

Statutory Proposal to Amalgamate Duncombe Primary School and Montem Primary School

Notice is given, in accordance with Section 15 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (as amended by the Education Act 2011) and the School Organisation (Establishment and Discontinuance of Schools) Regulations 2013, that Islington Council intends to discontinue Montem Primary School on 31 August 2024.

- **Name, address, and category of school proposed to be discontinued:** Montem Primary School, Hornsey Road, Finsbury Park, Islington N7 7QT
- **Date on which it is proposed to close the school:** 31 August 2024

Reason for closure of Montem Primary School

The proposal is due to a fall in pupil numbers and the associated impact on the future viability of the school. Duncombe and Montem Primary Schools have been acutely impacted by reduced pupil demand in the area.

The school organisation proposal is to amalgamate (merge) Duncombe and Montem Primary Schools, bringing together the identities and strengths of both schools under one roof.

The amalgamation would mean these schools merging to operate from a single site, enabling them to make the best use of the staff expertise, while securing the merged school's financial future.

Under the proposal, Duncombe Primary School would remain a two-form entry school. A maximum of 60 pupils would be admitted to Reception classes in the merged school from September 2024. All existing children would be offered a place within the merged school.

This notice is an extract from the full proposal, details of which are published online at <https://www.letstalk.islington.gov.uk/duncombe-and-montem>

Procedure for making representations (objections and comments)

Within four weeks from the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object or make comments on the proposal by:

Email: schoolconsult@islington.gov.uk

Post: Duncombe and Montem Proposal, Compton Room, Laycock Centre, Laycock Street, London N1 1TH

The closing date for responses is **Thursday, 21 March at 11.59pm**.