

# **Area meeting for Headteachers and Governors**

## **The Future Shape of Education in Shropshire**

## Purpose of the Meeting

- To raise awareness of governors and Headteachers regarding the implications of the Government's White Paper ' Education Excellence Everywhere.'
- To confirm key messages and information to support Governors and Headteachers to respond.
- To provide opportunity to discuss the issues with other governors and Headteachers.
- To consider the next steps to secure and sustain good and better education for pupils in Shropshire.

# Context: National Funding Formula

- The DfE is currently consulting on proposals
- Expectation that the lump sum for schools will be increased
- The Age-Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU) may decrease
- Additional sparsity funding may be provided
- Funding will be provided directly to schools
  
- Overall Shropshire schools are likely to receive increased funding

# Context: White Paper: Education Excellence Everywhere

## Schools:

- All schools to become academies within Multi-Academy Trusts (MATs) by 2022
- Academy Orders to be in place by 2020

## LAs:

- Are expected to step away from school improvement by end of August 2017?
- Remain responsible for place planning and sufficiency
- Access and meeting needs of pupils with SEND
- School admissions and transport

## SoS announcement on 6<sup>th</sup> May

Good and outstanding schools will not be forced to become academies within MATs

### **But:**

- The government remains committed to a fully academised school system by 2022
- Compulsory conversion / sponsorship remains for:
  - Coasting schools and LA maintained schools with achievement below national averages
  - Schools in LAs where achievement is below national averages
  - Schools in LAs where the majority are academies and where the LA is no longer able to support LA maintained schools

# The Government's Expectations

The fully academised system will be systems-led and self-improving:

- Regional Schools Commissioners will be responsible for monitoring performance and directing intervention where academies are failing
- School improvement will be undertaken through the MATs, the network of teaching schools, National Leaders of Education and Local Leaders of Education

## Shropshire LA

Will provide leadership, guidance and support to schools by engaging with Headteachers and Governing Bodies to:

- Continue to encourage collaboration
- Encourage the development of existing Shropshire-based MATs
- Encourage the development of new Shropshire-based MATs
- Explore the development of LA initiated MATs
- Continue to trade services whilst demand exists

# The Role of Governors

- To be proactive in identifying the opportunities and risks presented by the White Paper
- To identify the best solution to secure and sustain good or better education for children and young people in your community



## Current provision in Shropshire

- 25 Academies across 153 state maintained education providers (schools, academies and Free Schools)
- 11% of schools have 50 or less pupils
- 25% of schools have between 51 and 100 pupils

There are:

- 10 primary academies
- 13 secondary academies
- 1 all-through (Special) academy
- 1 Free School
- 6 Shropshire-based MATs
- 118 LA maintained primary schools
- 7 LA maintained secondary schools
- 1 LA maintained all-through school
- 2 LA maintained special schools
- 9 federations across 20 LA maintained schools
- 4 Education Trusts

# Good and Better Schools and Academies

| Ofsted Inspection Outcomes by category of schools |                                |          |               |
|---|--------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Type of School                                    | % Good and Outstanding Schools |          |               |
|   | Shropshire                     | National | West Midlands |
| <b>All schools</b>                                | 85                             | 84       | 81            |
| <b>All Primary</b>                                | 86                             | 86       | 83            |
| <b>All Secondary</b>                              | 81                             | 75       | 70            |
| <b>All through</b>                                | 66                             | -        | -             |
| <b>Academies and Free Schools</b>                 | 64                             | 82       | -             |
| <b>LA Maintained</b>                              | 89                             | 86       | -             |

## Models to Consider

- A single (stand alone) academy (although MAT status)
- Establish a new MAT
- Join an existing MAT
- Join a local authority initiated MAT

