# DEED OF NOVATION AND VARIATION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR DOWNHAM MARKET ACADEMY

**Dated:** 25 August 2020

Hewitsons LLP Elgin House Billing Road Northampton NN1 5AB

Ref: VAH/SDC/90818.29.4

The Parties to this Deed are:

- (1) **THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION** of Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT (the "Secretary of State");
- (2) **MORRIS EDUCATION TRUST**, a charitable company incorporated in England and Wales with registered company number 07899393 whose registered address is at Impington Village College New Road, Impington, Cambridge, CB24 9LX ("**MET**"); and
- (3) **CAMBRIDGESHIRE EDUCATIONAL TRUST**, a charitable company incorporated in England and Wales with registered company number 07665396 whose registered address is at Chesterton Community College, Gilbert Road, Cambridge, CB4 3NY (the "**Company**"),

together referred to as the "Parties".

#### INTRODUCTION

- A. Downham Market Academy is an academy within the meaning of the Academies Act 2010 (the "Academy") and was operated by Eastern Multi-Academy Trust until 1 November 2017, on which date the operation of the Academy was transferred to the Company (a multi academy trust).
- B. The Secretary of State and Eastern Multi-Academy Trust entered into a Supplemental Funding Agreement on 1 July 2013 for the maintenance and funding of the Academy. The Company and the Secretary of State, together with Eastern Multi-Academy Trust, entered into a Deed of Novation and Variation dated 25 October 2017 which novated and varied the original Supplemental Funding Agreement (the "Agreement") (attached as Schedule 1).
- C. It is proposed that, with effect from 00.01 am on 1 September 2020 ("Transfer Date"), MET will assume responsibility for the management and operation of the academy in succession to the Company.
- D. The Parties wish to novate the Agreement to MET and the Secretary of State and MET wish to vary the terms of the Agreement subject to the provisions of this Deed.

#### **LEGAL AGREEMENT**

1. Any word or phrase used in this Deed shall, if that word or phrase is defined in the Agreement, bear the meaning given to it in the Agreement.

#### NOVATION

- 2. The Company transfers all its rights and obligations under the Agreement to MET with effect from the Transfer Date. With effect from the Transfer Date, MET shall enjoy all the rights and benefits of the Company under the Agreement and all references to the Company in the Agreement shall be read and construed as references to MET.
- 3. The references in the Agreement to the Master Funding Agreement between the Company and the Secretary of State shall be read as a reference to the Master Funding Agreement between the MET and the Secretary of State.
- 4. With effect from the Transfer Date, MET agrees to perform the Agreement and be bound by its terms in every way as if it were the original party to it in place of the Company.
- 5. With effect from the Transfer Date, the Secretary of State agrees to perform the Agreement and be bound by its terms in every way as if MET were the original party to it in place of the Company.

#### **OBLIGATIONS AND LIABILITIES**

- 6. With effect from the Transfer Date, the Company and the Secretary of State release each other from all future obligations to the other under the Agreement.
- 7. Each of the Company and the Secretary of State release and discharge the other from all claims and demands under or in connection with the Agreement arising after the Transfer Date.
- 8. Each of MET and the Secretary of State will have the right to enforce the Agreement and pursue any claims and demands under the Agreement against the other with respect to matters arising before, on or after the date of this Deed as though MET were the original party to the Agreement instead of the Company.

#### INDEMNITY

- 9. Not used.
- 10. Not used.

#### VARIATION

- 11. The Secretary of State and MET agree that with effect from the Transfer Date the Agreement shall be amended and restated so as to take effect in the form set out in Schedule 2 to this Deed.
- 12. As varied by this Deed, the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 13. This Deed shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with English law.
- 14. The Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of, or in connection with, this deed or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

#### COUNTERPARTS

15. This Deed may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the parties to it on separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS whereof this Deed has been executed by the parties hereto and is intended to be and is hereby delivered on the last date listed below.

EXECUTED as a deed by affixing the corporate seal ) of THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION ) authenticated by:-

Duly authorised by the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION

Date 25/8/2020

EXECUTED as a deed by **MET** acting by two directors:

Director

Print name. KE17H THoMsoN

Date. 29/7/20.

EXECUTED as a deed by **the**Company acting by one

director in the presence of a

witness:

Print name Jim WARWICK.

Date 29/7/20

Print name JENNA BICKLEY

Address

Occupation BUSINESS SUPPORT MANAGER

## Schedule 1 Supplemental Funding Agreement

# DEED OF NOVATION AND VARIATION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR DOWNHAM MARKET ACADEMY

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- (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION of Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT (the "Secretary of State");
- (2) CAMBRIDGESHIRE EDUCATIONAL TRUST (previously known as Chesterton Community College), a charitable company incorporated in England and Wales with registered company number 07665396 whose registered address is at Chesterton Community College, Gilbert Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB4 3NY ("CET"); and
- (3) **EASTERN MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST** (previously known as CWA Academy Trust), a charitable company incorporated in England and Wales with registered company number 07338780 whose registered address is at Trust Offices, Queen Mary Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk, England, PE30 4QG (the "**EMAT**"),

together referred to as the "Parties".

#### INTRODUCTION

- A. Downham Market Academy is an academy within the meaning of the Academies Act 2010 (the "Academy") and is currently operated by EMAT (a multi-academy trust).
- B. The Secretary of State and EMAT entered into a supplemental funding agreement on 01 July 2013 (the "Supplemental Funding Agreement") for the maintenance and funding of the Academy (attached as Schedule 1).
- C. It is proposed that, with effect from 00.01 am on 1 November 2017 (the "Transfer Date"), the Academy will cease to be operated by EMAT and CET shall assume responsibility for the management and operation of the Academy in succession to EMAT.
- D. The Parties wish to novate the Supplemental Funding Agreement to CET and the Secretary of State and CET wish to vary the terms of the Supplemental Funding Agreement in accordance with the provisions of this Deed.

#### **LEGAL AGREEMENT**

Unless defined otherwise in this Deed, any word or phrase used in this Deed shall, if that
word or phrase is defined in the Supplemental Funding Agreement, bear the meaning given to
it in the Supplemental Funding Agreement.

#### NOVATION

- 2. EMAT transfers all its rights and obligations under the Supplemental Funding Agreement to CET with effect from the Transfer Date. With effect from the Transfer Date, CET shall enjoy all the rights and benefits of EMAT under the Supplemental Funding Agreement and all references to EMAT in the Supplemental Funding Agreement shall be read and construed as references to CET.
- 3. With effect from the Transfer Date, the references in the Supplemental Funding Agreement to the "Master Agreement" (being the single funding agreement between EMAT and the Secretary of State entered into on 31 August 2010 as subsequently amended and restated by a deed of variation dated 1 July 2013 to form a master funding agreement) shall be read as a reference to the master funding agreement between CET and the Secretary of State entered into on 1 July 2011 as subsequently amended by a deed of variation dated 12 April 2013 and as further amended and restated by a deed of variation dated 3 July 2017.
- 4. With effect from the Transfer Date, CET agrees to perform the Supplemental Funding Agreement and be bound by its terms in every way as if it were the original party to it in place of EMAT.
- 5. With effect from the Transfer Date, the Secretary of State agrees to perform the Supplemental Funding Agreement and be bound by its terms in every way as if CET were the original party to it in place of EMAT.

#### **OBLIGATIONS AND LIABILITIES**

- With effect from the Transfer Date, EMAT and the Secretary of State release each other from all future obligations to the other under the Supplemental Funding Agreement.
- Each of EMAT and the Secretary of State release and discharge the other from all claims and demands under or in connection with the Supplemental Funding Agreement arising after the Transfer Date.
- 8. Each of CET and the Secretary of State will have the right to enforce the Supplemental Funding Agreement and pursue any claims and demands under the Supplemental Funding Agreement against the other with respect to matters arising before, on or after the date of this Deed as though CET was the original party to the Supplemental Funding Agreement instead of EMAT.

#### INDEMNITY

- 9. EMAT agrees to indemnify CET against any losses, liabilities, claims, damages or costs that CET suffers or incurs under or in connection with the Supplemental Funding Agreement as a result of the Company's failure to perform or satisfy its obligations under the Supplemental Funding Agreement on or before the Transfer Date.
- 10. CET agrees to indemnify EMAT against any losses, liabilities, claims, damages or costs EMAT suffers or incurs under or in connection with the Supplemental Funding Agreement as a result of CET's failure to perform or satisfy its obligations under the Supplemental Funding Agreement on or after the Transfer Date.

#### VARIATION

- 11. The Secretary of State and CET agree that with effect from the Transfer Date the Supplemental Funding Agreement shall be amended and restated so as to take effect in the form of the supplemental funding agreement set out in Schedule 2 to this Deed.
- 12. As varied by this Deed, the Supplemental Funding Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

#### **GOVERNING LAW**

13. This Deed shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the law of England and Wales.

#### **JURISDICTION**

14. The Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of, or in connection with, this Deed or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

#### **COUNTERPARTS**

15. This Deed may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the Parties to it on separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS whereof this Deed has been executed by the Parties hereto and is intended to be and is				
hereby delivered on the last date liste	ed below.			
EXECUTED as a deed by affixing the of THE SECRETARY OF STATE FO authenticated by:-  Duly authorised by the SECRETARY Date.	DR EDUCATION )			
EXECUTED as a deed by  CAMBRIDGESHIRE  EDUCATIONAL TRUST acting by one director in the presence of a witness:	Director  Print name. DAVID JAMES WARWICK  Date			
	Witness  Print name MARTIN RUSCAL  Address  Occupation Direct of Finance + Resources			
EXECUTED as a deed by  EASTERN MULTI-ACADEMY  TRUST acting by one director in the presence of a witness:	Director  Print name. D. R.A. M. S.E. Y.  Date  Witness  Print name. Sayah. D. Dorne.  Address  Occupation. P.A. to Chief Child. Officer			

### Schedule 1 Supplemental Funding Agreement

#### SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

#### BETWEEN

- (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION; and
- (2) <u>CWA ACADEMY TRUST</u> (company number 7338780) of The College of West Anglia, Tennyson Avenue, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE30 2QW.

IS SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE SINGLE FUNDING AGREEMENT made between the same parties and dated 31 August 2010 as subsequently amended by the deed of variation dated O1- O7- 2013 (the "Master Agreement").

#### 1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

- 1.1. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement words and expressions defined in the Master Agreement shall have the same meanings in this Agreement as were ascribed to them in the Master Agreement.
- 1.2. The following words and expressions shall have the following meanings:

"the Academy" means Downham Market Academy to be established at Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL;

"Chief Inspector" means Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills or his successor;

"Insured Risks" means fire, lightning, explosion, earthquake, storm, tempest, flood, subsidence, landslip, heave impact, terrorism, bursting or overflowing of water tanks and pipes, damage by aircraft and other aerial devices, or articles dropped there from, riot and civil commotion, labour disturbance, and malicious damage and such other risks as the Company insures against from time to time subject in all cases to any exclusions or limitations as may from time to time be imposed by the insurers or underwriters;

"the Land" means the publicly funded land (including for the avoidance of doubt all buildings, structures landscaping and other erections) situated at and known as Downham Market Academy, Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL.

 Reference in this Agreement to clauses and Annexes shall, unless otherwise stated, be to clauses and annexes of this Agreement.

#### 2. THE ACADEMY

- 2.1. The Company will establish and maintain, and carry on or provide for the carrying on of the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement and this Agreement.
- 2.2. The curriculum provided by the Academy to pupils up to the age of 16 shall be broad and balanced.
- 2.3. The requirements for the admission of pupils to the Academy are set out at Annex 1.

#### ACADEMY OPENING DATE

- 2.4. The Academy shall open as a school on 1 July 2013 replacing Downham Market High School Technology College, Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL, which shall cease to be maintained by the Local Authority on that date, which date shall be the conversion date within the meaning of the Academies Act 2010.
- 2.5. The planned capacity of the Academy is 1567 pupils in the age range 11 to 18, including a sixth form of 350 places.

#### 3. CAPITAL GRANT

3.1. Pursuant to clause 38 of the Master Funding Agreement, the Secretary of State may, in his absolute discretion provide Capital Expenditure funding in accordance with any arrangements he considers appropriate.

#### 4. GAG AND EAG

- 4.1. The Secretary of State agrees to pay GAG and EAG to the Company in relation to the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement.
- 4A. Not used.

#### 5. <u>TERMINATION</u>

5.1. Either party may give not less than seven Academy Financial Years' written notice to terminate this Agreement, such notice to expire on 31 August 2020 or any subsequent anniversary of that date.

#### **Termination Warning Notice**

- 5.2. The Secretary of State shall be entitled to issue to the Company a written notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement ("Termination Warning Notice") where he considers that:
  - the Academy is no longer meeting the requirements referred to in clause
     of the Master Agreement (subject to clause 5.9 of this Agreement);
  - (b) the conditions and requirements set out in clauses 13-34B of the Master Agreement are no longer being met;
  - (c) the standards of performance of pupils at the Academy are unacceptably low:
  - (d) there has been a serious breakdown in the way the Academy is managed or governed;
  - (e) the safety of pupils or staff is threatened (whether by breakdown of discipline or otherwise); or
  - (f) the Company is otherwise in material breach of the provisions of this Agreement or the Master Agreement.
- 5.3. A Termination Warning Notice issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with clause 5.2 shall specify:
  - (a) reasons for the Secretary of State's issue of the Termination Warning Notice;
  - (b) the remedial measures which the Secretary of State requires the Company to carry out, with associated deadlines, in order to rectify the defaults identified ("Specified Remedial Measures"); and
  - (c) the date by which the Company must respond to the Termination Warning Notice providing its representations with regard thereto or confirm that it accepts and agrees to undertake the Specified Remedial Measures.
- 5.4. The Secretary of State shall consider any response and representations from the Company which are received by the date specified in accordance with clause 5.3(c) and shall confirm whether he considers that:

- (a) in the light of the Company's representations in response to the Termination Warning Notice, some or all of the Specified Remedial Measures are not required to be implemented (and if so which) and/or the Specified Remedial Measures are being or will be implemented within the specified timeframe; or
- (b) subject to any further measures he reasonably requires ("Further Remedial Measures") being implemented by a specified date or any evidence he requires being provided, the implementation of such measures has been or will be successfully completed within the specified timeframes; or
- (c) he is not satisfied that the Company will rectify the defaults identified in the Termination Warning Notice within the specified timeframes. (In such circumstances, the Secretary of State may notify the Company of his intention to terminate the Agreement on a specified date.)
- 5.5. The Secretary of State may by notice in writing terminate this Agreement with effect from a specified date in the event that:
  - (a) the Company has not, by the date specified in clause 5.3(c), responded to the Termination Warning Notice either confirming that it accepts and agrees to undertake the Specified Remedial Measures or providing its representations with regard to the Specified Remedial Measures; or
  - (b) the Company has not carried out the Specified Remedial Measures and/or Further Remedial Measures within the specified timeframes;

provided that having considered any representations made by the Academy Trust pursuant to clause 5.3(c), the Secretary of State remains satisfied that it is appropriate to terminate the Agreement.

