

WH/RNM

1st February 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your support over the last twenty four hours; all of our community have appreciated it very much.

You may have seen comments from our MP Alec Shelbrooke on Facebook or on the media. Governors thought it would be helpful if they shared with you and you had the following clarity:

The Governors of Boston Spa have never had any aspiration to or put forward '*a plan to take over Wetherby High School relocating all kids to Boston Spa, and then move the sixth form provision out of Boston Spa*'. To suggest otherwise is disingenuous. Alec Shelbrooke should know that any such embryonic suggestion was prompted only at the request of the Regional Schools Commissioner and was not the position of Governors of Boston Spa Academy. The local authority objection was to our application to convert with The GORSE Academies Trust was submitted in May 2017, while their vision to close Boston Spa only shared with us verbally on 12th January 2018. Closing/Merging/Rebuilding are a local authority vision and not one shared by the Governors of Boston Spa Academy.

Thank you for your ongoing support, we will continue to keep you as well informed as we can.

Yours sincerely



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