

# SOLIHULL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

## School Organisation Proposal Proposal to Expand Forest Oak and Merstone Special Schools

Notice is given in accordance with the School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013 that Solihull Council proposes to expand Forest Oak and Merstone Special Schools from 1 September 2023.

These are linked proposals that will create 30 additional places across the two schools. To accommodate the additional places this proposal will see Forest Oak School expand on to another site to create a hub. It is intended that the hub will be used by the older pupils at Forest Oak School. This will allow places on the main school sites to be reorganised to create additional places across both Forest Oak and Merstone Schools.

These expansions will meet some of the growing demand for special school places in Solihull.

This notice is an extract from the complete proposal document. Copies of the complete proposal can be found at Your Voice Solihull ([engagementhq.com](http://engagementhq.com)). If you require a paper copy of the proposal this can be obtained by emailing [researchandpolicy@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:researchandpolicy@solihull.gov.uk) or by telephone on 0121 704 6702.

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or comment on the proposal. Anyone who wishes to comment, or object can do so by emailing [researchandpolicy@solihull.gov.uk](mailto:researchandpolicy@solihull.gov.uk) or writing to the School Place Planning Team, Children's Services and Skills, Council House, Manor Square, Solihull, B91 3QB. Objections or comments must be received by **noon on Tuesday 16 May 2023**.