#### Notice of Intention to Terminate

- 5.6. The Secretary of State may at any time give written notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement where the Chief Inspector gives notice to the Company in accordance with section 13(3) of the Education Act 2005 stating that in the Chief Inspector's opinion
  - (a) special measures are required to be taken in relation to the Academy; or
  - (b) the Academy requires significant improvement.

- 5.7. Any notice issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with clause 5.6 shall invite the Company to respond with any representations within a specified timeframe.
- 5.8. Where the Secretary of State has given notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement in accordance with clauses 5.6 and 5.7 and –
  - (a) he has not received any representations from the Company within the timeframe specified in clause 5.7; or
  - (b) having considered the representations made by the Company pursuant to clause 5.7, the Secretary of State remains satisfied that it is appropriate to terminate this Agreement

he may by notice in writing terminate this Agreement with effect from a specified date.

#### **Termination with Immediate Effect**

5.9. If the Secretary of State has cause to serve a notice on the Company under section 165 of the Education Act 2002 and a determination (from which all rights of appeal have been exhausted) has been made that the Academy shall be struck off the Register of Independent Schools, he may terminate this Agreement by notice in writing to the Company such termination to take effect on the date of the notice.

#### Notice of Intention to Terminate by Company

5.10. The Secretary of State shall, at a date preceding the start of each Academy Financial Year, provide to the Company an indication of the level of funding to be provided by the Secretary of State to the Company by way of GAG and EAG in the next following Academy Financial Year (the "Indicative Funding"). If the Company is of the opinion that, after receipt of the Indicative Funding for the next following Academy Financial Year (the "Critical Year") and of the taking into account all other resources available and likely to be available to the Academy, including such funds as are set out in clause 73 of the Master Agreement and such other funds as are and likely to be available to the Academy from other academies operated by the Company ("All Other Resources"), it is likely that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding, to become insolvent (and for this reason only) then the Company may give notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement at the end of the then current Academy Financial Year.

- 5.11. Any notice given by the Company under clause 5.10 shall be in writing and shall be served on the Secretary of State not later than 28 February preceding the Critical Year or, if the Secretary of State shall not have given notice of the Indicative Funding to the Company on or before the date specified in clause 5.10 above, within six weeks after the Secretary of State shall have done so. The notice must specify:
  - 5.11.1 the grounds upon which the Company's opinion is based and include the evidence of those grounds and any professional accounting advice the Company has received and including a detailed statement of steps which the Company proposes to take with a view to ensuring that as soon as reasonably practicable the costs of running the Academy are reduced sufficiently to ensure that such costs are less than the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources and the period of time within which such steps will be taken; and
  - 5.11.2 the shortfall in the Critical Year between the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources expected to be available to the Company to run the Academy and the projected expenditure on the Academy; and
  - 5.11.3. a detailed budget of income and expenditure for the Academy during the Critical Year (the "Projected Budget").
- 5.12. Both parties undertake to use their best endeavours to agree whether or not the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding and Ali Other Resources, to become insolvent. Both parties recognise that they will need to engage in a constructive dialogue at the time about how best to provide education for the pupils at the Academy and undertake to use their best endeavours to agree a practical solution to the problem.
- 5.13. If no agreement is reached by 30 April (or such other date as may be agreed between the parties) as to whether the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year on the basis of the Indicative Funding and Ail Other Resources would cause the Company to become insolvent, then that question shall be referred to an independent expert (the "Expert") for resolution. The Expert's determination shall be final and binding on both parties. The Expert shall be requested to specify in his determination the amount of the shortfall in funding (the "Shortfall"). The Expert shall be an insolvency practitioner with significant professional experience of educational institutions or academies. If the parties fail to agree upon the

appointment of the Expert then the Expert shall be appointed by the President for the time being of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The Expert's fees shall be borne equally between the parties.

- 5.14. The Expert shall be required in reaching his determination to take account of advice from an educational specialist who is professionally familiar with the issues arising from the budget management of schools. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the educational specialist then the educational specialist shall be appointed by the Chairman for the time being of the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust. The educational specialist's fees shall be borne equally between the parties.
- 5.15. If the Expert determines that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources, to become insolvent, and the Secretary of State shall not have agreed to provide sufficient additional funding to cover the Shortfall, then the Company shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement, by notice expiring on 31 August prior to the Critical Year. Any such notice shall be given within 21 days after (a) the Expert's determination shall have been given to the parties or (b), if later, the Secretary of State shall have given written notice of his refusal to provide sufficient additional funding for the Academy to cover the Shortfall.

#### 6. EFFECT OF TERMINATION

- 6.1. In the event of termination of this Agreement however occurring, the school shall cease to be an Academy within the meaning of Sections 1 and 1A of the Academies Act 2010.
- 6.2. Subject to clauses 6.3 and 6.4, if the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement pursuant to clause 5.1 of this Agreement, the Secretary of State shall indemnify the Company. If the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement otherwise than pursuant to clause 5.1 of this Agreement, the Secretary of State may in his absolute discretion indemnify or (to such extent if any as he may in his absolute discretion consider appropriate) compensate the Company.
- 6.3. The amount of any such indemnity or compensation shall be determined by the Secretary of State having regard to any representations made to him by the Company, and shall be paid at such times and in such manner as the Secretary of State may reasonably think fit.
- 6.4. The categories of expenditure incurred by the Company in consequence of the termination of the Agreement in respect of which the Secretary of State shall

(where the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement pursuant to clause 5.1) indemnify the Company and may (where the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement otherwise than pursuant to clause 5.1) in his absolute discretion indemnify or compensate the Company include (but not by way of limitation), staff compensation and redundancy payments, compensation payments in respect of broken contracts, expenses of disposing of assets or adapting them for other purposes, legal and other professional fees, and dissolution expenses.

- 6.5. Subject to clause 6.6, on the termination of this Agreement however occurring, the Company shall in respect of any of its capital assets at the date of termination:
  - (a) promptly transfer a proportion of the assets to a person nominated by the Secretary of State, if the Secretary of State considers that all or some of those assets need to be used for any educational purposes by that nominee. The proportion of the assets to be transferred shall be the same as the proportion of the capital contribution made by the Secretary of State to the original value of those assets, whether that contribution was made on the establishment of the Academy or at a later date; or
  - (b) if the Secretary of State confirms that a transfer under clause 6.5(a) is not required, promptly repay to the Secretary of State a sum equivalent to the percentage of the value of the assets at the date of termination, or, by agreement with the Secretary of State, at the date of subsequent disposal of those assets. Such percentage to be the same as the percentage of the capital contribution made by the Secretary of State to the original value of those assets, whether that contribution was made on the establishment of the Academy or later.
- 6.6. The Secretary of State may waive in whole or in part the repayment due under clause 6.5(b) if:
  - (a) the Company obtains his permission to invest the proceeds of sale for its charitable objects; or
  - (b) the Secretary of State directs all or part of the repayment to be paid to the LA.
- 6.7. The sale or disposal by other means of publicly funded land held for the purposes of an Academy is now governed by Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the Academies Act 2010.

#### Restrictions on Land transfer

- 6A Recognising that they are or will be receiving publicly funded land at nil consideration (which for the purposes of this transaction shall include leases granted at a peppercorn rent) the Company:
  - a) shall, within 28 days from the transfer to it of the Land, apply to the Land Registry for a restriction in the proprietorship register (under section 43(1)(a) of the Land Registration Act 2002 in Form RX1 as prescribed by Rule 91 and Schedule 4 of the Land Registration Rules 2003) in the following terms:

No disposition of the registered estate by the proprietor of the registered estate is to be registered without a written consent signed by the Secretary of State for Education, of Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT

- b) shall take any further steps required to ensure that the restriction referred to in clause 6A(a) is entered on the proprietorship register,
- c) shall provide the Secretary of State with confirmation of the entry of the restriction referred to in clause 6A(a) as soon as practicable after it receives notification from the Land Registry,
- d) in the event that it has not registered the restriction referred to in clause 6A(a), hereby consents to the entering of the restriction referred to in 6A(a) in the register by the Secretary of State (under s. 43(1)(b) of the Land Registration Act 2002),
- e) shall not, without the consent of the Secretary of State, apply to dis-apply, modify or remove (by cancellation or otherwise) a restriction entered in accordance with clause 6A(a) or 6A(d) above, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Company.

#### Repair and Upkeep

6B) The Company shall keep the Land clean and tidy and make good any damage it causes to the Land and / or any deterioration to the condition of the Land that may arise from the date of this Agreement.

#### Insurance

#### 6C) The Company shall:-

- a) keep the Land insured with a reputable insurance office against loss or damage by the Insured Risks in the sum the Company is advised represents the reinstatement value of the Land from time to time;
- b) pay the premiums for insurance promptly as they become due and maintain in force the policies of insurance on the Land;
- c) following the incidence of damage to or destruction of the Land and subject to receipt of all necessary consents licences permissions and the like apply the proceeds of the policy of the insurance received for those purposes in rebuilding and reinstating the Land (provided that this clause should be satisfied if the Company provides premises not necessarily identical to the Land as the same existing prior to such damage or destruction occurring) as soon as may be reasonably practicable;
- d) produce to the Secretary of State a copy of the insurance policy whenever reasonably requested and the receipt for the last or other evidence of renewal and up to date details of the amount of cover (but no more often than once in any period of 12 months in both cases);
- e) not knowingly do anything whereby any policy of insurance relating to the Land may become void or voidable;
- f) insure against liability in respect of property owners' and third party risks including occupiers liability.

#### Transfer of Land on Termination of Agreement

6D) In recognition by the Company that they are or will be taking a transfer of publiclyfunded land for nil consideration (which for the purposes of this transaction shall
include leases granted at a peppercorn rent), the Company hereby grants and the
Secretary of State hereby accepts an option, exercisable by the Secretary of State
or his nominee, to transfer the said land pursuant to Schedule 1 to the Academies
Act 2010. The option hereby granted shall be exercisable (by notice in writing by or
on behalf of the Secretary of State) on the termination of this Funding Agreement
for whatever cause. On the exercise of this option, the Law Society's Standard
Conditions of Sale for Commercial Property in force at the date of such exercise

shall apply to the transaction and completion shall take place 28 days after such exercise.

- 6E) In further recognition by the Company that they are or will be taking a transfer of publicly-funded land for nil consideration, (which for the purposes of this transaction shall include leases granted at a peppercorn rent), to protect the option granted under clause 6D, the Company:
  - a) shall, within 14 days from the transfer to it of the Land, apply to the Land Registry in Form AN1 as prescribed by Rule 81 of the Land Registration Rules 2003 for a notice to be entered in the register (under section 34(3)(a) of the Land Registration Act 2002) to protect the option granted under clause 6D and including a copy of this Agreement as evidence of that option,
  - b) shall take any further steps required to ensure that the notice referred to in clause 6E(a) is entered on the proprietorship register,
  - c) shall provide the Secretary of State with confirmation of the entry of the notice referred to in clause 6E(a) as soon as practicable after it receives notification from the Land Registry,
  - d) in the event that it has not registered the notice referred to in clause 6E(a), hereby consents to the entering of the notice referred to in 6E(a) in the register by the Secretary of State (by application in Form UN1 under s. 34(3)(b) of the Land Registration Act 2002),
  - e) shall not, without the consent of the Secretary of State, apply to dis-apply, modify or remove (by cancellation or otherwise) a notice entered in accordance with clause 6E(a) or 6E(d) above, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Company,
  - f) in the case of previously unregistered land, for the further protection of the option granted in Clause 6D the Company shall within 14 days of the signing of this Agreement make application to register a Class C (iv) land charge in the Land Charges Registry and a Caution against First Registration in the Land Registry and shall provide the Secretary of State with copies of the entries secured thereby within 7 days of completing each registration, respectively. If the Secretary of State is of the view that the Company has failed to perform the registration obligations in this sub-clause he shall be at liberty to make his own applications to secure these registrations.

#### 7. ANNEX

7.1. The Annex to this Agreement forms part of and is incorporated into this Agreement.

#### 8. THE MASTER AGREEMENT

8.1. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement the Master Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

#### 9. **GENERAL**

- This Agreement shall not be assignable by the Company.
- 9.2. No delay, neglect or forbearance on the part of the Secretary of State in enforcing (in whole or in part) any provision of this Agreement or in exercising (in whole or in part) any right or remedy conferred on him by this Agreement shall be or be deemed to be a waiver of such provision or right or remedy or a waiver of any other provision or right or remedy or shall in any way prejudice any right or remedy of the Secretary of State under this Agreement or shall amount to an election not to enforce such provision or exercise such right or remedy (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any right to terminate this Agreement). No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall preclude or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.
- 9.3. Termination of this agreement, for any reason, shall not affect the accrued rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of the parties existing at termination.
- 9.4. This deed may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall constitute a duplicate original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute the one agreement.
- 9.5. This Agreement and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.
- 9.6. The parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with this agreement or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

#### Executed on behalf of CWA Academy Trust by:

Director	/	
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In the presence of:

ANNETTE BACKER.

