

Committee: Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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Subject: Harris Federation briefing

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Recommendations:

A. To consider this report to provide context to Sir Dan Moynihan’s attendance at the panel

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. This report provides a background briefing on the Harris Federation in the context of Merton’s state-funded schools.

2 DETAILS

2.1. Merton currently has the following make-up of state funded schools:
44 Primary Schools (27 Community, 11 Voluntary Aided, and 6 Academies)
9 Secondary Schools (3 Community, 2 Voluntary Aided, and 4 Academies).
3 Special Schools and a Pupil Referral Unit (all Community)

2.2. A summary of the 6 primary and 4 secondary school Academies (including Free Schools) is as follows:

Primary Schools

School (Former name) Sponsor	Conversion date	Ofsted inspection since conversion
Harris Primary Academy (Former Garden) - Harris	September 2014	Outstanding (September 2017)
Benedict – Chapel Street	January 2014	Requires Improvement (November 2016)
Beecholme – PACE	September 2016	No inspection yet
Aragon – Willow Learning Trust	September 2017	No inspection yet
The Park - Chapel Street	“Free School” opened September 2014	Good (July 2017)
Stanford PACE	October 2018	No inspection yet

Secondary Schools

School (Former name) Sponsor	Conversion date	Ofsted inspections since conversion
<i>Harris Academy Merton (Former Tamworth Manor) - Harris</i>	September 2016	Outstanding (October 2012) Outstanding (October 2008)
St. Marks Church of England Academy (Former Mitcham Value) - CfBT	September 2016	Good (December 2017) Good (October 2012) Satisfactory (September 2010) Inadequate (June 2009)
<i>Harris Academy Morden (Former Bishopsford) - Harris</i>	March 2013	Outstanding (September 2018) Good (December 2014)
<i>Harris Academy Wimbledon - Harris</i>	"Free School" opened September 2018	No inspection yet

The Harris Federation

- 2.3. The Harris Federation operates one primary school and three secondary schools in Merton, including the new Harris Academy Wimbledon ("Free School").
- 2.4. Performance data for Harris academies compared with national and all Merton schools:
- 2.5. Attainment:

Primary School

	Harris Primary Academy Merton	Harris Federation	National	All Merton schools
KS2 progress score in reading	4.2 (well above average)	1.3 (above average)	0	1.5 (above average)
KS2 progress score in writing	4.8 (well above average)	1.9 (above average)	0	0.9 (above average)
KS2 progress score in maths	5.1 (well above average)	2.1 (above average)	0	2 (above average)
Expected standard in reading/writing/maths	86%	Not available	64%	69%

Secondary Schools

	Harris Merton	Harris Morden	Harris Federation	National	All Merton schools
Progress 8	0.48 (above average)	0.63 (well above average)	0.54 (well above average)	0	0.44 (above average)
Attainment 8	47.8	48.2	Not available	44.3	49.6
Grade 5+ Eng/ maths	42%	40%	30.5%	39.9%	46.4%
Entering EBacc	34%	50%	58.9%	35.1%	49.3%
EBacc APS	4.16	4.49	Not available	3.83	4.43
Staying in education or entering employment	93%	86%	Not available	94%	94%

2.6. Absence:

Primary School

	Harris Primary Academy Merton	National	All Merton schools
Absence	3.9%	4%	3.9%
Persistent Absence	10.2%	8.3%	7.5%

Secondary Schools

	Harris Merton	Harris Morden	National	All Merton schools
Absence	4.5%	4.5%	5.4%	4.6%
Persistent Absence	11.9%	7.4%	13.5%	10.5%

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