

Statutory Proposal - Model B – Dissolution

PROPOSAL UNDER SECTION 51 (1) (C) OF THE FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION ACT 1992 (THE ACT) FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF THE FURTHER EDUCATION CORPORATION OF SOUTH EAST DERBYSHIRE COLLEGE UNDER SECTION 27 OF THE ACT

NAME OF THE FURTHER EDUCATION CORPORATION:

South East Derbyshire College

ADDRESS:

Field Road, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 5RS

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE EDUCATION PROVIDED AT THE INSTITUTION:

South East Derbyshire College is the largest provider of education and training to young people, adults and employers in the Amber Valley and Erewash local authority areas. Its main campus is located at Field Road, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 5RS with a satellite campus at Mundy Road, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7DZ.

The college provides education and training for both full and part-time learners. In 2007/08, South East Derbyshire College had 3,413 FE funded learners, 1,115 learners aged 16-18 and 2,298 learners aged 19+. In addition, the college had an average 80 Apprenticeships in learning across Level 2 and Level 3 programmes, 171 young people starting Entry to Employment programmes and 989 adult enrolments on Train to Gain programmes.

The college provides for vocational and academic programmes across the majority of sector subject areas from pre-entry to Level 4. Provision is particularly focussed in health, public services and care; construction; arts and media; preparation for life and work; business administration and law and engineering and manufacturing technologies.

REASONS FOR PROPOSING DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION:

The governing body of South East Derbyshire College is proposing to merge with Derby College. This would be achieved by the dissolution of the further education corporation of South East Derbyshire College and the transfer of its property, rights and liabilities to the further education corporation of Derby College. The governing body of Derby College is separately proposing to the Secretary of State that the name of the college be changed to Derbyshire College to reflect the changed nature of the college.

The principal reason advanced by the governors of the colleges in support of the proposal is to create a cost effective high quality general further education college which builds on the strengths of the two colleges. The merged college will also meet the changing needs of learners and support the developing local infrastructure and the regional economy. The merged college will aim to increase learner participation and success rates within the area – particularly

where there is significant under representation amongst identifiable groups of potential learners.

DATE PROPOSED FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION:

31 January 2010

EDUCATION PROVISION TO BE MADE FOR THOSE LEARNERS WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED THEIR PROGRAMMES ON THAT DATE:

Provision will be made for all students at South East Derbyshire College who have not completed their courses of study by the date of the dissolution to complete their studies within the merged college campuses in Ilkeston and Heanor.