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**Closure of Peers School, Littlemore,  
Oxford**

Notice is given in accordance with section 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act (EIA) 2006 that Oxfordshire County Council Children, Young People & Families 3rd Floor, Clarendon House, 52 Cornmarket Street, Oxford, OX1 3EJ intends to discontinue Peers School, Sandy Lane West, Littlemore, Oxford, OX4 6JY on 31 August 2008.

All statutory consultation requirements have been complied with under Section 16 of EIA 2006 and having regard to the Secretary of State's guidance.

It is intended that an academy will open initially in the same buildings and on the same site on 1st September 2008. No alternative or interim arrangements are required for pupils as all pupils on the roll of the school when it closes will be guaranteed a place at the Academy. Admission may be sought at other local schools, subject to places being available. The Academy will provide 1450 places with an admission number of 210 with upto 400 places in the sixth form. The school will initially open in the existing buildings with new buildings being provided on the site by September 2010.

There are no transport implications in respect of the proposal and any requirement for transport will continue in accordance with the County Council's policy.


Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from Michael Mill, Oxfordshire County Council, 3rd Floor, Clarendon House, 52 Cornmarket Street, Oxford OX1 3EJ. Details of the consultation carried out in co-operation with the sponsors of the Academy can be found at [www.theoxfordacademy.co.uk](http://www.theoxfordacademy.co.uk)

Within six weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to Michael Mill, Oxfordshire County Council, 3rd Floor, Clarendon House, 52 Cornmarket Street, Oxford OX1 3EJ.

**Signed: Janet Tomlinson, Director for Children  
Young People & Families**  
**Dated: 28th September 2007.**

**Explanatory Notes**

A business case will be submitted to the Government with a more detailed proposal for Peers School to become an Academy. An Academy is an independent state school providing free education for children in the area it has historically served. The Academy's co-sponsors are the Oxford Church of England Diocese, Oxford Brookes University and the Beecroft Trust. In order for the Academy to open, initially in the same buildings as Peers School, it is necessary to go through the legal process of closing the school through the publication of this statutory notice. The Secretary of State gives final permission for the new academy.

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