



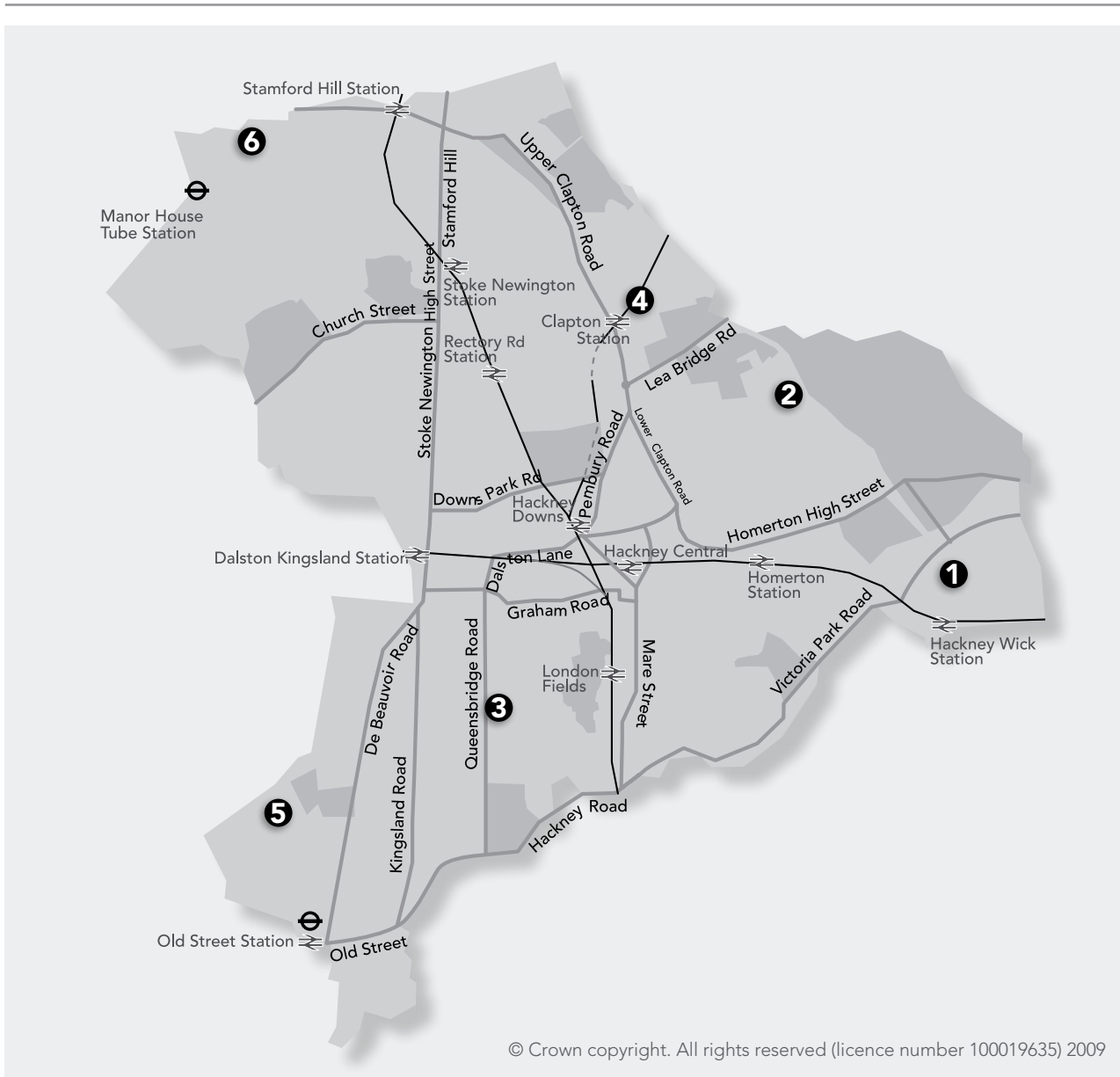
# CONSULTATION ON THE EXPANSIONS OF

GAINSBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL  
MANDEVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
QUEENSBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
SOUTHWOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
THOMAS FAIRCHILD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL  
WOODBERRY DOWN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Monday 18 October -  
Friday 26 November 2010**