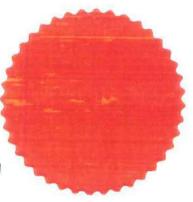
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The Corporate Seal of the Secretary of State for Education, hereunto affixed is authenticated by:







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## Schedule 2 Amended and Restated Downham Market Academy Supplemental Funding Agreement



#### SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

#### BETWEEN

- (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION; and
- (2) <u>CWA ACADEMY TRUST</u> (company number 7338780) of The College of West Anglia, Tennyson Avenue, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE30 2QW.

IS SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE SINGLE FUNDING AGREEMENT made between the same parties and dated 31 August 2010 as subsequently amended by the deed of variation dated O1- 07 2013 (the "Master Agreement").

#### 1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

- 1.1. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement words and expressions defined in the Master Agreement shall have the same meanings in this Agreement as were ascribed to them in the Master Agreement.
- 1.2. The following words and expressions shall have the following meanings:

"the Academy" means Downham Market Academy to be established at Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL;

"Chief Inspector" means Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills or his successor:

"Insured Risks" means fire, lightning, explosion, earthquake, storm, tempest, flood, subsidence, landslip, heave impact, terrorism, bursting or overflowing of water tanks and pipes, damage by aircraft and other aerial devices, or articles dropped there from, riot and civil commotion, labour disturbance, and malicious damage and such other risks as the Company insures against from time to time subject in all cases to any exclusions or limitations as may from time to time be imposed by the insurers or underwriters;

"the Land" means the publicly funded land (including for the avoidance of doubt all buildings, structures landscaping and other erections) situated at and known as Downham Market Academy, Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL.

 Reference in this Agreement to clauses and Annexes shall, unless otherwise stated, be to clauses and annexes of this Agreement.

#### 2. THE ACADEMY

- 2.1. The Company will establish and maintain, and carry on or provide for the carrying on of the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement and this Agreement.
- 2.2. The curriculum provided by the Academy to pupils up to the age of 16 shall be broad and balanced.
- 2.3. The requirements for the admission of pupils to the Academy are set out at Annex 1.

#### ACADEMY OPENING DATE

- 2.4. The Academy shall open as a school on 1 July 2013 replacing Downham Market High School - Technology College, Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL, which shall cease to be maintained by the Local Authority on that date, which date shall be the conversion date within the meaning of the Academies Act 2010.
- 2.5. The planned capacity of the Academy is 1567 pupils in the age range 11 to 18, including a sixth form of 350 places.

#### 3. CAPITAL GRANT

3.1. Pursuant to clause 38 of the Master Funding Agreement, the Secretary of State may, in his absolute discretion provide Capital Expenditure funding in accordance with any arrangements he considers appropriate.

#### 4. GAG AND EAG

- 4.1. The Secretary of State agrees to pay GAG and EAG to the Company in relation to the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement.
- 4A. Not used.

#### 5. TERMINATION

5.1. Either party may give not less than seven Academy Financial Years' written notice to terminate this Agreement, such notice to expire on 31 August 2020 or any subsequent anniversary of that date.

#### **Termination Warning Notice**

- 5.2. The Secretary of State shall be entitled to issue to the Company a written notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement ("Termination Warning Notice") where he considers that:
  - the Academy is no longer meeting the requirements referred to in clause
     of the Master Agreement (subject to clause 5.9 of this Agreement);
  - the conditions and requirements set out in clauses 13-34B of the Master Agreement are no longer being met;
  - (c) the standards of performance of pupils at the Academy are unacceptably low;
  - (d) there has been a serious breakdown in the way the Academy is managed or governed;
  - (e) the safety of pupils or staff is threatened (whether by breakdown of discipline or otherwise); or
  - (f) the Company is otherwise in material breach of the provisions of this Agreement or the Master Agreement.
- 5.3. A Termination Warning Notice issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with clause 5.2 shall specify:
  - (a) reasons for the Secretary of State's issue of the Termination Warning Notice;
  - (b) the remedial measures which the Secretary of State requires the Company to carry out, with associated deadlines, in order to rectify the defaults identified ("Specified Remedial Measures"); and
  - (c) the date by which the Company must respond to the Termination Warning Notice providing its representations with regard thereto or confirm that it accepts and agrees to undertake the Specified Remedial Measures.
- 5.4. The Secretary of State shall consider any response and representations from the Company which are received by the date specified in accordance with clause 5.3(c) and shall confirm whether he considers that:

- (a) in the light of the Company's representations in response to the Termination Warning Notice, some or all of the Specified Remedial Measures are not required to be implemented (and if so which) and/or the Specified Remedial Measures are being or will be implemented within the specified timeframe; or
- (b) subject to any further measures he reasonably requires ("Further Remedial Measures") being implemented by a specified date or any evidence he requires being provided, the implementation of such measures has been or will be successfully completed within the specified timeframes; or
- (c) he is not satisfied that the Company will rectify the defaults identified in the Termination Warning Notice within the specified timeframes. (In such circumstances, the Secretary of State may notify the Company of his intention to terminate the Agreement on a specified date.)
- 5.5. The Secretary of State may by notice in writing terminate this Agreement with effect from a specified date in the event that:
  - (a) the Company has not, by the date specified in clause 5.3(c), responded to the Termination Warning Notice either confirming that it accepts and agrees to undertake the Specified Remedial Measures or providing its representations with regard to the Specified Remedial Measures; or
  - (b) the Company has not carried out the Specified Remedial Measures and/or Further Remedial Measures within the specified timeframes;

provided that having considered any representations made by the Academy Trust pursuant to clause 5.3(c), the Secretary of State remains satisfied that it is appropriate to terminate the Agreement.

#### Notice of Intention to Terminate

- 5.6. The Secretary of State may at any time give written notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement where the Chief Inspector gives notice to the Company in accordance with section 13(3) of the Education Act 2005 stating that in the Chief Inspector's opinion —
  - special measures are required to be taken in relation to the Academy; or
  - (b) the Academy requires significant improvement.

- 5.7. Any notice issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with clause 5.6 shall invite the Company to respond with any representations within a specified timeframe.
- 5.8. Where the Secretary of State has given notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement in accordance with clauses 5.6 and 5.7 and –
  - (a) he has not received any representations from the Company within the timeframe specified in clause 5.7; or
  - (b) having considered the representations made by the Company pursuant to clause 5.7, the Secretary of State remains satisfied that it is appropriate to terminate this Agreement

he may by notice in writing terminate this Agreement with effect from a specified date.

#### Termination with Immediate Effect

5.9. If the Secretary of State has cause to serve a notice on the Company under section 165 of the Education Act 2002 and a determination (from which all rights of appeal have been exhausted) has been made that the Academy shall be struck off the Register of Independent Schools, he may terminate this Agreement by notice in writing to the Company such termination to take effect on the date of the notice.

#### Notice of Intention to Terminate by Company

5.10. The Secretary of State shall, at a date preceding the start of each Academy Financial Year, provide to the Company an indication of the level of funding to be provided by the Secretary of State to the Company by way of GAG and EAG in the next following Academy Financial Year (the "Indicative Funding"). If the Company is of the opinion that, after receipt of the Indicative Funding for the next following Academy Financial Year (the "Critical Year") and of the taking into account all other resources available and likely to be available to the Academy, including such funds as are set out in clause 73 of the Master Agreement and such other funds as are and likely to be available to the Academy from other academies operated by the Company ("All Other Resources"), it is likely that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding, to become insolvent (and for this reason only) then the Company may give notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement at the end of the then current Academy Financial Year.

- 5.11. Any notice given by the Company under clause 5.10 shall be in writing and shall be served on the Secretary of State not later than 28 February preceding the Critical Year or, if the Secretary of State shall not have given notice of the Indicative Funding to the Company on or before the date specified in clause 5.10 above, within six weeks after the Secretary of State shall have done so. The notice must specify:
  - 5.11.1 the grounds upon which the Company's opinion is based and include the evidence of those grounds and any professional accounting advice the Company has received and including a detailed statement of steps which the Company proposes to take with a view to ensuring that as soon as reasonably practicable the costs of running the Academy are reduced sufficiently to ensure that such costs are less than the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources and the period of time within which such steps will be taken; and
  - 5.11.2 the shortfall in the Critical Year between the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources expected to be available to the Company to run the Academy and the projected expenditure on the Academy; and
  - 5.11.3. a detailed budget of income and expenditure for the Academy during the Critical Year (the "Projected Budget").
- 5.12. Both parties undertake to use their best endeavours to agree whether or not the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources, to become insolvent. Both parties recognise that they will need to engage in a constructive dialogue at the time about how best to provide education for the pupils at the Academy and undertake to use their best endeavours to agree a practical solution to the problem.
- 5.13. If no agreement is reached by 30 April (or such other date as may be agreed between the parties) as to whether the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year on the basis of the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources would cause the Company to become insolvent, then that question shall be referred to an independent expert (the "Expert") for resolution. The Expert's determination shall be final and binding on both parties. The Expert shall be requested to specify in his determination the amount of the shortfall in funding (the "Shortfall"). The Expert shall be an insolvency practitioner with significant professional experience of educational institutions or academies. If the parties fail to agree upon the

appointment of the Expert then the Expert shall be appointed by the President for the time being of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The Expert's fees shall be borne equally between the parties.

- 5.14. The Expert shall be required in reaching his determination to take account of advice from an educational specialist who is professionally familiar with the issues arising from the budget management of schools. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the educational specialist then the educational specialist shall be appointed by the Chairman for the time being of the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust. The educational specialist's fees shall be borne equally between the parties.
- 5.15. If the Expert determines that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources, to become insolvent, and the Secretary of State shall not have agreed to provide sufficient additional funding to cover the Shortfall, then the Company shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement, by notice expiring on 31 August prior to the Critical Year. Any such notice shall be given within 21 days after (a) the Expert's determination shall have been given to the parties or (b), if later, the Secretary of State shall have given written notice of his refusal to provide sufficient additional funding for the Academy to cover the Shortfall.

#### 6. EFFECT OF TERMINATION

- 6.1. In the event of termination of this Agreement however occurring, the school shall cease to be an Academy within the meaning of Sections 1 and 1A of the Academies Act 2010.
- 6.2. Subject to clauses 6.3 and 6.4, if the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement pursuant to clause 5.1 of this Agreement, the Secretary of State shall indemnify the Company. If the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement otherwise than pursuant to clause 5.1 of this Agreement, the Secretary of State may in his absolute discretion indemnify or (to such extent if any as he may in his absolute discretion consider appropriate) compensate the Company.
- 6.3. The amount of any such indemnity or compensation shall be determined by the Secretary of State having regard to any representations made to him by the Company, and shall be paid at such times and in such manner as the Secretary of State may reasonably think fit.
- 6.4. The categories of expenditure incurred by the Company in consequence of the termination of the Agreement in respect of which the Secretary of State shall

(where the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement pursuant to clause 5.1) indemnify the Company and may (where the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement otherwise than pursuant to clause 5.1) in his absolute discretion indemnify or compensate the Company include (but not by way of limitation), staff compensation and redundancy payments, compensation payments in respect of broken contracts, expenses of disposing of assets or adapting them for other purposes, legal and other professional fees, and dissolution expenses.

- 6.5. Subject to clause 6.6, on the termination of this Agreement however occurring, the Company shall in respect of any of its capital assets at the date of termination:
  - (a) promptly transfer a proportion of the assets to a person nominated by the Secretary of State, if the Secretary of State considers that all or some of those assets need to be used for any educational purposes by that nominee. The proportion of the assets to be transferred shall be the same as the proportion of the capital contribution made by the Secretary of State to the original value of those assets, whether that contribution was made on the establishment of the Academy or at a later date; or
  - (b) if the Secretary of State confirms that a transfer under clause 6.5(a) is not required, promptly repay to the Secretary of State a sum equivalent to the percentage of the value of the assets at the date of termination, or, by agreement with the Secretary of State, at the date of subsequent disposal of those assets. Such percentage to be the same as the percentage of the capital contribution made by the Secretary of State to the original value of those assets, whether that contribution was made on the establishment of the Academy or later.
- 6.6. The Secretary of State may waive in whole or in part the repayment due under clause 6.5(b) if:
  - (a) the Company obtains his permission to invest the proceeds of sale for its charitable objects; or
  - (b) the Secretary of State directs all or part of the repayment to be paid to the LA.
- 6.7. The sale or disposal by other means of publicly funded land held for the purposes of an Academy is now governed by Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the Academies Act 2010.

#### Restrictions on Land transfer

- 6A Recognising that they are or will be receiving publicly funded land at nil consideration (which for the purposes of this transaction shall include leases granted at a peppercorn rent) the Company:
  - a) shall, within 28 days from the transfer to it of the Land, apply to the Land Registry for a restriction in the proprietorship register (under section 43(1)(a) of the Land Registration Act 2002 in Form RX1 as prescribed by Rule 91 and Schedule 4 of the Land Registration Rules 2003) in the following terms:

No disposition of the registered estate by the proprietor of the registered estate is to be registered without a written consent signed by the Secretary of State for Education, of Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT

- b) shall take any further steps required to ensure that the restriction referred to in clause 6A(a) is entered on the proprietorship register,
- c) shall provide the Secretary of State with confirmation of the entry of the restriction referred to in clause 6A(a) as soon as practicable after it receives notification from the Land Registry,
- d) in the event that it has not registered the restriction referred to in clause 6A(a), hereby consents to the entering of the restriction referred to in 6A(a) in the register by the Secretary of State (under s. 43(1)(b) of the Land Registration Act 2002).
- e) shall not, without the consent of the Secretary of State, apply to dis-apply, modify or remove (by cancellation or otherwise) a restriction entered in accordance with clause 6A(a) or 6A(d) above, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Company.

#### Repair and Upkeep

6B) The Company shall keep the Land clean and tidy and make good any damage it causes to the Land and / or any deterioration to the condition of the Land that may arise from the date of this Agreement.

