Ashton Community Science College

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Lancashire County Council intends to make a prescribed alteration to Ashton Community Science College, Aldwych Drive, Preston, PR2 1SL from 31 August 2017.

It is proposed that the school will permanently lower its age range from 11-18 years to 11-16 years with effect from 31 August 2017, through the closure of the sixth form.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be inspected at Ashton Community Science College at the address above; at Preston City Council offices; at the County Hall address in the notes below; and local libraries. Copies can be obtained from Sarah Hirst in the Skills, Learning and Development Service, CCP Ground Floor, PO Box 100, County Hall, Preston, PR1 0LD. Copies can be accessed through http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/performance-inspections-reviews/children-education-and-families/school-organisation-reviews.aspx.

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by posting them to Sarah Hirst, Skills, Learning and Development Service, FREEPOST PR503, Preston, PR1 0LD. Responses can also be emailed to sarah.hirst@lancashire.gov.uk. To be considered as part of the decision making process to determine the proposal, responses must be received no later than 24th October 2016.

Signed: Ian Young, Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services.

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Explanatory Notes

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, information about representations to the published proposal may be accessed by members of the public.

The proposal arises because of concerns about financial viability of the sixth form; low student numbers; and minimum curriculum offer.

The Authority will need to decide whether to implement the proposal before 24th December 2016, otherwise it must be referred to the Adjudicator for a final decision.