Dear parent/career, member of public, colleague

Update on The Penwith Education Trust consultation.

I am writing to you as someone who replied to the consultation process and gave us your contact details.

You will be aware that the Governing Bodies of Alverton Community Primary School, Cape Cornwall School, Gulval Community Primary School, Humphry Davy School, Marazion Community Primary School, Mousehole Community Primary School, St Just Primary School and St Levan Community Primary School, have been consulting stakeholders on their proposals to:

- Change college category from Community to Foundation;
- And simultaneously acquire a charitable Trust to be named The Penwith Education Trust which will be a co-operative membership trust, with a strong mutual dimension.

On the evening of 17th July last, the governing bodies met to consider a detailed report setting out all the views and comments received during the very extensive consultation process that we had just undertaken.

After a presentation and questions and answers each governing body agreed that all relevant parties had been consulted and meetings held for learners, staff, parents/carers and the general public. Cornwall Local Authority and representatives from teacher associations and the trade unions representing school support staff were also invited to staff meetings, as well as to a specific meeting for the unions.

At the end of the meeting and having considered every single response form, notes of all the consultation meetings and electronic responses, each governing body separately decided to proceed to the statutory stage of the process – and without any need to change the proposals.

They also agreed that the Trust – if it goes ahead – would be a minority Trust, ie one where the minority of the governors would be appointed by the Trust – in our case, the legal minimum of two.

We attach a copy of the Statutory Notice which will appear in the Cornishman on Thursday September 13th 2012. Copies have also been placed at the main entrance to all the schools, the local shop and post office. An electronic version has also been placed on the various school websites:

www.alverton.org.uk www.cape.cornwall.sch.uk www.gulval.cornwall.sch.uk www.humphry-davy.cornwall.sch.uk www.marazion.cornwall.sch.uk www.mousehole.cornwall.sch.uk www.st-just.cornwall.sch.uk www.st-levan.cornwall.sch.uk

Any representations concerning this notice must be returned to the appropriate school at the address stated in the notice by noon on Thursday 11th October 2012.

A copy of the accompanying full Statutory Proposals agreed by the governing bodies will also be placed on the school websites by noon on Thursday 13th Seeptember. This includes copies of the detailed consultation report which went to the governing bodies. Paper copies are also available from the various school offices from that date. (*Please note however that this is a very bulky document running to well over 40 pages*).

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Signed:

Mrs Nanette Newton-Hinge Chair of Governors, Alverton Primary School

Signed
Mrs Gill Joyce
Chair of Governors
Cape Cornwall School

Signed:

Mr Martin Brownfield Chair of Governors, Gulval Primary School

Signed

Ms Katherine Uren Chair of Governors, Humphry Davy School

Signed:

Mrs Delyth James Chair of Governors, Marazion Primary School

Signed:

Mrs Margaret Byrne Chair of Governors,

Mousehole Primary School

Signed Mr Clive Apsey Chair of Governors St Just Primary School

Mrs Sharon Brolly Chair of Governors, St Levan Community Primary School