#### Insurance

## 6C) The Company shall:-

- a) keep the Land insured with a reputable insurance office against loss or damage by the Insured Risks in the sum the Company is advised represents the reinstatement value of the Land from time to time;
- b) pay the premiums for insurance promptly as they become due and maintain in force the policies of insurance on the Land;
- c) following the incidence of damage to or destruction of the Land and subject to receipt of all necessary consents licences permissions and the like apply the proceeds of the policy of the insurance received for those purposes in rebuilding and reinstating the Land (provided that this clause should be satisfied if the Company provides premises not necessarily identical to the Land as the same existing prior to such damage or destruction occurring) as soon as may be reasonably practicable;
- d) produce to the Secretary of State a copy of the insurance policy whenever reasonably requested and the receipt for the last or other evidence of renewal and up to date details of the amount of cover (but no more often than once in any period of 12 months in both cases);
- e) not knowingly do anything whereby any policy of insurance relating to the Land may become void or voidable;
- f) insure against liability in respect of property owners' and third party risks including occupiers liability.

#### Transfer of Land on Termination of Agreement

In recognition by the Company that they are or will be taking a transfer of publiclyfunded land for nil consideration (which for the purposes of this transaction shall
include leases granted at a peppercorn rent), the Company hereby grants and the
Secretary of State hereby accepts an option, exercisable by the Secretary of State
or his nominee, to transfer the said land pursuant to Schedule 1 to the Academies
Act 2010. The option hereby granted shall be exercisable (by notice in writing by or
on behalf of the Secretary of State) on the termination of this Funding Agreement
for whatever cause. On the exercise of this option, the Law Society's Standard
Conditions of Sale for Commercial Property in force at the date of such exercise

shall apply to the transaction and completion shall take place 28 days after such exercise.

- 6E) In further recognition by the Company that they are or will be taking a transfer of publicly-funded land for nil consideration, (which for the purposes of this transaction shall include leases granted at a peppercorn rent), to protect the option granted under clause 6D, the Company:
  - a) shall, within 14 days from the transfer to it of the Land, apply to the Land Registry in Form AN1 as prescribed by Rule 81 of the Land Registration Rules 2003 for a notice to be entered in the register (under section 34(3)(a) of the Land Registration Act 2002) to protect the option granted under clause 6D and including a copy of this Agreement as evidence of that option,
  - shall take any further steps required to ensure that the notice referred to in clause 6E(a) is entered on the proprietorship register,
  - c) shall provide the Secretary of State with confirmation of the entry of the notice referred to in clause 6E(a) as soon as practicable after it receives notification from the Land Registry,
  - d) in the event that it has not registered the notice referred to in clause 6E(a), hereby consents to the entering of the notice referred to in 6E(a) in the register by the Secretary of State (by application in Form UN1 under s. 34(3)(b) of the Land Registration Act 2002),
  - e) shall not, without the consent of the Secretary of State, apply to dis-apply, modify or remove (by cancellation or otherwise) a notice entered in accordance with clause 6E(a) or 6E(d) above, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Company,
  - f) in the case of previously unregistered land, for the further protection of the option granted in Clause 6D the Company shall within 14 days of the signing of this Agreement make application to register a Class C (iv) land charge in the Land Charges Registry and a Caution against First Registration in the Land Registry and shall provide the Secretary of State with copies of the entries secured thereby within 7 days of completing each registration, respectively. If the Secretary of State is of the view that the Company has failed to perform the registration obligations in this sub-clause he shall be at liberty to make his own applications to secure these registrations.

# 7. ANNEX

7.1. The Annex to this Agreement forms part of and is incorporated into this Agreement.

# 8. THE MASTER AGREEMENT

8.1. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement the Master Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

# 9. **GENERAL**

- 9.1. This Agreement shall not be assignable by the Company.
- 9.2. No delay, neglect or forbearance on the part of the Secretary of State in enforcing (in whole or in part) any provision of this Agreement or in exercising (in whole or in part) any right or remedy conferred on him by this Agreement shall be or be deemed to be a waiver of such provision or right or remedy or a waiver of any other provision or right or remedy or shall in any way prejudice any right or remedy of the Secretary of State under this Agreement or shall amount to an election not to enforce such provision or exercise such right or remedy (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any right to terminate this Agreement). No single or partial exercise of such right or remedy shall preclude or restrict the further exercise of that or any other right or remedy.
- 9.3. Termination of this agreement, for any reason, shall not affect the accrued rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of the parties existing at termination.
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# Executed on behalf of CWA Academy Trust by:

Director	1	
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In the presence of:

ANNETTE BACKER.

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The Corporate Seal of the Secretary of State for Education, hereunto affixed is authenticated by:



**Duly Authorised** 



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# Mainstream academy and free school: supplemental funding agreement

**Downham Market Academy** 

**April 2016** 

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# **SUMMARY SHEET**

# Information about the Academy:

Name of Academy Trust	Cambridgeshire Educational Trust
Company number	07665396
Date of Master Funding Agreement	1 July 2011 in the form of a single funding agreement in respect of Chesterton Community College which was amended by a deed of variation dated 12 April 2013 and amended and restated by a deed of variation dated 3 July 2017 to form a master funding agreement
Name of academy	Downham Market Academy
Opening date	1 July 2013 by Eastern Multi-Academy Trust ((previously known as CWA Academy Trust) company number 07338780) and transferred to the operation of the Academy Trust on 1 November 2017
Type of academy (indicate whether academy or free school)	Academy
Religious designation	NA
Wholly or partly selective	NA
Name of predecessor school (where applicable)	Downham Market High School – Technology College
Capacity number	1567
Age range	11-18
Number of sixth form places	350
Number of boarding places	NA
SEN unit / Resource provision	NA
Land arrangements	1
(Version 1-7 or other)	
Address and title number of Land	The freehold land at Downham Market Academy, Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL, being the land registered with title number NK429890, and the freehold

land at Downham Market College, Ryston End, Downham Market PE38 9AY being the land registered with title number NK429881 which is to be the permanent site of the Academy.

# Please confirm which clause variations have been applied or marked as 'Not used'

Clause No.	Descriptor	Applied	Not used
1.1	Only applies to free schools and new provision academies		X
2.A.1	Clause applies where an academy was previously a VC or foundation school designated with a religious character		X
2.C, 2.D	Only applies where the academy has an SEN unit		Х
2.E	Only applies where there was a predecessor independent school		Х
2.G	Clause does not apply to free schools (unless there was a predecessor independent school), or new provision academies	X	
2.M	Clause applies only to academies and free schools designated with a religious character		Х
2.N	Clause applies only to academies that were formerly wholly selective grammar schools		Х
2.0	Clause applies only to academies that were formerly partially selective grammar schools		Х
2.T	Clause applies to free schools and new provision academies designated with a religious character		X
2.W	Clause only applies where the academy is designated with a religious character		Х
2.X	Clause only applies where the academy has not been designated with a religious character	Х	

Clause No.	Descriptor	Applied	Not used
2.Y	Clause applies where an academy was previously a VC school or foundation school designated with a religious character		X
2.Yc)	Sub-clause applies if the academy is designated with a denominational religious character – CE etc. rather than 'Christian'		X
3.A – 3.F	Option 1 applies to converter and sponsored academies: if used delete option 2	X	
3.A – 3.F	Option 2 applies to free schools and new provision academies: if used delete option 1		X
3.H	Clause relating to Start-up only applies in some cases (does not apply to academy converters)		Х
3.J	Clause only applies to full sponsored and intermediate sponsored academies with approved Academy Action Plans		X
3.K	Clause does not apply to free schools (unless there was a predecessor independent school), or new provision academies	X	:
5.G.1	Clause applies only to a boarding academy/free school.		X
5.1	Clause only applies to sponsored academies	х	
5.K	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		X
5.L	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		Х
5.M	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		х
5.N	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		Х
5.O	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		X
6.H	Clause only applies to schools which are designated with a Church of England or	<u> </u>	х

Clause No.	Descriptor	Applied	Not used
	Roman Catholic character		

Please identify any other variations from the model that apply to this academy (e.g. clauses relating to PFI, or any required because the multi academy trust includes academies designated with different religious characters, or a mixture of those designated with a religious character, and those which are not):

Additional clauses will be supplied by your project lead if needed.

Descriptor	Clause	Applied	Not used
	No.		
Amended reference to the master funding	1A	X	
agreement to reflect previous			
amendments.			
Amended to reflect that the Academy	1H	Х	
transferred to the operation of the			:
Academy Trust on 1 November 2017			
Amended to reflect that the academy is	51	Х	
already open but will become a sponsored			
academy operated by the Academy Trust			
from 1 November 2017			
This Agreement is an amendment and	Attestation		X
restatement of a previous version of the	clause		
supplemental funding agreement and			
forms a schedule to a deed of variation.			
The deed is executed not the schedule so			
the attestation clause has been removed.			

# 1. ESTABLISHING THE ACADEMY

1.A This Agreement made between the Secretary of State for Education and
Cambridgeshire Educational Trust is supplemental to the single funding
agreement made between the same parties in respect of Chesterton
Community College dated 1 July 2011 which was amended by a deed of
variation dated 12 April 2013 and amended and restated by a deed of

variation dated 3 July 2017 to form a master funding agreement (the "Master

# Definitions and interpretation

Agreement").

- 1.B Except as expressly provided in this Agreement words and expressions defined in the Master Agreement will have those same meanings in this Agreement.
- 1.C The following capitalised words and expressions will have the following meanings:

"The Academy" means Downham Market Academy.

"Coasting" has the meaning given by regulations under subsection (3) of section 60B of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 in relation to a school to which that section applies.

"SEN" means Special Educational Needs and the expressions "special educational needs" and "special educational provision" have the meaning set out in sections 20(1) and 21(2) of the Children and Families Act 2014.

"Termination Notice" means a notice sent by the Secretary of State to the Academy Trust, terminating this Agreement on the date specified in the notice.

"Termination Warning Notice" means a notice sent by the Secretary of State to the Academy Trust, stating his intention to terminate this Agreement.

1.D The Interpretation Act 1978 applies to this Agreement as it applies to an Act of Parliament. 1.E Reference in this Agreement to clauses and annexes will, unless otherwise stated, be to clauses and annexes to this Agreement.

# The Academy

- 1.F The Academy is a Mainstream Academy as defined in clause 1.4 of the Master Agreement.
- 1.G The Academy Trust will establish and maintain the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement and this Agreement.
- 1.H The Academy opened on 1 July 2013 by Eastern Multi-Academy Trust (company number 07338780 (previously known as CWA Academy Trust)) and the operation of the Academy transferred to the Academy Trust on on 1 November 2017.
- 1.I Not used.

# 2. RUNNING OF THE ACADEMY

# Teachers and staff

2.A Subject to clause 2.4 of the Master Agreement, 7.A of this Agreement and section 67 of the Children and Families Act 2014, the Academy Trust may, in accordance with any relevant Guidance, employ anyone it believes is suitably qualified or is otherwise eligible to plan and prepare lessons and courses for pupils, teach pupils, and assess and report on pupils' development, progress and attainment.

## 2.A.1 Not used.

#### **Pupils**

2.B The planned capacity of the Academy is 1567 in the age range 11-18, including a sixth form of 350 places. The Academy will be an all ability inclusive school.

# SEN unit

- 2.C Not used.
- 2.D Not used.

# Charging

2.E Not used.

#### Admissions

- 2.F Subject to clauses 2.K– 2.L the Academy Trust will act in accordance with, and will ensure that its Independent Appeal Panel is trained to act in accordance with, the School Admissions Code and School Admission Appeals Code published by the DfE (the "Codes") and all relevant admissions law as they apply to foundation and voluntary aided schools, and with equalities law. Reference in the Codes or legislation to "admission authorities" will be deemed to be references to the Academy Trust.
- 2.G Pupils on roll in a Predecessor School which was a maintained or independent school will transfer automatically to the Academy on opening. All children already offered a place at that Predecessor School must be admitted to the Academy.
- 2.H The Academy Trust must participate in the local Fair Access Protocol. The Academy Trust must participate in the coordinated admission arrangements operated by the LA in whose area the Academy is situated. If the Academy is a free school, the Academy Trust is not required to participate in coordination for its first intake of pupils.
- 2.I The Academy Trust may determine admission arrangements (subject to consultation in line with the Codes) that give priority for admission to children attracting the Pupil Premium, including the service premium (the "pupil premium admission criterion"), but not above looked-after children and previously looked-after children.
- 2.J Where the Academy Trust applies the pupil premium admission criterion, it

must provide information in its admission arrangements about eligibility for the premiums.

- 2.K For the purposes of applying the pupil premium admission criterion only, sections 1.9(f) and 2.4(a) of the School Admissions Code do not apply insofar as they prevent admission authorities from giving priority to children according to the financial or occupational status of parents or using supplementary forms that ask for:
  - a) any personal details about their financial status; or
  - b) whether parents are serving in the UK armed forces or were serving in the UK armed forces, and are exercising parental care and responsibility for the child in question.
- 2.L The Secretary of State may:
  - a) direct the Academy Trust to admit a named pupil to the Academy:
    - following an application from an LA including complying with a school attendance order as defined in section 437 of the Education Act 1996. Before doing so the Secretary of State will consult the Academy Trust; or
    - ii. where in relation to a specific child or children the Academy Trust has failed to act in accordance with the Codes or this Agreement or has otherwise acted unlawfully; or
  - b) direct the Academy Trust to amend its admission arrangements where they do not comply with the Codes or this Agreement, or are otherwise unlawful.
- 2.M Not used.
- 2.N Not used.
- 2.0 Not used.
- 2.P The Academy Trust must ensure that parents and 'relevant children' (as

described in the Codes) have the right to appeal to an Independent Appeal Panel if they are dissatisfied with an admission decision of the Academy Trust. The arrangements for appeals must comply with the Codes as they apply to foundation and voluntary aided schools. The determination of the appeal panel is binding on all parties.

