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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to thank you for your engagement during the recent consultation period regarding the proposed merger between Quantock Education Trust (QET) and Bridgwater and Taunton College Trust (BTCT), which ran from 3rd February to 17th March.

We are grateful for the thoughtful feedback, questions and reflections shared. Your contributions are important and will help to inform the next stage of our planning.

Whilst the formal engagement period has now closed, the Frequently Asked Questions document remains available on the Trust website, and you are still very welcome to share any further questions with us.

We are now working closely with the Department for Education, the Diocese and our legal advisers to agree the next steps, including timelines and key milestones. Whilst timelines are still being finalised, early indications suggest this may extend into Spring Term 2027. This provides the necessary time to plan thoroughly and implement the transition in a structured and well-considered way. We will share further updates as soon as these are confirmed.

In the meantime, please be assured that there are no changes to the day-to-day experience for your child. All schools will continue to operate as normal, with a clear focus on providing high-quality education for every pupil.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mark Thomas
CEO

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