## Location of the schools



### ① GAINSBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### ② MANDEVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### ③ QUEENSBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Queensbridge Road, E8 3ND  
T. 020 7254 1186 / F. 020 7249 4666

### ④ SOUTHWOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Detmold Road, E5 9NL  
T. 020 8806 5201 / F. 020 8806 9287

### ⑤ THOMAS FAIRCHILD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Napier Grove, N1 7HX  
T. 020 7253 9469 / F. 020 7729 8510

### ⑥ WOODBERRY DOWN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Woodberry Grove, N4 1SY  
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## What is this Information About?

The Learning Trust wants to know your views on a proposal to make changes to six Hackney primary schools. This means that some of the schools will have their premises enlarged, while others will have a re-organisation of the current layout so that additional children can be admitted. The proposed schools are listed below:

Gainsborough Primary School

Mandeville Primary School

Queensbridge Primary School

Southwold Primary School

Thomas Fairchild Community Primary School

Woodberry Down Community Primary School

This is your opportunity to let us know what you think about the proposal. This paper contains:

1. an explanation of the proposal
2. a response form for you to complete and return to us, letting us know your views
3. details of meetings for parents/carers and the wider community that will be arranged to help the consultation.

Please send your comments or completed questionnaire to:

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Or e-mail your comments or queries to: [samantha.george@learningtrust.co.uk](mailto:samantha.george@learningtrust.co.uk)

**This stage of the consultation will close on 26 November 2010.**

If you have specific questions about the proposal please contact **Samantha George** on **020 8820 7004**, or email: [samantha.george@learningtrust.co.uk](mailto:samantha.george@learningtrust.co.uk)

This document and response form are also available online by visiting our website: [www.learningtrust.co.uk](http://www.learningtrust.co.uk)

We will make information about the contents of this consultation available in other languages on request.



## Hackney and The Learning Trust

Hackney is a vibrant inner-city borough, adjacent to the City, with a diverse and mobile population. It is a place of opportunities as well as challenges where many children experience multiple disadvantages. This makes it all the more important that Hackney children are able to enjoy their education in strong and successful schools.

The Learning Trust is responsible for carrying out the education services in Hackney. One of these is to keep under review the demand for and quality of places in Hackney schools.

## Issues for Consideration

The Learning Trust has a statutory duty to ensure there are sufficient school places in the borough. In order to do this, we use data to help us predict the number of children that will be living in the borough in the future and also to assess whether we will need more or fewer school places.

Since 2007 there has been a steady increase in the number of Reception class places needed. This has been due to more children being born and needing places in Hackney, in addition to an increase in the number of new homes being built in Hackney. In 2010 the number of Reception applications received was very high which meant that a number of schools admitted more pupils than they had expected in September 2010.

Data shows us that in 2011 we will continue to receive high numbers of applications for Reception places and we are making plans to have some schools admit additional children for September 2011. For the future, we have decided to consult on a proposal to permanently expand six primary schools in areas where there is a high demand for school places and where the school buildings are suitable for expansion. This will happen from 2012. The proposal is to expand the following schools:

- Gainsborough Primary School
- Mandeville Primary School
- Queensbridge Primary School
- Southwold Primary School
- Thomas Fairchild Community Primary School
- Woodberry Down Community Primary School

We want to make sure our primary schools are set up to meet the needs of Hackney's children both now and into the future. We believe that the proposals will help us do this. We would, however, like your views and comments to inform these proposals before any final decision is taken.



