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To whom it may concern,

Our Lady of Walsingham Multi-Academy Trust is proposing to open an Enhanced Resource Base (ERB) within St. Laurence Primary School. The proposal relates to the establishment of an ERB for children with the primary need of Social Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH).

This proposal forms part of Cambridgeshire County Council's (CCC) county-wide SEND strategy to provide more specialist places in mainstream and special schools. The SEND Strategy aims to ensure that children and young people can access the 'Right Support, in the Right Place, at the Right Time', through a graduated approach to school places. This means that additional places for SEND will be provided in a variety of ways, including within mainstream schools, in units attached to mainstream schools (ERBs) and in special schools.

To make changes to our school, we must carry out a consultation with parents of children on roll at the school as well as other stakeholders in the wider community. The consultation starts on 6th December 2023 and will run for a period of 4 weeks until 5th January 2024.

All representations made will be considered by the Trust and the school's Governing Body before making the decision to approve the proposal or not. The final decision will be shared with all stakeholders. If you have any queries or comments, please send them via email to office@stlaurence.cambs.sch.uk with the subject 'ERB'.

Please see the attached document for a fuller understanding of the proposal.

Sincerely

Mrs J McGhee Wallace