- 2.Q Subject to clause 2.R, the meaning of "relevant area" for the purposes of consultation requirements in relation to admission arrangements is that determined by the relevant LA for maintained schools in the area in accordance with the Education (Relevant Areas for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999.
- 2.R If the Academy does not consider the relevant area determined by the LA for the maintained schools in the area to be appropriate, it must apply to the Secretary of State by 1 August before the academic year in question for a determination of the appropriate relevant area for the Academy, setting out the reasons for this view. The Secretary of State will consult the Academy Trust and the LA in whose area the Academy is situated in reaching a decision.
- 2.S The Office of the Schools Adjudicator ("OSA") will consider objections to the Academy's admission arrangements (except objections against the agreed variations from the Codes specified at clause 2.K, over which it has no jurisdiction). The Academy Trust must therefore make it clear, when determining the Academy's admission arrangements, that objections should be submitted to the OSA. The OSA's determination of an objection is binding on the Academy and the Academy Trust must make appropriate changes to its admission arrangements as quickly as possible.
- 2.T Not used.

#### Curriculum

2.U The Academy Trust must provide for the teaching of religious education and a daily act of collective worship at the Academy. 2.V The Academy Trust must comply with section 71(1)-(6) and (8) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 as if the Academy were a community, foundation or voluntary school, and as if references to "religious education" and "religious worship" in that section were references to the religious education and religious worship provided by the Academy in accordance with clause 2.X.

# 2.W Not used.

- 2.X Subject to clause 2.V, where the academy has not been designated with a religious character (in accordance with section 124B of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 or further to section 6(8) of the Academies Act 2010):
  - a) provision must be made for religious education to be given to all pupils at the Academy in accordance with the requirements for agreed syllabuses in section 375(3) of the Education Act 1996 and paragraph
     2(5) of Schedule 19 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998;
  - b) the Academy must comply with section 70(1) of, and Schedule 20 to, the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 as if it were a community, foundation or voluntary school which does not have a religious character, except that paragraph 4 of that Schedule does not apply. The Academy may apply to the Secretary of State for consent to be relieved of the requirement imposed by paragraph 3(2) of that Schedule.

# 2.Y Not used.

2.Z The Academy Trust must have regard to any Guidance, further to section 403 of the Education Act 1996, on sex and relationship education to ensure that children at the Academy are protected from inappropriate teaching materials and that they learn the nature of marriage and its importance for family life and for bringing up children. The Academy Trust must also have regard to the requirements in section 405 of the Education Act 1996, as if the Academy were a maintained school.

2.AA The Academy Trust must prevent political indoctrination, and secure the balanced treatment of political issues, in line with the requirements for maintained schools set out in the Education Act 1996, and have regard to any Guidance.

# GRANT FUNDING

# Calculation of GAG

3A-3D. Not used.

- 3.E The Secretary of State will calculate GAG based on the pupil count at the Academy. In order to calculate GAG for the Academy Financial Year in which the Academy opens, the pupil count will be determined on the same basis as that used by the relevant LA for determining the budget of the maintained Predecessor School.
- 3.F For Academy Financial Years after that referred to in clause 3.E, the basis of the pupil count for determining GAG will be:
  - for pupils in Year 11 and below, the Schools Census which is used to fund maintained schools for the financial year overlapping with the Academy Financial Year in question; and
  - b) for pupils in Year 12 and above, the formula which is in use at the time for maintained schools.
- 3.G The Secretary of State may, at his discretion, adjust the basis of the pupil count to take account of any diseconomies of scale which may affect the Academy if it is operating below the planned capacity in clause 2.B. If such an adjustment is made in any Academy Financial Year, this will not change the basis of the pupil count for calculating the following Academy Financial Year's GAG. If the Secretary of State has indicated that additional grant may be payable in such circumstances, the Academy Trust will bid for this additional grant based on need and providing appropriate supporting evidence. The Secretary of State may accept or refuse the bid at his discretion.

- 3.H Not used.
- 3.1 The Secretary of State recognises that if a Termination Notice or a Termination Warning Notice is served, or the Master Agreement is otherwise terminated, the intake of new pupils during the notice period may decline and therefore payments based on the number of pupils attending the Academy may be insufficient to meet the Academy's needs. In these circumstances the Secretary of State may pay a larger GAG in the notice period, to enable the Academy to operate effectively.

# Other relevant funding

- 3.J Not used.
- 3.K The Secretary of State may pay the Academy Trust's costs in connection with the transfer of employees from a Predecessor School under the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006. Such payment will be agreed on a case-by-case basis. The Academy Trust must not budget for such a payment unless the Secretary of State confirms in writing that it will be paid.

#### Carrying forward of funds

3.L Any additional grant made in accordance with clause 3.I, for a period after the Secretary of State has served a Termination Notice or a Termination Warning Notice under this Agreement, or otherwise terminates the Master Agreement, may be carried forward without limitation or deduction until the circumstances set out in clause 3.I cease to apply or the Academy closes.

# 4. **LAND**

"Land" means the publicly funded freehold land (including for the avoidance of doubt all buildings, strutures, landscaping and other erections) situated at Downham Market Academy, Bexwell Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9LL, being the land registered with title number NK429890, and the freehold land at Downham Market College, Ryston End, Downham Market PE38 9AY being the land registered with title number NK429881 which is to be the permanent site of the Academy.

"Property Notice" means any order, notice, proposal, demand or other requirement issued by any competent authority which materially affects the Academy Trust's ability to use the Land for the purposes of the Academy.

#### Restrictions on Land transfer

# 4.A The Academy Trust must:

a) within 28 days of the signing of this Agreement in circumstances where the Land is transferred to the Academy Trust prior to the date of this Agreement, or otherwise within 28 days of the transfer of the Land to the Academy Trust, apply to the Land Registry using Form RX1 for the following restriction (the "Restriction") to be entered in the proprietorship register for the Land:

No disposition of the registered estate by the proprietor of the registered estate is to be registered without a written consent signed by the Secretary of State for Education, of Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT;

- take any further steps reasonably required to ensure that the Restriction is entered on the proprietorship register;
- promptly confirm to the Secretary of State when the Restriction has been registered;
- d) if it has not registered the Restriction, permit the Secretary of State to do so in its place; and
- e) not, without the Secretary of State's consent, apply to disapply, modify, cancel or remove the Restriction, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Academy Trust.

# **Obligations of the Academy Trust**

4.B The Academy Trust must keep the Land clean and tidy and make good any damage or deterioration to the Land. The Academy Trust must not do

anything to lessen the value or marketability of the Land without the Secretary of State's consent.

- 4.C The Academy Trust must not, without the Secretary of State's consent:
  - a) grant any consent or licence; or
  - b) create or allow any encumbrance; or
  - c) part with or share possession or occupation; or
  - d) enter into any onerous or restrictive obligations,

in respect of all or part of the Land.

# Option

4.D The Academy Trust grants and the Secretary of State accepts an option (the "Option") to acquire all or part of the Land at nil consideration. The Secretary of State may exercise the Option in writing on termination of this Agreement. If the Option is exercised, completion will take place 28 days after the exercise date in accordance with the Law Society's Standard Conditions of Sale for Commercial Property in force at that date.

# **Option Notice**

- 4.E The Academy Trust:
  - a) must, within 14 days after acquiring the Land or, if later, after signing this Agreement, apply to the Land Registry on Form AN1 (including a copy of this Agreement) for a notice of the Option (the "Option Notice") to be entered in the register, taking any further steps required to have the Option Notice registered and promptly confirming to the Secretary of State when this has been done;
  - if it has not registered the Option Notice, agrees that the Secretary of State may apply to register it using Form UN1;
  - must not, without the Secretary of State's consent, apply to disapply,

modify or remove the Option Notice, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Academy Trust, and

d) must, in the case of previously unregistered land, within 14 days after acquiring the Land or, if later, after signing this Agreement, apply to register a Class C(iv) land charge in the Land Charges Registry, and send the Secretary of State a copy of the relevant entry within 7 days after the registration has been completed. If the Secretary of State considers that the Academy Trust has not complied with this clause, he may apply to secure the registration.

# **Property Notices**

- 4.F If the Academy Trust receives a Property Notice, it must:
  - send a copy of it to the Secretary of State within 14 days, stating how the Academy Trust intends to respond to it;
  - b) promptly give the Secretary of State all the information he asks for about it;
  - allow the Secretary of State to take all necessary action, with or instead
    of the Academy Trust, to comply with it, and
  - use its best endeavours to help the Secretary of State in connection with it.

# Sharing the Land

#### 4.G Where:

- the Secretary of State identifies basic or parental need for additional places in the area in which the Academy is situated; and
- the Secretary of State then considers that not all the Land is needed for the operation of the Academy at planned capacity,

The Secretary of State must consult with the Academy Trust to determine whether part of the Land could be demised or leased to another academy

trust, as the Secretary of State considers appropriate, for the purpose of that academy trust establishing and maintaining an educational institution on the Land.

4.H To the extent the Academy Trust and the Secretary of State agree to part of the Land being demised or leased in accordance with clause 4.G, the Academy Trust must use its best endeavours to procure all necessary consents in order to enable it to share occupation of the Land with the incoming academy trust and to provide the incoming academy trust with security of tenure over the Land occupied by it, and shall enter into any legal arrangements which the Secretary of State requires for this purpose. The Secretary of State shall meet the necessary and reasonable costs incurred by the Academy Trust in connection with this clause.

# 4.I For the purposes of clause 4.G:

- a basic need will arise when the forecast demand for pupil places in the area where the Academy is situated is greater than the existing capacity to provide them;
- a parental need will arise when the DfE is actually aware of an additional demand for pupil places in the area where the Academy is situated, following representations from parents in that area; and
- planned capacity has the meaning given in clause 2.B.

# 5. <u>TERMINATION</u>

# Termination by either party

5.A Either party may give at least seven Academy Financial Years' notice to terminate this Agreement. Such termination would take effect on 31 August of the relevant year.

# **Termination Warning Notice**

- 5.B The Secretary of State may serve a Termination Warning Notice where he considers that:
  - the Academy Trust has breached the provisions of this Agreement or the Master Agreement; or
  - the standards of performance of pupils at the Academy are unacceptably low; or
  - there has been a serious breakdown in the way the Academy is managed or governed; or
  - the safety of pupils or staff is threatened, including due to breakdown of discipline; or
    - e) the Academy is coasting provided he has notified the Academy Trust that it is coasting.
- 5.C A Termination Warning Notice served under clause 5.B will specify:
  - a) the action the Academy Trust must take;
  - b) the date by which the action must be completed; and
  - c) the date by which the Academy Trust must make any representations, or confirm that it agrees to undertake the specified action.
- 5.D The Secretary of State will consider any representations from the Academy Trust which he receives by the date specified in the Termination Warning Notice. The Secretary of State may amend the Termination Warning Notice to specify further action which the Academy Trust must take, and the date by which it must be completed.
- 5.E If the Secretary of State considers that the Academy Trust has not responded to the Termination Warning Notice as specified under clause 5.C(c), or has not completed the action required in the Termination Warning Notice as specified under clauses 5.C(a) and (b) (and any further action specified under

clause 5.D) he may serve a Termination Notice.

# Termination by the Secretary of State after inspection

- 5.F If the Chief Inspector gives notice to the Academy Trust that:
  - a) special measures are required to be taken in relation to the Academy;
     or
  - b) the Academy requires significant improvement
    the Secretary of State may serve a Termination Warning Notice, specifying
- 5.G In deciding whether to give notice of his intention to terminate under clause5.F, the Secretary of State will have due regard to the overall performance of the Academy Trust.

the date by which the Academy Trust must make any representations.

- 5.G.1 Not used.
- 5.H If the Secretary of State has served a Termination Warning Notice under clause 5.F and:
  - has not received any representations from the Academy Trust by the date specified in the notice; or
  - having considered the representations made by the Academy Trust remains satisfied that this Agreement should be terminated;

he may serve a Termination Notice.

- 5.I If the Chief Inspector gives a notice referred to in clause 5.F to the Academy Trust within two years after the Academy transferred to the operation of the Academy Trust, the Secretary of State may only serve a Termination Warning Notice under clause 5.F if:
  - the Chief Inspector has held a monitoring inspection under section 8 of the Education Act 2005 later than two years after the Academy transferred to the operation of the Academy Trust; and

b) the Chief Inspector considers that the Academy is not making enough progress towards the removal of the designation referred to in his notice.

Nothing in this clause prevents or prejudices the Secretary of State exercising any other rights arising from or under this Agreement (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any rights under clauses 5.B to 5.E).

# Termination by the Secretary of State

- 5.J If the Secretary of State has determined that the Academy will be removed from the Register of Independent Schools and no appeal against that determination is pending, he may serve a Termination Notice.
- 5.K Not used.
- 5.L Not used.
- 5.M Not used.
- 5.N Not used.
- 5.0 Not used.

# Funding and admission during notice period

- 5.P If the Secretary of State serves a Termination Notice under clause 5.A, the Academy Trust may continue during the notice period to admit pupils to the Academy, and to receive GAG and EAG, in accordance with this Agreement.
- 5.Q If the Secretary of State serves a Termination Warning Notice or a Termination Notice otherwise than under clause 5.A, the Academy Trust may continue during the notice period to admit pupils to the Academy (unless the Secretary of State specifies otherwise), and to receive GAG and EAG, in accordance with this Agreement.

# Notice of intention to terminate by Academy Trust

5.R The Secretary of State will, before the start of each Academy Financial Year,

provide the Academy Trust with a final funding allocation indicating the level of GAG and EAG to be provided in the next Academy Financial Year (the "Funding Allocation").

