New secondary school for Sutton

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Forecasts show that Sutton will need a significant increase in secondary school places over the coming years – including the building of a new secondary school.

All the secondary schools in the Borough, that make up the Partnership of Sutton Secondary Schools, have been working together with the local council to find the best way of providing the additional places needed.

Sutton Council predicts that 20 additional forms of entry will be required by 2017, and that this will require both the expansion of existing schools and the establishment of a new secondary school.

Under government rules, any new secondary school would have to be a sponsored academy or free school - Greenshaw is currently the only school in Sutton that has approved sponsor status with the DfE.

All Sutton secondary schools have joined together to state that their preferred option would be for the new school to be developed within the Partnership and sponsored by Greenshaw.

As a school sponsored by Greenshaw, the new school would be a non-selective, mixed school for local children; it would be separate from, but under the 'umbrella' of, Greenshaw.

Greenshaw governors and senior staff are carefully considering options and proposals that would ensure the successful establishment of the new school at the same time as continuing to maintain and improve standards at Greenshaw.