## The Schools

### Gainsborough Primary School

Gainsborough Primary School is a mixed, non-denominational community school in the east of Hackney. The school is 2 Forms of Entry (FE) per year, and has places for 420 pupils. The school serves the Hackney Wick area which is undergoing regeneration as part of preparation for the 2012 Olympic Games. Gainsborough School is the closest school in London to the Olympic site. Pupils come from a wide range of minority ethnic backgrounds. Although over half speak an additional language to English, very few are in the early stages of speaking English. The proportion of pupils who are eligible for free school meals is significantly above average. Likewise the percentage of pupils with special educational needs/and or disabilities is also above average, although the proportion of pupils who have statements of special educational need is below average. Pupil mobility has been high, with an above average proportion leaving and joining the school partway through the year. The school has won several awards; these include Healthy Schools and Arts Mark. Gainsborough has become increasingly popular over the last few years. In September 2010, the school admitted 30 pupils more than they originally planned for.

January 2010 school roll data indicates that there are 346 pupils on roll in the following year groups.

School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Gainsborough	60	59	59	48	37	35	48

### Mandeville Primary School

Mandeville Primary School is a mixed, non-denominational community school in the east of Hackney in the Kings Park ward. The school is close to Homerton Hospital and Hackney Marshes. Mandeville is a 1.5FE school and has places for 315 pupils. The school forms part of a successful federation with Woodberry Down and London Fields primary schools and is rapidly improving and beginning to exhibit outstanding features in particular areas. Most pupils are from minority ethnic backgrounds, with pupils of Black African heritages as the largest group. The majority of pupils have a mother tongue other than English, with a wide range of other languages spoken by the pupils. Free school meal eligibility is very high. The proportion of pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities has risen sharply in recent years to more than double the national average. In September 2010, Mandeville admitted 15 pupils more than they originally planned for.

January 2010 school roll data indicates that there are 244 pupils on roll in the following year groups.

School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Mandeville	43	42	45	26	30	27	31



## Queensbridge Primary School

Queensbridge Primary School is a mixed, non-denominational community school in the south west of Hackney. The school shares a building with The Tomlinson Centre (a continuing professional development venue for teachers and support staff in schools). The school is a 1FE school and has places for 210 pupils. Queensbridge school currently manages Mapledene Children's Centre. Almost 90% of Queensbridge pupils come from a variety of minority ethnic backgrounds, the largest being Black Caribbean. Over half of pupils speak an additional language to English. The percentage of pupils eligible for free school meals is very high and the proportion of pupils with learning difficulties or disabilities is well above average. Many of these have moderate learning difficulties. Many pupils join and leave the school outside normal term times. The school has received awards for promoting inclusion and physical education. In September 2010, Queensbridge school admitted 30 pupils more than they originally planned for. Currently, pupils from Thomas Fairchild Community School have been temporarily placed in Queensbridge School's building, following a fire at the school in 2009. Thomas Fairchild pupils are expected to be back at their newly re-built school by 2012.

January 2010 school roll data indicates that there are 198 pupils on roll in the following year groups.

School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Queensbridge	30	30	29	28	30	26	25

## Southwold Primary School

Southwold Primary School is a mixed, non-denominational community school in the north east of Hackney. The school is a 1.5FE school and has places for 345 pupils, however, the school has been admitting 2FE (60 pupils) each year, for the last two years. Southwold is part of the Clapton Community of Schools and works closely with Clapton Girls' Technology College. The school is set within an area of high deprivation. The majority of pupils are from minority ethnic groups, although no single group dominates. Over three quarters of pupils have home languages other than English. Approximately 10% of pupils are from a refugee, asylum seeker or traveller background. The school is making steady progress in all areas, and has been recently inspected and graded 'good' overall.

January 2010 school roll data indicates that there are 336 pupils on roll in the following year groups.

School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Southwold	58	60	45	43	43	45	42

## Thomas Fairchild Community Primary School

Thomas Fairchild Primary School is a mixed, non-denominational community school in the southwest of Hackney. The school is currently a 1.5FE school and has places for 315 pupils per year. Thomas Fairchild serves a diverse community. The proportion of pupils entitled to free school meals is well above the national average. Most pupils are from minority ethnic backgrounds. The proportion of pupils who find learning difficult, including those with a statement of special educational need, is well above the national average. Nearly two thirds of pupils speak English as an additional language. In the summer of 2009 a significant part of the school building was destroyed following a fire. The pupils are currently educated on two separate sites; Queensbridge Primary School and Whitmore Primary School. The rebuild programme for Thomas Fairchild is due to be completed in September 2012. Architects for the new building have been appointed and are currently developing proposals with the school and wider community.