- 5.S If the Academy Trust is of the opinion that, after receipt of the Funding Allocation for the next Academy Financial Year (the "Critical Year") and after taking into account all other resources likely to be available to the Academy, including other funds that are likely to be available to the Academy from other academies operated by the Academy Trust ("All Other Resources"), it is likely that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent (and for this reason only) then the Academy Trust may give written notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement on 31 August before the Critical Year.
- 5.T Any notice given by the Academy Trust under clause 5.S must be provided to the Secretary of State within six weeks of the Secretary of State issuing the Funding Allocation. The notice given by the Academy Trust under clause 5.S must specify:
  - the grounds upon which the Academy Trust's opinion is based, including:
    - evidence of those grounds;
    - ii. any professional accounting advice the Academy Trust has received;
    - iii. a detailed statement of steps which the Academy Trust proposes to take to ensure that the running costs of the Academy are reduced such that costs are less than the Funding Allocation and All Other Resources, and the period of time within which such steps will be taken; and
  - b) the shortfall in the Critical Year between the Funding Allocation and All Other Resources expected to be available to the Academy Trust to run the Academy and the projected expenditure on the Academy; and

- a detailed budget of income and expenditure for the Academy during the Critical Year (the "Projected Budget").
- 5.U Both parties will use their best endeavours to agree whether or not the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent. Both parties recognise that they will need to engage in a constructive dialogue at the time about how best to provide education for the pupils at the Academy and use their best endeavours to agree a practical solution to the problem.
- 5.V If no agreement is reached by 30 April (or another date if agreed between the parties) as to whether the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent, then that question will be referred to an independent expert (the "Expert") for resolution. The Expert's determination will be final and binding on both parties. The Expert will be requested to specify in his determination the amount of the shortfall in funding (the "Shortfall").
- 5.W The Expert will be an insolvency practitioner with significant professional experience of educational institutions or academies. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the Expert then the Expert will be appointed by the President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The Expert's fees will be borne equally between the parties.
- 5.X The Expert will be required in reaching his determination to take account of advice from an educational specialist who is professionally familiar with the issues arising from the budget management of schools. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the educational specialist then the educational specialist will be appointed by the Chairman of the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust (or any successor or equivalent body). The educational specialist's fees will be borne equally between the parties.
- 5.Y If the Expert determines that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent, and the Secretary of State will not have agreed to provide sufficient additional funding to cover the Shortfall, then the Academy Trust will be entitled to terminate this

Agreement, by notice expiring on 31 August before the Critical Year. Any such notice will be given within 21 days after (a) the Expert's determination will have been given to the parties or (b), if later, the Secretary of State will have given written notice of his refusal to provide sufficient additional funding for the Academy to cover the Shortfall.

#### Effect of termination

- 5.Z If this Agreement is terminated, the Academy will cease to be an Academy within the meaning of sections 1 and 1A of the Academies Act 2010.
- 5.AA Subject to clauses 5.BB and 5.CC, if the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement under clause 5.A, he will indemnify the Academy Trust. If the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement otherwise than under clause 5.A, he may at his discretion indemnify or compensate the Academy Trust.
- 5.BB The amount of any such indemnity or compensation will be determined by the Secretary of State, having regard to representations made to him by the Academy Trust, and will be paid as and when the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- 5.CC The categories of expenditure incurred by the Academy Trust in consequence of termination, for which the Secretary of State may indemnify the Academy Trust under clauses 5.AA, may include:
  - a) staff compensation and redundancy payments;
  - b) compensation payments in respect of broken contracts;
  - c) expenses of disposing of assets or adapting them for other purposes;
  - d) legal and other professional fees; and
  - e) dissolution expenses.
- 5.DD If this Agreement is terminated, and the Academy Trust owns capital assets which have been partly or wholly funded by HM Government, the Academy Trust must, as soon as possible after the termination date:

- transfer a proportion of those capital assets, equal to the proportion of the original financial contribution made by HM Government, to a nominee of the Secretary of State to use for educational purposes; or
- b) if the Secretary of State directs that a transfer under clause 5.DD(a) is not required, pay to the Secretary of State at the termination date (or, by agreement with the Secretary of State, at the date of their subsequent disposal) a sum equivalent to the proportion of the original financial contribution made by HM Government.

# 5.EE The Secretary of State may:

- Waive all or part of the repayment due under sub-clause 5.DD(b) if the Academy Trust obtains his permission to invest the sale proceeds for its charitable purposes; or
- direct the Academy Trust to pay all or part of the sale proceeds to the relevant LA.

# 6. OTHER CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS

#### Annexes

6.A Any annexes to this Agreement form part of and are incorporated into this Agreement.

# The Master Agreement

6.B Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, all provisions of the Master Agreement have full force and effect.

#### General

- 6.C The Academy Trust cannot assign this Agreement.
- 6.D Failure to exercise, or a delay in exercising, any right or remedy of the Secretary of State under this Agreement (including the right to terminate this Agreement), or a single or partial exercise of such a right or remedy, is not a waiver of, and does not prevent or restrict any initial or further exercise of, that

- or any other right or remedy.
- 6.E Termination of this Agreement will not affect the accrued rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of the parties existing at termination.
- 6.F This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall constitute a duplicate original, but all of which will together constitute the same agreement.
- 6.G This Agreement and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales, and submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.
- 6.H Not used.

# **ANNEXES**

# 7. PUPILS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS (SEN) AND DISABILITIES

"Statement of SEN" means a statement made under section 324 of the Education Act 1996.

"EHC plan" means an Education, Health and Care plan made under sections 37(2) of the Children and Families Act 2014.

- 7.A Except as set out in clause 8 below, the Children and Families Act 2014 imposes duties directly on Academies in respect of pupils with special educational needs, including the admission of pupils with EHC plans. If an Academy Trust considers that a LA should not have named the Academy in an EHC plan, it may ask the Secretary of State to determine whether the LA has acted unreasonably, and to make an order directing the LA to reconsider. The Secretary of State's determination will be final, subject to any right of appeal which a parent of the child may have to the First Tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability) or the Upper Tribunal Administrative Appeals Chamber.
- 7.B Not used
- 7.C Not used
- 7.D Not used.

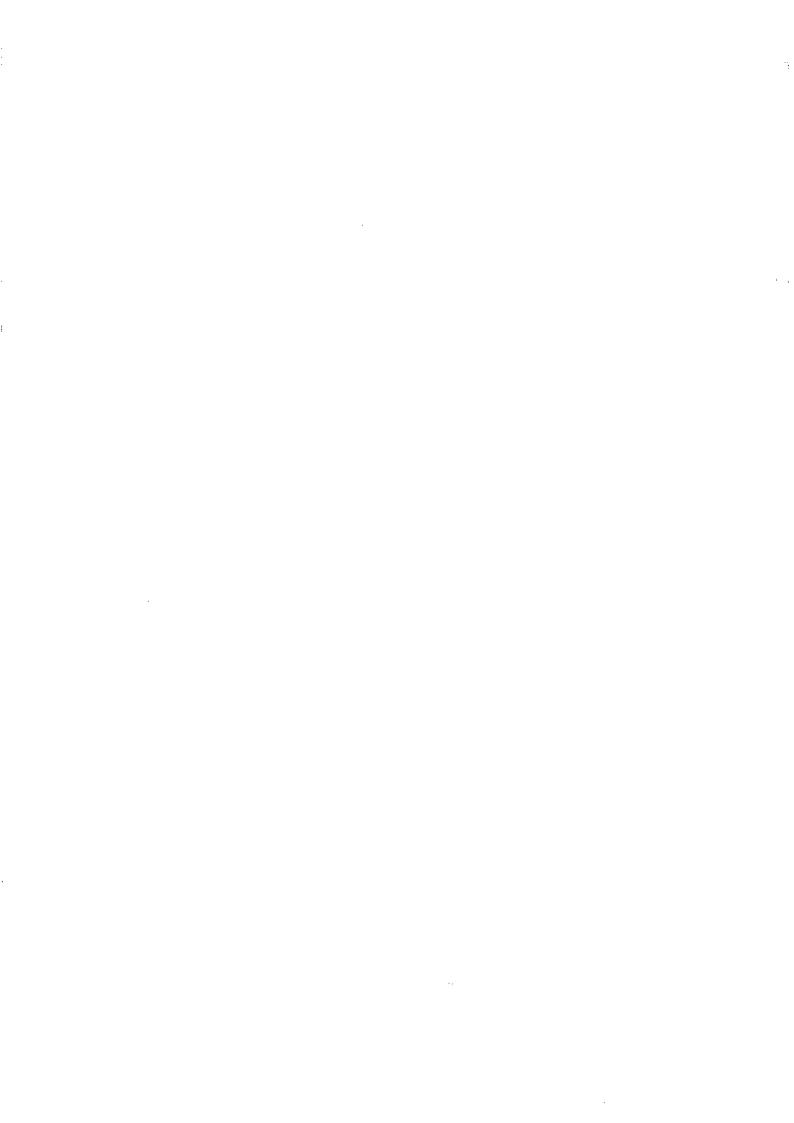
# 8. <u>ADMISSION OF PUPILS WITH SEN AND DISABILITIES</u>

- 8.A The Academy Trust must for each of its Academies, subject to its right of appeal to the Secretary of State, admit all pupils with a statement of SEN naming the Academy.
- 8.B Where an LA proposes to name one of the Academies in a statement of SEN, it must give the Academy Trust written notice of this, stating why it considers that Academy to be suitable for the pupil in question. Within 15 days of receipt of the LA's notice, the Academy Trust must consent to being named, except

where admitting the child would be incompatible with the provision of efficient education for other children, and no reasonable steps could secure compatibility. In deciding whether a child's inclusion would be incompatible with the efficient education of other children or the efficient use of resources, the Academy Trust must have regard to the relevant Guidance issued to maintained schools.

- 8.C If the Academy Trust decides that admitting the child would be incompatible with the provision of efficient education or the efficient use of resources, it must, within the 15 days, notify the LA in writing, giving its reasons for its decision.
- 8.D The Academy Trust must then seek to establish from the LA whether or not it agrees with this determination. If the LA does not agree with the Academy Trust's response, and names the Academy in the child's statement of SEN, the Academy Trust must admit the child to the school as specified in the statement or otherwise by the LA.
- 8.E If in such case, the Academy Trust considers that the LA should not have named the Academy in the statement, it may ask the Secretary of State to determine whether the LA has acted unreasonably, and to make an order directing the LA to reconsider. The Secretary of State's determination will be final, subject only to any right of appeal which a parent of the child may have to the First-tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability) or the Upper Tribunal Administrative Appeals Chamber.
- 8.F If a parent of a child for whom the LA maintains a statement appeals to the First-tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability), either for or against the naming of the Academy in the child's statement, then the Tribunal's decision will be binding, even if it is different from that of the Secretary of State.
- 8.G Where it has been finally determined that the Academy be named in a child's statement of SEN, the Academy Trust must admit the child to the Academy, notwithstanding any other admissions requirements in this Agreement.

8.H Clauses 8.A to 8.G only apply insofar as the relevant provisions of the Children and Families Act 2014 relating to SEN and disability do not apply to Academies and Free Schools.



# Schedule 2 Amended Supplemental Funding Agreement



# Mainstream academy and free school: supplemental funding agreement

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# **SUMMARY SHEET**

## Information about the Academy:

Name of Academy Trust	Morris Education Trust	
Company number	07899393	
Date of Master Funding Agreement	23 January 2012 in the form of a funding agreement in respect of Impington Village College, which was amended by a Deed o Variation dated 20 December 2012, furthe amended and restated by a Deed of Variation of Funding Agreement dated 27 October 2016 to form a master funding agreement, and further amended and restated by a Deed of Variation of Agreement dated 25 August 2020	
Name of academy	Downham Market Academy	
Opening date	1 July 2013	
Type of academy (indicate whether academy or free school)	Academy	
Religious designation	N/A	
Wholly or partly selective	N/A	
Name of predecessor school (where applicable)	Downham Market High School – Technology College	
Capacity number	1,567	
Age range	11-18	
Number of sixth form places	350	
Number of boarding places	N/A	
SEN unit / Resource provision	N/A	
Land arrangements	Version 1	
(Version 1-8 or other)	Two freehold sites	

Name of Academy Trust	Morris Education Trust		
Address and title number of Land	Two sites:		
	<ol> <li>Downham Market College, Ryston End, Downham Market, PE38 9AY title number NK429881</li> <li>Downham Market College, Bexwell Road, Downham Market, PE38 9LL title number NK429890</li> </ol>		

# Please confirm which clause variations have been applied or marked as 'Not used'

Clause No.	Descriptor	Applied	Not used
1.1	Only applies to free schools and new provision academies		Х
2.A.1	Clause applies where an academy was previously a VC or foundation school designated with a religious character		Х
2.C, 2.D	Only applies where the academy has an SEN unit		Х
2.E	Only applies where there was a predecessor independent school		Х
2.G	Clause does not apply to free schools (unless there was a predecessor independent school), or new provision academies	Х	
2.M	Clause applies only to academies and free schools designated with a religious character		Х
2.N	Clause applies only to academies that were formerly wholly selective grammar schools		Х
2.0	Clause applies only to academies that were formerly partially selective grammar schools		Х
2.T	Clause applies to free schools and new provision academies designated with a religious character		Х
2.W	Clause only applies where the academy is designated with a religious character		Х
2.X	Clause only applies where the academy has not been designated with a religious character	Х	
2.Y	Clause applies where an academy was previously a VC school or foundation school designated with a religious character		Х

Clause No.	Descriptor	Applied	Not used
2.Yc)	Sub-clause applies if the academy is designated with a denominational religious character – CE etc. rather than 'Christian'		Х
3.A – 3.F	Option 1 applies to converter and sponsored academies: if used delete option 2	Х	
3.A – 3.F	Option 2 applies to free schools and new provision academies: if used delete option 1		Х
3.H	Clause relating to Start-up only applies in some cases (does not apply to academy converters)		Х
3.J	Clause only applies to full sponsored and intermediate sponsored academies with approved Academy Action Plans		Х
3.K	Clause does not apply to free schools (unless there was a predecessor independent school), or new provision academies	Х	
5.G.1	Clause applies only to a boarding academy/free school.		Х
5.1	Clause only applies to sponsored academies	Х	
5.K	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		Х
5.L	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		Х
5.M	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		Х
5.N	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		Х
5.0	Clause applies to free schools and may be applied to new provision academies		Х
6.H	Clause only applies to schools which are designated with a Church of England or Roman Catholic character		Х

Please identify any other variations from the model that apply to this academy (e.g. clauses relating to PFI, or any required because the multi academy trust includes academies designated with different religious characters, or a mixture of those designated with a religious character, and those which are not):

Additional clauses will be supplied by your project lead if needed.

