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Dear Staff and Parents,

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Thank you to everyone who engaged with the Federation Proposal Consultation, which ended on Friday 26th January 2024.

At a Full Governing Body Meeting of the Steam Mills and Woodside Primary Schools Federation, held on Monday 29th January 2024, governors considered the responses received from parents, staff, the Local Authority and the Department for Education which were overwhelmingly in support of the proposal to federate with Soudley Primary School. The governors agreed unanimously to proceed with the proposal to form The Forest Federation of Soudley, Steam Mills and Woodside Primary Schools.

At a meeting held the Governing Body of Soudley Primary School held on Tuesday 30th January 2024, their governors, after considering the responses they received during the consultation process, also unanimously approved the proposal to federate.

The next stage is for new Instrument of Government Documents to be drawn up by the Legal Department at Shire Hall. Once this has been done the existing Governing Bodies will be dissolved and a new single Governing Body for the three schools will be constituted. The proposed date for the formation of the new Governing body is 15th April 2024.

In preparation for this, elections will be held for one Staff Governor and two Parent Governors across the three schools and the appointment of one Governor by the Local Authority to take their place on the new Governing Body on the 15th of April.

Yours sincerely,

D. Wildin

Chair of Governors, The Steam Mills and Woodside Primary Schools Federation

Executive Head: Mrs M Davis

Executive Deputy Head: Mrs J Fawkes

Deputy Head at Steam Mills: Mrs J Thomas