



Education Act 2011

2011 CHAPTER 21

PART 6

ACADEMIES

Academy orders

56 Academies: consultation on conversion

For section 5 of AA 2010 (consultation on conversion), substitute—

“5 Consultation on conversion

- (1) Before a maintained school in England is converted into an Academy, there must be a consultation on the question of whether the conversion should take place.
- (2) The consultation may take place before or after an Academy order, or an application for an Academy order, has been made in respect of the school.
- (3) In the case of a school that is eligible for intervention (within the meaning of Part 4 of EIA 2006), the consultation may be carried out by—
 - (a) the school’s governing body, or
 - (b) a person with whom the Secretary of State proposes to enter into Academy arrangements in respect of the school or an educational institution that replaces it.
- (4) In any other case, the consultation must be carried out by the school’s governing body.
- (5) The consultation must seek the views of such persons as the person carrying it out thinks appropriate.
- (6) In the case of a federated school, references in this section to the governing body include references to any of the members of the governing body.”