Descriptor	Clause	Applied	Not used
	No.		
Amended to state that the Academy Trust	1.G		
will "run" the Academy rather than			
"establish" it, as this relates to an existing			
academy being transferred into the			
Academy Trust.			
Amended to reflect that the Academy Trust	1.H		
will "continue to operate" the Academy			
within the multi academy trust from the			
date of this Agreement rather than rather			
than "open" the Academy from the relevant			
date.			
Amended to clarify that pupils on roll at the	2.G		
Academy will continue at the Academy			
from the date of the Agreement.			
Where "academy" is referring to the	2.X		
Academy (as defined), this is corrected to			
"Academy".			
Amended description regarding the	3.E – 3.F		
calculation of GAG, given the Academy is			
an existing academy.			
Where "Academy Trust" is not referring to	4.G – 4.H		
the Academy Trust (as defined), this is			
corrected to "academy trust".			

Descriptor	Clause	Applied	Not used
	No.		
Amended to remove the attestation	Attestation		
clauses as this Agreement will be	clauses		
scheduled to a Deed of Novation and			
Variation of Funding Agreement.			

### 1. **ESTABLISHING THE ACADEMY**

1.A This Agreement made between the Secretary of State for Education and Morris Education Trust is supplemental to the master funding agreement made between the same parties and dated 23 January 2012 in the form of a funding agreement in respect of Impington Village College, which was amended by a Deed of Variation dated 20 December 2012, amended and restated by a Deed of Variation of Funding Agreement dated 27 October 2016 to form a master funding agreement and further amended and restated by a Deed of Variation of Funding Agreement dated 25 August 2020 (the "Master Agreement").

### **Definitions and interpretation**

- 1.B Except as expressly provided in this Agreement words and expressions defined in the Master Agreement will have those same meanings in this Agreement.
- 1.C The following capitalised words and expressions will have the following meanings:

"The **Academy**" means Downham Market Academy.

"Coasting" has the meaning given by regulations under subsection (3) of section 60B of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 in relation to a school to which that section applies.

"SEN" means Special Educational Needs and the expressions "special educational needs" and "special educational provision" have the meaning set out in sections 20(1) and 21(2) of the Children and Families Act 2014.

"**Termination Notice**" means a notice sent by the Secretary of State to the Academy Trust, terminating this Agreement on the date specified in the notice.

"**Termination Warning Notice**" means a notice sent by the Secretary of State to the Academy Trust, stating his intention to terminate this Agreement.

1.D The Interpretation Act 1978 applies to this Agreement as it applies to an Act of

Parliament.

1.E Reference in this Agreement to clauses and annexes will, unless otherwise stated, be to clauses and annexes to this Agreement.

### The Academy

- 1.F The Academy is a Mainstram Academy as defined in clause 1.4 of the Master Agreement.
- 1.G The Academy Trust will run and maintain the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement and this Agreement.
- 1.H The Academy Trust opened on 1 July 2013. The Academy Trust will operate the Academy from 1 September 2020.
- 1.1 Not used.

### 2. RUNNING OF THE ACADEMY

### **Teachers and staff**

- 2.A Subject to clause 2.A.2 and 7.A of this Agreement and section 67 of the Children and Families Act 2014, the Academy Trust may, in accordance with any relevant Guidance, employ anyone it believes is suitably qualified or is otherwise eligible to plan and prepare lessons and courses for pupils, teach pupils, and assess and report on pupils' development, progress and attainment.
- 2.A.1 Not used.
- 2.A.2 The Academy Trust must designate a staff member at the Academy as responsible for promoting the educational achievement of registered pupils at the Academy who are being looked after by an LA, or are no longer looked after by an LA because of an adoption, special guardianship or child arrangements order, or because they have been adopted from 'state care' outside England and Wales, and in doing so must comply with the law, regulations and guidance that apply to maintained schools. The Academy

Trust must ensure the designated person undertakes appropriate training and has regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State.

### **Pupils**

2.B The planned capacity of the Academy is 1,567 in the age range 11-18, including a sixth form of 350. The Academy will be an all ability inclusive school.

### SEN unit

- 2 C Not used
- 2.D Not used.

### Charging

2.E Not used.

### Admissions

- 2.F Subject to clauses 2.K– 2.L the Academy Trust will act in accordance with, and will ensure that its Independent Appeal Panel is trained to act in accordance with, the School Admissions Code and School Admission Appeals Code published by the DfE (the "Codes") and all relevant admissions law as they apply to foundation and voluntary aided schools, and with equalities law. Reference in the Codes or legislation to "admission authorities" will be deemed to be references to the Academy Trust.
- 2.G Pupils on roll in the Academy will continue at the Academy from the date of this Agreement.
- 2.H The Academy Trust must participate in the local Fair Access Protocol. The Academy Trust must participate in the coordinated admission arrangements operated by the LA in whose area the Academy is situated. If the Academy is a free school, the Academy Trust is not required to participate in coordination for its first intake of pupils.
- 2.I Not used.

- 2.J Not used.
- 2.K Not used.
- 2.L The Secretary of State may:
  - a) direct the Academy Trust to admit a named pupil to the Academy:
    - following an application from an LA including complying with a school attendance order as defined in section 437 of the Education Act 1996. Before doing so the Secretary of State will consult the Academy Trust; or
    - ii. where in relation to a specific child or children the Academy Trust has failed to act in accordance with the Codes or this Agreement or has otherwise acted unlawfully; or
  - b) direct the Academy Trust to amend its admission arrangements where they do not comply with the Codes or this Agreement, or are otherwise unlawful.
- 2.M Not used.
- 2.N Not used.
- 2.0 Not used.
- 2.P The Academy Trust must make arrangements to ensure an independent appeals panel is established for the Academy and its clerk and members are trained to act in accordance with the Codes. The Academy Trust must ensure that parents and 'relevant children' (as described in the Codes) are informed of their right to appeal to an Independent Appeal Panel if they are dissatisfied with an admission decision of the Academy Trust. The arrangements for appeals must comply with the Codes as they apply to foundation and voluntary aided schools. The determination of the appeal panel is binding on all parties.
- 2.Q Subject to clause 2.R, the meaning of "relevant area" for the purposes of

- consultation requirements in relation to admission arrangements is that determined by the relevant LA for maintained schools in the area in accordance with the Education (Relevant Areas for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999.
- 2.R If the Academy does not consider the relevant area determined by the LA for the maintained schools in the area to be appropriate, it must apply to the Secretary of State by 1 August before the academic year in question for a determination of the appropriate relevant area for the Academy, setting out the reasons for this view. The Secretary of State will consult the Academy Trust and the LA in whose area the Academy is situated in reaching a decision.
- 2.S The Office of the Schools Adjudicator ("OSA") will consider objections to the Academy's admission arrangements (except objections against any agreed derogations from the provisions of the Codes specified in this funding agreement, over which it has no jurisdiction). The Academy Trust must therefore make it clear, when determining the Academy's admission arrangements, that objections should be submitted to the OSA. The OSA's determination of an objection is binding on the Academy and the Academy Trust must make appropriate changes to its admission arrangements to give effect to the Adjudicator's decision within two months of the decision (or by 28 February following the decision, whichever is sooner), unless an alternative timescale is specified by the Adjudicator.
- 2.T Not used.

### Curriculum

- 2.U The Academy Trust must provide for the teaching of religious education and a daily act of collective worship at the Academy.
- 2.V The Academy Trust must comply with section 71(1)-(6) and (8) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 as if the Academy were a community, foundation or voluntary school, and as if references to "religious education" and "religious worship" in that section were references to the religious

education and religious worship provided by the Academy in accordance with clause 2.X.

- 2.W Not used.
- 2.X Subject to clause 2.V, where the Academy has not been designated with a religious character (in accordance with section 124B of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 or further to section 6(8) of the Academies Act 2010):
  - a) provision must be made for religious education to be given to all pupils at the Academy in accordance with the requirements for agreed syllabuses in section 375(3) of the Education Act 1996 and paragraph 2(5) of Schedule 19 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998;
  - b) the Academy must comply with section 70(1) of, and Schedule 20 to, the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 as if it were a community, foundation or voluntary school which does not have a religious character, except that paragraph 4 of that Schedule does not apply. The Academy may apply to the Secretary of State for consent to be relieved of the requirement imposed by paragraph 3(2) of that Schedule.
- 2.Y Not used.
- 2.Z The Academy Trust must have regard to any Guidance, further to section 403 of the Education Act 1996, on sex and relationship education to ensure that children at the Academy are protected from inappropriate teaching materials and that they learn the nature of marriage and its importance for family life and for bringing up children. The Academy Trust must also have regard to the requirements in section 405 of the Education Act 1996, as if the Academy were a maintained school.
- 2.AA The Academy Trust must prevent political indoctrination, and secure the balanced treatment of political issues, in line with the requirements for maintained schools set out in the Education Act 1996, and have regard to any

Guidance.

### 3. **GRANT FUNDING**

### Calculation of GAG

3A-3D. Not used.

- 3.E The Secretary of State will calculate GAG based on the pupil count at the Academy.
- 3.F The basis of the pupil count for each Academy Financial Year will be:
  - for pupils in Year 11 and below, the Schools Census which is used to fund maintained schools for the financial year overlapping with the Academy Financial Year in question; and
  - b) for pupils in Year 12 and above, the formula which is in use at the time for maintained schools.
- 3.G The Secretary of State may, at his discretion, adjust the basis of the pupil count to take account of any diseconomies of scale which may affect the Academy if it is operating below the planned capacity in clause 2.B. If such an adjustment is made in any Academy Financial Year, this will not change the basis of the pupil count for calculating the following Academy Financial Year's GAG. If the Secretary of State has indicated that additional grant may be payable in such circumstances, the Academy Trust will bid for this additional grant based on need and providing appropriate supporting evidence. The Secretary of State may accept or refuse the bid at his discretion.
- 3.H Not used.
- 3.I The Secretary of State recognises that if a Termination Notice or a Termination Warning Notice is served, or the Master Agreement is otherwise terminated, the intake of new pupils during the notice period may decline and therefore payments based on the number of pupils attending the Academy may be insufficient to meet the Academy's needs. In these circumstances the

Secretary of State may pay a larger GAG in the notice period, to enable the Academy to operate effectively.

### Other relevant funding

- 3.J Not used.
- 3.K The Secretary of State may pay the Academy Trust's costs in connection with the transfer of employees from a Predecessor School under the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006. Such payment will be agreed on a case-by-case basis. The Academy Trust must not budget for such a payment unless the Secretary of State confirms in writing that it will be paid.

### **Carrying forward of funds**

3.L Any additional grant made in accordance with clause 3.I, for a period after the Secretary of State has served a Termination Notice or a Termination Warning Notice under this Agreement, or otherwise terminates the Master Agreement, may be carried forward without limitation or deduction until the circumstances set out in clause 3.I cease to apply or the Academy closes.

### 4. **LAND**

"Land" means the freehold land at Ryston End, Downham Market, PE38 9AY, being the land registered with title number NK429881 together with the freehold land at Bexwell Road, Downham Market, PE38 9LL being land registered with title number NK429890 together which is to be the permanent site of the Academy.

"Property Notice" means any order, notice, proposal, demand or other requirement issued by any competent authority which materially affects the Academy Trust's ability to use the Land for the purposes of the Academy.

### **Restrictions on Land transfer**

- 4.A The Academy Trust must:
  - a) within 28 days of the signing of this Agreement in circumstances where

the Land is transferred to the Academy Trust prior to the date of this Agreement, or otherwise within 28 days of the transfer of the Land to the Academy Trust, apply to the Land Registry using Form RX1 for the following restriction (the "Restriction") to be entered in the proprietorship register for the Land:

No disposition of the registered estate by the proprietor of the registered estate is to be registered without a written consent signed by the Secretary of State for Education, of Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT;

- b) take any further steps reasonably required to ensure that the Restriction is entered on the proprietorship register;
- c) promptly confirm to the Secretary of State when the Restriction has been registered;
- d) if it has not registered the Restriction, permit the Secretary of State to do so in its place; and
- e) not, without the Secretary of State's consent, apply to disapply, modify, cancel or remove the Restriction, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Academy Trust.

### **Obligations of the Academy Trust**

- 4.B The Academy Trust must keep the Land clean and tidy and make good any damage or deterioration to the Land. The Academy Trust must not do anything to lessen the value or marketability of the Land without the Secretary of State's consent.
- 4.C The Academy Trust must not, without the Secretary of State's consent:
  - a) grant any consent or licence; or
  - b) create or allow any encumbrance; or

- c) part with or share possession or occupation; or
- d) enter into any onerous or restrictive obligations,

in respect of all or part of the Land.

### Option

4.D The Academy Trust grants and the Secretary of State accepts an option (the "Option") to acquire all or part of the Land at nil consideration. The Secretary of State may exercise the Option in writing on termination of this Agreement. If the Option is exercised, completion will take place 28 days after the exercise date in accordance with the Law Society's Standard Conditions of Sale for Commercial Property in force at that date.

### **Option Notice**

### 4.E The Academy Trust:

- a) must, within 14 days after acquiring the Land or, if later, after signing this Agreement, apply to the Land Registry on Form AN1 (including a copy of this Agreement) for a notice of the Option (the "Option Notice") to be entered in the register, taking any further steps required to have the Option Notice registered and promptly confirming to the Secretary of State when this has been done;
- if it has not registered the Option Notice, agrees that the Secretary of
   State may apply to register it using Form UN1;
- c) must not, without the Secretary of State's consent, apply to disapply, modify or remove the Option Notice, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Academy Trust, and
- d) must, in the case of previously unregistered land, within 14 days after acquiring the Land or, if later, after signing this Agreement, apply to register a Class C(iv) land charge in the Land Charges Registry, and send the Secretary of State a copy of the relevant entry within 7 days

after the registration has been completed. If the Secretary of State considers that the Academy Trust has not complied with this clause, he may apply to secure the registration.

### **Property Notices**

- 4.F If the Academy Trust receives a Property Notice, it must:
  - send a copy of it to the Secretary of State within 14 days, stating how
     the Academy Trust intends to respond to it;
  - b) promptly give the Secretary of State all the information he asks for about it;
  - c) allow the Secretary of State to take all necessary action, with or instead of the Academy Trust, to comply with it, and
  - use its best endeavours to help the Secretary of State in connection with it.

