should cease to maintain Selston High School on that date.

As you will be aware, academies form an integral part of the Government's education policy to raise attainment for all children and to bring about sustained improvements to all schools, and I would like to thank you for your assistance with the academy process.

If you have provided publicly funded land for the academy, please also accept this letter as providing any necessary consent(s) pursuant to para 4(2) of Schedule 1 to the Academies Act 2010 (as substituted by Schedule 14 to the Education Act 2011) and section 77 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 for the authority to dispose of land, to the academy trust, that it is agreed the authority holds for the purpose of Selston High School.

I am copying this letter to the academy trust and the chair of governors of Selston High School.

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