

Consultation on the Proposed Age Range Expansion of West Midlands UTC

West Midlands UTC was initially opened in September 2015. The UTC moved to its current location of Cambridge Street on the outskirts of Wolverhampton city centre in November 2016.

It caters for students aged 14 to 18 and has a Published Admissions Number (PAN) of 150 students for both Year 10 and Year 12, making a total of 600 students. The West Midlands UTC curriculum specialises in Construction and the Application of IT in the Built Environment, with students benefiting from very strong business links which underpin both the curriculum and extra-curricular activities.

Following discussions with representatives of the Department for Education, City of Wolverhampton Council and the University of Wolverhampton the Governors of West Midlands UTC wish to consult on a proposal to extend the age range of West Midlands UTC to admit 150 students into Year 7 for the first time from September 2020. We propose that a PAN of 150 runs through for years 7 to 11 with a sixth form totalling 300. This makes a total of 1050 students. The expanded school would require additional facilities to be developed on a plot of land adjacent to the current UTC site.

In addition West Midlands UTC also wishes to consult on its current admissions arrangements to facilitate this age range expansion. A copy of the proposed Admission Policy for 2020/21 is available at: www.westmidsutc.co.uk/press-release/ for your perusal.

As part of the process we are seeking your views regarding both the expansion of West Midlands UTC and changes to the admissions arrangements. These consultations will take place from 31st January 2019 to 14th March 2019. You are invited to provide comments or views to inform the consultation process in writing or by e-mail to principal@wmcutc.co.uk . Responses should be received before midnight on 14th March 2019.

Yours faithfully



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