### **Sharing the Land**

### 4.G Where:

- a) the Secretary of State identifies basic or parental need for additional places in the area in which the Academy is situated; and
- b) the Secretary of State then considers that not all the Land is needed for the operation of the Academy at planned capacity,

The Secretary of State must consult with the Academy Trust to determine whether part of the Land could be demised or leased to another academy trust, as the Secretary of State considers appropriate, for the purpose of that academy trust establishing and maintaining an educational institution on the Land.

4.H To the extent the Academy Trust and the Secretary of State agree to part of the Land being demised or leased in accordance with clause 4.G, the Academy Trust must use its best endeavours to procure all necessary consents in order to enable it to share occupation of the Land with the

incoming academy trust and to provide the incoming academy trust with security of tenure over the Land occupied by it, and shall enter into any legal arrangements which the Secretary of State requires for this purpose. The Secretary of State shall meet the necessary and reasonable costs incurred by the Academy Trust in connection with this clause.

### 4.I For the purposes of clause 4.G:

- a) a basic need will arise when the forecast demand for pupil places in the area where the Academy is situated is greater than the existing capacity to provide them;
- b) a parental need will arise when the DfE is actually aware of an additional demand for pupil places in the area where the Academy is situated, following representations from parents in that area; and
- c) planned capacity has the meaning given in clause 2.B.

### 5. TERMINATION

### **Termination by either party**

5.A Either party may give at least seven Academy Financial Years' notice to terminate this Agreement. Such termination would take effect on 31 August of the relevant year.

### **Termination Warning Notice**

- 5.B The Secretary of State may serve a Termination Warning Notice where he considers that:
  - the Academy Trust has breached the provisions of this Agreement or the Master Agreement; or
  - b) the standards of performance of pupils at the Academy are unacceptably low; or
  - c) there has been a serious breakdown in the way the Academy is

- managed or governed; or
- the safety of pupils or staff is threatened, including due to breakdown of discipline; or
  - e) the Academy is Coasting provided he has notified the Academy Trust that it is Coasting.
- 5.C A Termination Warning Notice served under clause 5.B will specify:
  - a) the action the Academy Trust must take;
  - b) the date by which the action must be completed; and
  - the date by which the Academy Trust must make any representations,
     or confirm that it agrees to undertake the specified action.
- 5.D The Secretary of State will consider any representations from the Academy Trust which he receives by the date specified in the Termination Warning Notice. The Secretary of State may amend the Termination Warning Notice to specify further action which the Academy Trust must take, and the date by which it must be completed.
- 5.E If the Secretary of State considers that the Academy Trust has not responded to the Termination Warning Notice as specified under clause 5.C(c), or has not completed the action required in the Termination Warning Notice as specified under clauses 5.C(a) and (b) (and any further action specified under clause 5.D) he may serve a Termination Notice.

### Termination by the Secretary of State after inspection

- 5.F If the Chief Inspector gives notice to the Academy Trust that:
  - a) special measures are required to be taken in relation to the Academy;
     or
  - the Academy requires significant improvement
     the Secretary of State may serve a Termination Warning Notice, specifying

- the date by which the Academy Trust must make any representations.
- 5.G In deciding whether to give notice of his intention to terminate under clause
  5.F, the Secretary of State will have due regard to the overall performance of the Academy Trust.
- 5.G.1 Not used.
- 5.H If the Secretary of State has served a Termination Warning Notice under clause 5.F and:
  - a) has not received any representations from the Academy Trust by the date specified in the notice; or
  - b) having considered the representations made by the Academy Trust remains satisfied that this Agreement should be terminated;

he may serve a Termination Notice.

- 5.I If the Chief Inspector gives a notice referred to in clause 5.F to the Academy Trust within two years after the Academy opened, the Secretary of State may only serve a Termination Warning Notice under clause 5.F if:
  - the Chief Inspector has held a monitoring inspection under section 8 of the Education Act 2005 later than two years after the Academy opened; and
  - b) the Chief Inspector considers that the Academy is not making enough progress towards the removal of the designation referred to in his notice.

Nothing in this clause prevents or prejudices the Secretary of State exercising any other rights arising from or under this Agreement (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any rights under clauses 5.B to 5.E).

### **Termination by the Secretary of State**

5.J If the Secretary of State has determined that the Academy will be removed from the Register of Independent Schools and no appeal against that

determination is pending, he may serve a Termination Notice.

- 5.K Not used.
- 5.L Not used.
- 5.M Not used.
- 5.N Not used.
- 5.0 Not used.

### Funding and admission during notice period

- 5.P If the Secretary of State serves a Termination Notice under clause 5.A, the Academy Trust may continue during the notice period to admit pupils to the Academy, and to receive GAG and EAG, in accordance with this Agreement.
- 5.Q If the Secretary of State serves a Termination Warning Notice or a Termination Notice otherwise than under clause 5.A, the Academy Trust may continue during the notice period to admit pupils to the Academy (unless the Secretary of State specifies otherwise), and to receive GAG and EAG, in accordance with this Agreement.

### **Notice of intention to terminate by Academy Trust**

- 5.R The Secretary of State will, before the start of each Academy Financial Year, provide the Academy Trust with a final funding allocation indicating the level of GAG and EAG to be provided in the next Academy Financial Year (the "Funding Allocation").
- 5.S If the Academy Trust is of the opinion that, after receipt of the Funding Allocation for the next Academy Financial Year (the "Critical Year") and after taking into account all other resources likely to be available to the Academy, including other funds that are likely to be available to the Academy from other academies operated by the Academy Trust ("All Other Resources"), it is likely that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent (and for this reason only) then

- the Academy Trust may give written notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement on 31 August before the Critical Year.
- 5.T Any notice given by the Academy Trust under clause 5.S must be provided to the Secretary of State within six weeks of the Secretary of State issuing the Funding Allocation. The notice given by the Academy Trust under clause 5.S must specify:
  - the grounds upon which the Academy Trust's opinion is based, including:
    - i. evidence of those grounds;
    - ii. any professional accounting advice the Academy Trust has received;
    - iii. a detailed statement of steps which the Academy Trust proposes to take to ensure that the running costs of the Academy are reduced such that costs are less than the Funding Allocation and All Other Resources, and the period of time within which such steps will be taken; and
  - b) the shortfall in the Critical Year between the Funding Allocation and All Other Resources expected to be available to the Academy Trust to run the Academy and the projected expenditure on the Academy; and
  - c) a detailed budget of income and expenditure for the Academy during the Critical Year (the "**Projected Budget**").
- 5.U Both parties will use their best endeavours to agree whether or not the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent. Both parties recognise that they will need to engage in a constructive dialogue at the time about how best to provide education for the pupils at the Academy and use their best endeavours to agree a practical solution to the problem.
- 5.V If no agreement is reached by 30 April (or another date if agreed between the

parties) as to whether the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent, then that question will be referred to an independent expert (the "Expert") for resolution. The Expert's determination will be final and binding on both parties. The Expert will be requested to specify in his determination the amount of the shortfall in funding (the "Shortfall").

- 5.W The Expert will be an insolvency practitioner with significant professional experience of educational institutions or academies. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the Expert then the Expert will be appointed by the President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

  The Expert's fees will be borne equally between the parties.
- 5.X The Expert will be required in reaching his determination to take account of advice from an educational specialist who is professionally familiar with the issues arising from the budget management of schools. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the educational specialist then the educational specialist will be appointed by the Chairman of the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust (or any successor or equivalent body). The educational specialist's fees will be borne equally between the parties.
- 5.Y If the Expert determines that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Academy Trust to become insolvent, and the Secretary of State will not have agreed to provide sufficient additional funding to cover the Shortfall, then the Academy Trust will be entitled to terminate this Agreement, by notice expiring on 31 August before the Critical Year. Any such notice will be given within 21 days after (a) the Expert's determination will have been given to the parties or (b), if later, the Secretary of State will have given written notice of his refusal to provide sufficient additional funding for the Academy to cover the Shortfall.

### **Effect of termination**

5.Z If this Agreement is terminated, the Academy will cease to be an Academy within the meaning of sections 1 and 1A of the Academies Act 2010.

- 5.AA Subject to clauses 5.BB and 5.CC, if the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement under clause 5.A, he will indemnify the Academy Trust. If the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement otherwise than under clause 5.A, he may at his discretion indemnify or compensate the Academy Trust.
- 5.BB The amount of any such indemnity or compensation will be determined by the Secretary of State, having regard to representations made to him by the Academy Trust, and will be paid as and when the Secretary of State considers appropriate.
- 5.CC The categories of expenditure incurred by the Academy Trust in consequence of termination, for which the Secretary of State may indemnify the Academy Trust under clauses 5.AA, may include:
  - a) staff compensation and redundancy payments;
  - b) compensation payments in respect of broken contracts;
  - c) expenses of disposing of assets or adapting them for other purposes;
  - d) legal and other professional fees; and
  - e) dissolution expenses.
- 5.DD If this Agreement is terminated, and the Academy Trust owns capital assets which have been partly or wholly funded by HM Government, the Academy Trust must, as soon as possible after the termination date:
  - a) transfer a proportion of those capital assets, equal to the proportion of the original financial contribution made by HM Government, to a nominee of the Secretary of State to use for educational purposes; or
  - b) if the Secretary of State directs that a transfer under clause 5.DD(a) is not required, pay to the Secretary of State at the termination date (or, by agreement with the Secretary of State, at the date of their subsequent disposal) a sum equivalent to the proportion of the original financial contribution made by HM Government.

### 5.EE The Secretary of State may:

- Waive all or part of the repayment due under sub-clause 5.DD(b) if the Academy Trust obtains his permission to invest the sale proceeds for its charitable purposes; or
- b) direct the Academy Trust to pay all or part of the sale proceeds to the relevant LA.

### 6. OTHER CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS

### Annexes

6.A Any annexes to this Agreement form part of and are incorporated into this Agreement.

### **The Master Agreement**

6.B Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, all provisions of the Master Agreement have full force and effect.

### General

- 6.C The Academy Trust cannot assign this Agreement.
- 6.D Failure to exercise, or a delay in exercising, any right or remedy of the Secretary of State under this Agreement (including the right to terminate this Agreement), or a single or partial exercise of such a right or remedy, is not a waiver of, and does not prevent or restrict any initial or further exercise of, that or any other right or remedy.
- 6.E Termination of this Agreement will not affect the accrued rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of the parties existing at termination.
- 6.F This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall constitute a duplicate original, but all of which will together constitute the same agreement.
- 6.G This Agreement and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it

or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales, and submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

6.H Not used.

### **ANNEXES**

# 7. <u>ADMISSION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH EDUCATION,</u> <u>HEALTH AND CARE PLANS</u>

**"EHC plan**" means an Education, Health and Care plan made under section 37 of the Children and Families Act 2014.

7.A Except as set out in clause 8 below, the Children and Families Act 2014 imposes duties directly on Academies in respect of pupils with special educational needs, including the admission of pupils with EHC plans. If an Academy Trust considers that a LA should not have named the Academy in an EHC plan, it may ask the Secretary of State to determine whether the LA has acted unreasonably, and to make an order directing the LA to reconsider. The Academy Trust must admit the pupil if such a determination is pending. The Secretary of State's determination as to whether the LA acted unreasonably will be final, subject to any right of appeal which a parent of the pupil may have to the First Tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability) or the Upper Tribunal Administrative Appeals Chamber.

# 8. <u>ADMISSION OF CHILDREN WITH A STATEMENT OF SPECIAL</u> <u>EDUCATIONAL NEEDS</u>

(Clauses 8.A-8.G only apply where the pupil has a statement of special educational needs (SEN) rather than an EHC plan and where they therefore continue to be subject to the relevant provisions of the Education Act 1996. EHC plans are replacing statements of SEN but although all statements of SEN should have been converted to an EHC plan by the 1 April 2018 this clause is retained to protect pupils who still have a statement of special education need after this date. The detail on the drafting of a statement below is retained to protect pupils in exceptional circumstances.)

"Statement of SEN" means a statement made under section 324 of the Education Act 1996.

8.A The Academy Trust must admit all children with a Statement of SEN naming the Academy.

- 8.B The Academy Trust must have regard to the Special Educational Needs Code of practice 2001 when dealing with statements of SEN.
- 8.C Where the LA sends the Academy Trust a draft statement with a proposal that the Academy is named in the final statement, the Academy Trust must respond within 15 working days unless the time period falls within a school holiday that is longer than two weeks in which case the Academy Trust should respond within 15 working days of the end of the school holiday.
- 8.D In its response the Academy Trust must either:
  - a. consent to being named in the final statement or
  - b. explain why it believes that admitting the child would be incompatible with the provision of efficient education for other children and the efficient use of resources, including why no reasonable steps could secure compatibility. In doing so the Academy Trust must have regard to the relevant legislation and Code of Practice. If the LA does not agree with the Academy Trust's response, and names the Academy in the child's Statement of SEN, the Academy Trust must admit the child to the school as specified in the statement or otherwise by the LA. The final decision as to whether to name the Academy falls to the LA.
- 8.E If the Academy Trust considers that the LA should not have named the Academy in the statement of SEN, it may ask the Secretary of State to determine whether the LA has acted unreasonably, and to make an order directing the LA to reconsider. The Academy Trust must admit the pupil if such a determination is pending. The Secretary of State's determination will be final, subject only to any right of appeal which a parent of the child may have to the First-tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability) or the Upper Tribunal Administrative Appeals Chamber.
- 8.F If a parent of a child for whom the LA maintains a statement appeals to the First-tier Tribunal (Special Educational Needs and Disability) or the Upper Tribunal Administrative Appeals Chamber, either for or against the naming of

- the Academy in the child's statement, then the Tribunal's decision will be binding, even if it is different from that of the Secretary of State.
- 8.G Where it has been finally determined that the Academy be named in a child's Statement of SEN, the Academy Trust must admit the child to the Academy, notwithstanding any other admissions requirements in this Agreement.
- 8.H Clauses 8.A to 8.G only apply insofar as the relevant provisions of the Children and Families Act 2014 relating to SEN and disability do not apply to Academies and Free Schools.