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Letter to:

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Jennie Newman, ISL Area Manager, County Lead for SEN, Hertfordshire County Council
Emily White, Head of Estates, HCC

Dear Colleagues,

**Re: North Herts Education Support Centre & Stevenage Support Centre
PROPOSAL TO BEGIN CONSULTATION TO FEDERATE IN SEPTEMBER 2021**

The management committees of North Herts ESC and Stevenage ESC wish to notify members of Herts County Council and Herts for Learning that they intend to consult stakeholders concerning the federation of both schools as from 24th September 2021 and the consultation will

close on 14th November at midnight. Full guidance has been given by the management committee to all stakeholders and relevant information will be on both school websites.

If there is a positive response, it is the intention of both governing boards that the federation will be operational from the **1st January 2021** and one board will be established to govern both schools.

The Management Committees will remain the governance for the ESCs until the new Federation Committee is established. A collaboration committee has been set up to support and make recommendations to the ESCs and the committees with this process. They are being fully supported and advised by the Governance Team in Herts for Learning.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email: kathy.dunnett@hertsforlearning.co.uk
Kathy is the Governance Adviser supporting this process.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Flawn (Chair of Management Committee)
Stevenage Education Support Centre

Gordon Farquhar (Chair of Governors)
North Herts Education Support Centre

Dan Nearney, (Executive Headteacher)
Stevenage and North Herts Education Support Centres