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26th September 2014

Dear Mr. Armstrong,

Pensby High Schools Federation
Pensby High School for Girls and Pensby High School for Boys

As Chair of Governors I am writing on behalf of the Federation Governing Body to inform you that at a Meeting of the Full Governing Body on Thursday 25th September 2014 it was resolved that:-

Pensby High Schools Federation Governing Body wishes to proceed to technically and formally amalgamate/merge Pensby High School for Boys and Pensby High School for Girls under the Girls' school URN by closing Pensby High School for Boys, changing the gender intake for Pensby High School for Girls and changing its name and request the Local Authority to take appropriate steps to complete the process for September 2015.

The reasons for the decision are:-

1. The impact the decrease in pupil numbers in each school is having on providing the broadest curriculum offer, the best teaching and learning and therefore outcomes for students;
2. Numbers across both schools have fallen and will not increase to the pupil admission number of 150 for each school in the foreseeable future if at all;
3. The current numbers in each school mean the schools on their present separate but adjacent sites are financially unsustainable.

.Will you please advise on appropriate steps to be taken as regards the consultation process with stakeholders and notifying the DfE as the Governing Body wishes to implement the changes and complete the process without delay.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Draper
Chair of Governors
Pensby High Schools Federation