



17 April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

## **ENGAGEMENT ON THE PROPOSAL TO JOIN ANGLIAN LEARNING**

As a small two-school multi-academy trust, Stour Valley Educational Trust Limited and its Board of Trustees have been exploring the possibility of joining a larger, like-minded, values-driven multi-academy trust (MAT). We have reviewed the options and have identified Anglian Learning as the MAT that we wish to join.

The overarching purpose for taking this step is to enhance the support and opportunities that our students receive. Working as part of a larger entity whilst remaining part of a family of schools will give us the opportunity to share excellent practice across a range of schools and access high quality staff development opportunities. We should also enjoy the greater purchasing power of a larger group.

Anglian Learning is a highly successful multi-academy trust of sixteen academies in East Anglia. Together we are determined to deliver the very highest standard of education through the provision of a high-quality curriculum and the development of our pupils as individuals, so they are fully equipped for life.

The schools currently in the Trust are:

- Bassingbourn Village College, Hertfordshire
- Bottisham Village College, Cambridgeshire
- Joyce Frankland Academy, Newport, Essex
- Linton Village College, Cambridgeshire
- The Netherhall School and The Oakes College, Cambridge
- Sawston Village College, Cambridgeshire
- Bottisham Community Primary School, Cambridgeshire
- Fen Ditton Community Primary School, Cambridgeshire
- Howard Community Academy, Suffolk
- The Icknield Primary School, Cambridgeshire
- Linton Heights Junior School, Cambridgeshire
- Marleigh Primary Academy, Cambridge
- The Meadow Primary School, Cambridgeshire
- Stapleford Community Primary School, Cambridgeshire
- The Pines Primary School and Pine Cones Pre-School, Suffolk
- Wimbish Primary Academy, Essex



Anglian Learning is committed to working with Stour Valley Educational Trust Limited to create better facilities for learning, support for curriculum development, staff development opportunities and staff and student cross-trust opportunities. Anglian Learning will benefit from our staff and leadership expertise and build further links and opportunities in West Suffolk and North Essex.

You can find out more information about the trust on their website at <https://anglianlearning.org/>

We are engaging with parents, carers, staff, trade unions, governors, students and the wider community on the proposals to join Anglian Learning.

The engagement period will run from 17 April 2024 to 24 May 2024. Please register your thoughts, comments and questions using this email address:

[SVETengage@stourvalley.org](mailto:SVETengage@stourvalley.org)

The questions and the responses will be collated and shared with all stakeholders after the 24 May.

We will be arranging an information session for parents, carers and the community to explain what joining Anglian Learning will bring to Clare Community Primary School and Stour Valley Community School. The session will be an opportunity to ask questions about joining Anglian Learning and how this will affect the schools and your child(ren). Representatives from Anglian Learning, governors and members of the school leadership teams will be available to talk to you and you will also be able to register your comments, queries and any thoughts on opportunities or concerns. Details of the date and time of this meeting will follow. It will be after the end of the engagement period, so after the 24<sup>th</sup> May.

We look forward to speaking with you soon and to receiving your comments.

Yours faithfully



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