

'INVITATION TO BID'

Notice is given in accordance with section 7(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that Kent County Council invites proposals to establish a new mainstream school.

It is proposed that the school should open on 1 September 2012.

The school will be situated within the Goat Lees estate, Ashford, which is situated adjacent to Trinity Road, Ashford, Kent. A single school site has been identified within the estate. The school will be built primarily to serve local residents on the estate and will seek to provide a high quality learning provision for this relatively new community. The majority of pupils to attend the new school will live within one mile of the development. It will be fully accessible and will increase the range of provision available to pupils with a physical disability and will admit pupils with special educational needs.

It is confirmed that the local education authority will transfer their interest in the site, buildings or premises to the school's trustees, foundation body, or governing body, as appropriate.

The new school should cater for pupils between the ages of 4 and 11 years and provide places for 210 boys and girls.

The admission number for the school on the opening date will be 30.

The estimated capital costs of providing the school are £3.5M.

The complete invitation notice states what information must be included in a proposal made in response to this published summary invitation notice. Copies of the complete invitation notice can be obtained by contacting David Adams, Area Children's Services Officer, at the address below, or from the website at: http://www.kent.gov.uk/education_and_learning/plans_and_consultations/consultations.aspx.

If you wish to submit a proposal in response to this invitation notice, it should be sent to: David Adams, Area Children's Services Officer, Kent County Council, Kroner House, Eurogate Business Park, Ashford, Kent TN24 8XU.

The deadline for receipt of proposals is 14 June 2010.

Signed: **Rosalind Turner** – Managing Director (Children, Families & Education)

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