January 2010 school roll data indicates that there are 264 pupils on roll in the following year groups.

School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Thomas Fairchild	45	33	46	33	32	31	44

## Woodberry Down Community Primary School

Woodberry Down Primary School is a mixed, non-denominational community school in the north east of Hackney. The school is 2FE and has places for 420 pupils. The school serves the Finsbury Park area; a culturally diverse area with extreme social deprivation. Well over half of the pupils at the school use or have English as an additional language. A significant proportion of pupils are refugees or asylum seekers and pupil mobility is very high. Nearly one third of the pupils have special educational needs. Woodberry Down's last Ofsted inspection was rated as Outstanding, receiving overall grades of "1", the highest possible grade in all areas.

Woodberry Down is a popular and successful school but has recently suffered a temporary reduction in roll as a result of the regeneration. However the number of children in the area is predicted to increase as homes in the area are re-built. The reception class for 2010/11 is expected to be full.

January 2010 school roll data indicates that there are 317 pupils on roll in the following year groups.

School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Woodberry Down	41	50	49	40	42	44	51



## Proposal for Consultation

The Learning Trust is proposing changes to the following schools from 2012:

- Gainsborough to increase by 30 places
- Mandeville to increase by 15 places
- Queensbridge to increase by 30 places
- Southwold to increase by 15 places
- Thomas Fairchild to increase by 45 places, but to operate with 60 places until there is demand for an increase to 90 places.
- Woodberry Down to increase by 30 places

### Other proposed changes to Millfields Community Primary School & Daubeney Primary School

As part of the annual consultation on admission numbers carried out with Hackney schools, we will be proposing that Millfields and Daubeney Primary schools increase their admission numbers from 2012. This will mean that 90 pupils are admitted to the Reception classes for each school. The current admission number for both schools is 75. These proposals do not form part of this formal consultation, but if you have any views on it, you are welcome to let us know and we will keep them for the annual consultation on admission numbers. Interested parties of these schools will be consulted separately at a later date.

## When and How Would the Proposals be Implemented?

The proposed increase in admission numbers for Gainsborough Primary School, Mandeville Primary School, Queensbridge Primary School, Southwold Primary School and Woodberry Down Community Primary School will start in September 2012. This means that each school will admit extra pupils into their reception classes in 2012. All these schools have already temporarily increased their admission numbers this year (September 2010). We believe that these schools will need to temporarily increase their admission numbers next year too.

Thomas Fairchild Community Primary School is expected to have an admission number equivalent to 2FE in 2012 and in future years, until there is sufficient demand for 3FE.

We would like staff, governors, parents/carers and pupils at the school to be involved in the proposals and consultation.

## Next Steps and Proposed Timetable for the Proposal

The consultation will run from 18 October 2010 to 26 November 2010 and will include meetings with key stakeholders (Parents, staff & governors and the local community). We will provide information in other languages on request only.

### Consultation Meetings

Venue	Audience	Date	Time
Gainsborough Primary School	Parents' morning	3 November 2010	9am - 10am
	Parents' evening	3 November 2010	5pm - 6pm
Mandeville Primary School	Parents' morning	11 November 2010	9am - 10am
	Parents' evening	11 November 2010	5pm - 6pm
Queensbridge Primary School	Parents' morning	18 October 2010	9am - 10am
	Parents' evening	18 October 2010	5pm - 6pm
Southwold Primary School	Parents' morning	22 November 2010	9am - 10am
	Parents' evening	22 November 2010	5pm - 6pm
Thomas Fairchild Community Primary School	Parents' morning	4 November 2010 (Whitmore school site)	9am - 10am
	Parents' evening	4 November 2010 (Whitmore school site)	5pm - 6pm
Woodberry Down Community Primary School	Parents' morning	15 November 2010	9am - 10am
	Parents' evening	15 November 2010	5pm - 6pm
Wider community meeting	Wider community	8 November 2010	5.30pm - 7pm

