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Dear Resident/ Local Business/ Neighbouring School/Parent

Consultation - Integrated Resource Facilities across Brigantia Learning Trust

We are excited to share with you plans for the development of Integrated Resource facilities to be based at Brigantia Learning Trust Academies for pupils/students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities from January 2024 subject to successful application to the Department for Education. Sheffield Local Authority is working in partnership with Brigantia Learning Trust's proposals to develop Special Education Needs and Disability provision further in response to the ongoing and future shortage of specialised SEND provision across the City. This is in recognition of the excellent track record the Trust and its academies have in supporting students with complex additional needs to succeed. This provision will ensure that the city can meet the needs of more pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, providing them with inclusive mainstream learning environments. Currently, Brigantia Learning Trust have the support of Sheffield City Council to develop proposals for Integrated Resources for SEND pupils in Hinde House Academy and Longley Park Sixth Form Academy.

As a local resident, business owner or neighbouring school, we are keen to answer any questions that you may have on these proposals.

This is an initial communication to make our local community aware of our plans and to inform you that each academy will have a four week formal consultation window over the next 6 months to enable all stakeholders to share their views about the proposals for each academy. Any comments that you wish to make should be sent by email to: IRConsultation@brigantiatrust.net or in writing to:

Brigantia Learning Trust (IR Consultation), C/o Hinde House Academy, Shiregreen Lane, Sheffield, S5 6AG.

Please title all communication as **Consultation Regarding Integrated Resource Units**

Consultation responses will then be considered by the Board of Trustees with the Trust Executive and be part of our application to the Department for Education and we will update and confirm any further communications, as required.

Yours sincerely

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