

## Sir Graham Balfour Multi-Academy Trust

March 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I am writing to inform you of the proposal to build a new four classroom block at the school.

As you may be aware, we have for the last two years needed to exceed our admission number to help mitigate the impact of local housing developments within our catchment area. This has increasingly put pressure on our existing accommodation.

The additional classrooms proposed will enable the school to work with the local authority to provide additional capacity through bulge classes to meet demand from catchment area students.

The proposed project would include:

- A new build block, with four new classrooms, toilets and a small office
- Additional car parking spaces

The proposed changes will help the Sir Graham Balfour MAT Board and Local Governing Body fulfil its commitment to providing places for local children.

As part of these proposed changes there will be a 4-week consultation period within the Sir Graham Balfour School local community. This will provide the opportunity for you to read about the proposed changes, see the plans for the school's development, and attend a consultation meeting at the school on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March, 4pm –6pm. The consultation document is available to view on the school website which is <a href="https://www.sirgrahambalfour.co.uk">www.sirgrahambalfour.co.uk</a>

Please send the school your views by 4pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020

- Email your views to <a href="mailto:consult@sirgrahambalfour.staffs.sch.uk">consult@sirgrahambalfour.staffs.sch.uk</a>
- Write to Mrs L Beck, Sir Graham Balfour School, North Avenue, Stafford, ST16 1NR.
- Attend the public consultation meeting at Sir Graham Balfour School on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 4pm –
   6pm.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and the consultation paper, we look forward to hearing your views on this exciting proposal.

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Beck Headteacher Mr S Smith
Chair of MAT Board

<u>Mr M Winkle</u>

**Chair of Local Governing Body**