



Rebuilding or
refurbishing
every secondary
school in
North East
Lincolnshire!

The Future of Learning in North East Lincolnshire

Building Schools for the Future
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— *Progressing with Pride: Raising the Secondary Standard* —



Building Schools for the Future

“BSF is the largest capital investment programme for 50 years and the biggest ever single investment in North East Lincolnshire”

Building Schools for the Future (BSF) is the biggest ever single investment into North East Lincolnshire. It will provide world-class teaching and learning environments for all pupils, teachers and communities and will see £120 million invested in North East Lincolnshire’s schools. Every secondary and special school in North East Lincolnshire will be refurbished or rebuilt with our first schools open in September 2012 and all schools due to be completed by September 2014.

The legacy of BSF will not be measured in bricks and mortar, but by our success in providing inspiring learning environments for 21st century learners and in raising aspirations and improving the life chances of young people and communities across North East Lincolnshire.

Through the BSF in North East Lincolnshire, the Council and its partners aim to:

Raise Educational Standards

Our new schools will provide us with further opportunities to:

- ◆ improve attendance and behaviour;
- ◆ offer inspiring environments for learning;
- ◆ improve personalised learning and use ICT to provide ‘anywhere-anytime’ learning;
- ◆ define new visions for learning and improve the inclusion of young people with learning difficulties and disabilities (LDD);
- ◆ reduce barriers within communities and improve communication between school and parent/carers;
- ◆ reduce the number of teenage parents in our community;
- ◆ reduce the number of young people that don’t enter further education, employment or training when they leave school.

Support Extended and Wider Services

Our schools will act as centres of local communities, offering extended services for at least 50 weeks per year. We will work closely with partners in leisure, tourism, libraries, the Care Trust Plus, Shoreline and the voluntary sector to discuss opportunities for offering local access to a wider range of services, making community hubs around some of our schools. Schools will be open in the evenings, weekends and holidays for a range of community activities.

Create Fit for Purpose School Environments

BSF investment in North East Lincolnshire will be used to plan and execute the rebuild or refurbishment of Whitgift, Healing, Mathew Humberstone, St Mary's, Humberston, Tollbar, Lindsey, Humberston Park, Cambridge Park and the Pupil Referral Unit.

We will create buildings that speak a different, more inspiring and engaging language to learners through better design, particularly of communal and social spaces, dining facilities, small group rooms and spaces for external agency support. We will enhance the sense of partnership in learning so that learners will experience ownership of their

school. Technology will be used to include and not alienate and we will focus on reducing the carbon footprints of our schools.

Link Plans with the Regeneration of the Borough

The Local Strategic Partnership has a long term vision which includes public spaces, streets, transport, employment, health, education, crime, housing and community well-being. This has now been enhanced by BSF and additional educational funding which includes:

- ♦ the development of a Learning Village including GIFHE, Franklin Sixth Form College and Hereford Technology School; which will include a university campus;
- ♦ three new “academies” which opened in their predecessor buildings in September 2007.

At the moment North East Lincolnshire's learning institutions deliver education in communities amongst the 20% most deprived nationally. We believe that BSF and other educational funding in the Borough can help to raise the educational aspiration often linked to socio-economic deprivation and improve the life chances of residents in our communities.





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How Can You Help?

Consultations with all stakeholders, especially young people, will help us to gauge changing needs and establish the levels of flexibility required from new learning spaces.

We hope to set up individual 'school community' stakeholder groups over the summer term. These groups will take on the role of ensuring effective consultation takes place within our communities. The groups will include school staff, parents, children, young people and other members of the local community and will offer opportunities to

give feedback to and ask questions of the BSF team.

We will also be offering many opportunities to find out about the development of the project through community events, visits to local groups, newsletters and interviews with the local press.

If you would like to get involved with the project through a local stakeholder group, or purely just have a question or an idea to put to the team, please contact us. Our details are below.

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