The meetings set out above will be arranged as a 'drop-in' where people can arrive at any time within the hours advertised and speak individually to Learning Trust staff. You can attend any meeting at any school. Separate discussions will be arranged for pupils at the school, the Governing Body, staff at the school and Trade Unions.

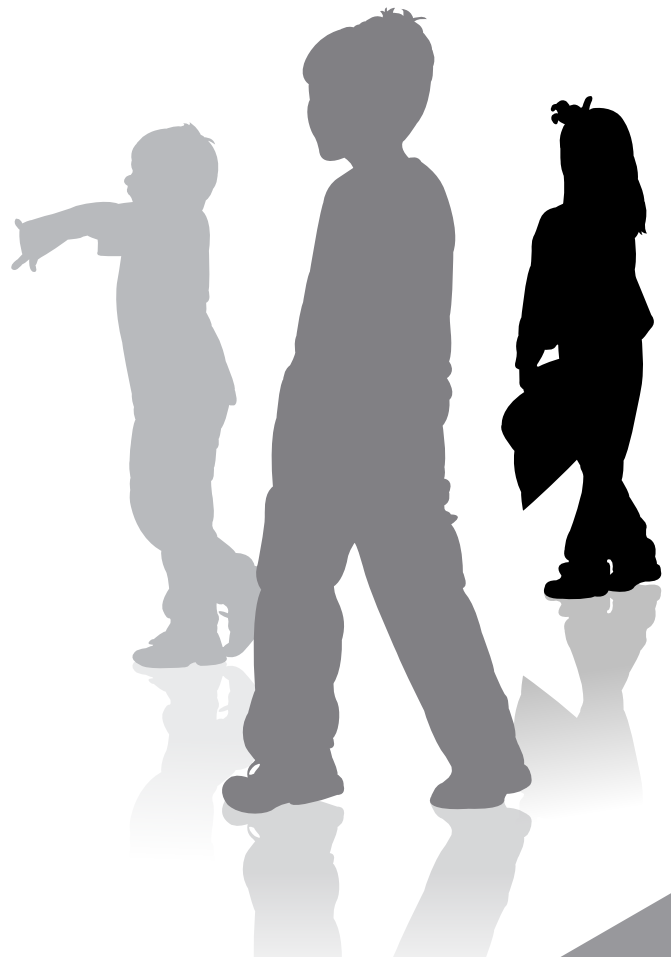


## Who will be consulted?

We aim to consult with as many people and interested groups as possible. The list below provides a summary of the main groups.

- Pupils on roll at the schools concerned
- Parents on roll at the schools concerned
- Staff at the schools concerned
- Governors at the schools concerned including the Federation of Woodberry Down, Mandeville and London Fields schools
- Headteachers and Chairs of Governors of all Hackney Schools and other schools within a 2 mile radius
- Trade Unions
- Hackney Councillors
- Hackney Council
- Hackney MPs
- Local community groups and business partners
- London Diocesan Board for Schools
- Westminster Diocese Education Service
- Woodberry Down Regeneration Team
- Other faith groups
- Interlink network for the Jewish Community
- Local Sure Start Partnerships
- Primary Care Trust

The Learning Trust welcomes views from all stakeholders on the proposal set out in this paper. All views expressed during this consultation will be reported to and considered by the Board of The Learning Trust. This will be on 9 December 2010.



