

Statutory Notice on the proposal for the closure of Eastbrook Secondary School Special Educational Needs Unit

Notice is given in accordance with section 15 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (as amended by the Education Act 2011) and the School Organisation (Establishment and Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2013 that Barking and Dagenham local authority intends to discontinue the Special Educational Needs 'SEN' Unit at Eastbrook Secondary School.

Name and address of Local authority publishing the proposal:

Barking and Dagenham Council, 1 Town Square, Barking IG11 7LU

Name and address of Special Educational Needs Unit to be closed:

Eastbrook Secondary School Special Educational Needs Unit for pupils with an Educational Health Care Plan for Social, Emotional and Mental Health Needs 'SEMH'.

Dagenham Road, Dagenham, RM10 7UR

Implementation

Date on which it is proposed to close the Special Educational Unit

31st December 2021

It is proposed to implement the closure as follows:

As part of the overall assessment of SEND provision, the ARP at Eastbrook Secondary School that has provision for up to 6 pupils with Social, Emotional and Mental Health Needs (SEMH), will be formally closing on 31st December 2021. This provision is going to be met through mainstream provision whereby additional resources have been put in place and at the new Pathways Special School. The Governing Body of the school has agreed in principle for the closure on the basis the pupils that were using the ARP would be placed in suitable alternative provision.

The local authority has undertaken preliminary work with the school on the necessary transition planning for the two children at the ARP and their families, should the Council decide for the School to close the SEN unit on the date proposed.

Procedure for making representations (objections and comments)

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this statutory notice, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by email or by post.

Closing date for responses is 5pm, Tuesday 2nd November 2021

By email: sendconsultation@lbbd.gov.uk

By post: Group Manager

School Investment, Organisation & Admissions

Barking and Dagenham Council

1 Town Square

Barking, IG11 7LU

We will not be able to consider any responses received after 5pm, 2nd November 2021

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposals. Copies of the complete proposals can be obtained by emailing SchoolEstatesConsultation@lbbd.gov.uk. The document can also be found on the Local Authority website <https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/specialist-alternative-provision>.