**MATs with Primary Schools:**

Bishop Anthony Education Trust 

Shrewsbury Academies Trust 

Shropshire Gateway Education Trust 

South Shropshire Academy Trust 

**MATs with Secondary Schools:**


Bridgnorth Area Schools' Trust 

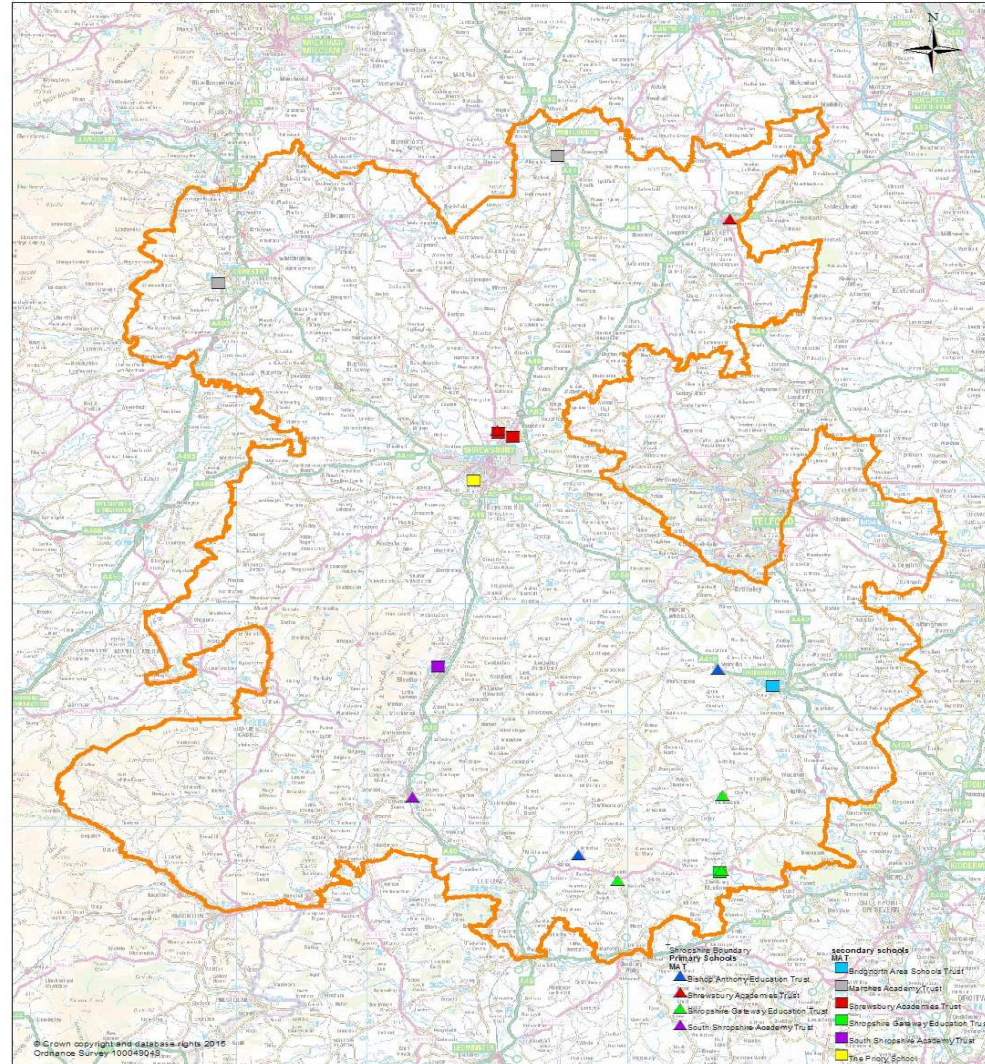
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Shrewsbury Academy Trust 

Shropshire Gateway Education Trust 

South Shropshire Academy Trust 

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## Questions to consider

- What would you like the future role of the LA to be?
- What support services would you like and how would you like them to be provided?
- What provision for professional development you like and how could this be co-ordinated with TSAs?
- Is there a place for a strategic Education Partnership across Shropshire ?
- What else would be helpful to support you?





## Next Steps

### For governors and Headteachers

- Consider all options available
- Identify opportunities and risks associated with each option
- Confirm timescale for decision making

### For the LA:

- Liaise with existing MATs to support them their planned expansion and to ensure governors and HTs of potential partner schools have information regarding their provision
- Draft a proposal (for LA initiated MATs that HTs and governors of LA maintained schools can consider
- Provide models and maps of potential provision for consideration
- Arrange next area meetings in September/October 2016



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## Links:

[Education excellence everywhere: the White Paper](#)

[SLG home page for governors](#)

[National Governors' Association](#)

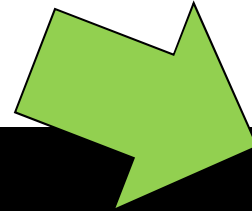
[Academies, MATs and free schools a very useful page on the NGA website](#)

[National College for Teaching and Leadership: Academies on-line resource](#)

## Documents

[Area Meeting Future Of Shrops Education \(pdf\)](#)

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