## Decision Making Process

Date	Action
18 October – 26 November 2010	Consultation period including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circulation of consultation paper to stakeholders</li> <li>• Meetings with key stakeholders</li> </ul>
9 December 2010	The Board of the Learning Trust considers the responses to the consultation.
<i>If the Board agree to publish Statutory notices then</i>	
10 January 2011	Publication of statutory notices
10 January to 4 February 2011	Statutory four week period for comments and objections to the proposals
24 March 2011	The Board of the Learning Trust meets to consider the proposals
Within 4 weeks of the date of the decision	The following bodies have the right of objection to the Schools Adjudicator if they disagree with the Board's decision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The local Church of England Diocese</li> <li>• The bishop of the local Roman Catholic Diocese;</li> <li>• The Governing Bodies of the schools concerned.</li> </ul>



# Monitoring information

## Why do we collect this information?

We have a legal duty to promote equality. To help us we need to collect information on those who are using or would like to use our services. With up to date and accurate information we will be able to identify any possible discrimination or barriers to using our services (or obtaining information about our services) for different groups of people.

We will use the information you provide to identify ways we might achieve fewer barriers, greater equality, fairness and respect for all our service users, staff and members of the community.

## Data protection

We comply with the principles of the Data Protection Act 1998.

The information you provide is confidential and will not be used in ways that could identify any particular person by a third party. Please circle/tick your answers.

### 1. Are you

- Male       Female

### 2. What is your ethnic group?

Our ethnic background describes how we think of ourselves. This may be based on many things such as language, ancestry, a shared history or religion. Ethnic background is not necessarily the same as nationality or country of birth. It is not possible to list all the ethnic groups but those listed below reflect the largest ethnic groups in Hackney.

#### White

- British
- Irish
- Traveller of Irish heritage
- Gypsy Roma
- Turkish/Turkish Cypriot
- Kurdish
- Greek/Greek Cypriot
- White Eastern European
- White Western European
- Albanian
- Any other White background, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Black or Black British

- Caribbean
- African – Angolan
- African – Somali
- African – Congolese
- African – Nigerian
- African – Ghanaian
- African – Sierra Leonean
- African – Sudanese
- Any other African or Black background, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_



## Monitoring information (cont.)

### Asian or Asian British

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Any other Asian background,  
please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

### Chinese and Other

- Chinese
- Vietnamese
- Afghan
- Kurdish
- Latin/South/Central American

### Mixed

- White and Black Caribbean
- White and Black African
- White and Asian
- Any other Mixed background, please specify:

### Other Ethnic Group

- Any other background, please specify:
  
- Do not wish to disclose

### 3. Do you consider yourself to have a disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 2005?

The definition of a disability according to the Disability Discrimination Act 2005 is: "A physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long term adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day to day activities." This can include cancer and other long term illnesses.

- Yes
- No
- Do not wish to disclose

### 4. Religion or belief

- Buddhist
- Church of England
- Jain
- Muslim
- Sikh
- Other  
please specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- Catholic
- Hindu
- Jewish
- Orthodox Jewish/Charedi
- No religion

- Do not wish to disclose





## Consultation response form

### Proposal to make changes to:

- Gainsborough Primary School
- Mandeville Primary School
- Queensbridge Primary School
- Southwold Primary School
- Thomas Fairchild Community Primary School
- Woodberry Down Community Primary School

### Please return to **Samantha George** by **26th November 2010** at:

The Learning Trust, Hackney Technology and Learning Centre  
1 Reading Lane,  
London, E8 1GQ  
Email: [samantha.george@learningtrust.co.uk](mailto:samantha.george@learningtrust.co.uk)

Name of person responding: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick boxes as appropriate:

- Interest in **Gainsborough Primary School**
- Interest in **Mandeville Primary School**
- Interest in **Queensbridge Primary School**
- Interest in **Southwold Primary School**
- Interest in **Thomas Fairchild Community Primary School**
- Interest in **Woodberry Down Community Primary School**
  
- Interest in **Millfields Community Primary School**
- Interest in **Daubeney Primary school**
  
- Pupil at the school
- Member of staff at the school
- Parent of a child at the school
- Governor at the school

Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Please comment on the proposal below using additional paper if required – we welcome your views:

- Agree  Disagree
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_





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