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Dear Parent / Carer

### **Have your say on education opportunities for 14-19 year olds in Lowestoft**

As part of ongoing plans to develop education opportunities for young people in Lowestoft, we would like know your views about the following:

1. Whether the high schools and special schools in Lowestoft should create a formal legal partnership with a range of organisations to improve opportunities for 14 – 19 year olds in Lowestoft. This partnership is being proposed to address issues that no individual school or college can resolve on their own – for example, introducing the new curriculum for learners aged 14-19. This partnership would be called the Lowestoft Learning Trust.
2. The draft designs for the new Sixth Form College that the Trust partnership has proposed.
3. The name for the new Sixth Form College.

73% of responses during the School Organisation Review consultation supported the creation of a new 16-19 institution that would work in partnership with the schools and Lowestoft College – the Lowestoft Learning Trust and the new Sixth Form College would achieve that vision.

The new Sixth Form College would be built next to Lowestoft College and the Waterlane Leisure Centre. This would enable students to have access to the widest choice of courses and to the best range of facilities. We also plan to improve the facilities at Waterlane Leisure Centre and at Barnard's Meadow for the benefit of students at both College's and the wider community.

Consultation on the Trust proposal begins on 20 April and runs until 22 May 2009. Details of how to have your say are on the inside cover of the enclosed consultation document, including a series of exhibitions to see the draft designs of the Sixth Form College.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sally Simpkin".

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