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Dear Stakeholders,

Notification of Significant Change:

Consultation on MLD Post-16 Resourced Provision for Students with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) at Co-op Academy Bebington

We invite you to participate in a formal consultation regarding the development of an enhanced Post-16 provision at Co-op Academy Bebington. This initiative aims to establish a Resourced Provision specifically designed to provide a high-quality and inclusive pathway for students with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs), with an MLD area of need.

Purpose of the Consultation

The purpose of this consultation is to gather insights from key stakeholders—including families, young people, staff, local authorities, and partner organisations—on our enhanced Post-16 offer. Your feedback will be instrumental in shaping a provision that not only meets our statutory responsibilities but also aligns with our trusts value of succeeding together.

Rationale for the Provision

At Co-op Academy Bebington, we acknowledge the increasing demand for tailored and sustainable post-16 pathways for learners with EHCPs. These students often encounter challenges in accessing further education and employment unless provisions are specifically adapted to meet their individual needs.

The proposed development will ensure that students with EHCPs with a primary need of MLD –and potentially from broader commissioning partners–will have access to:

- **Specialist Teaching and Support Staff:** Skilled professionals trained in Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and post-16 education, focusing on person-centred planning and outcomes.
- **Flexible Curriculum Models:** A blend of academic, vocational, and life skills qualifications tailored to individual aspirations.
- **Supported Transitions to Adulthood:** A strong emphasis on preparation for adulthood (PfA), including pathways to continued education and supported employment.
- **Collaboration with Local Authorities:** Ensuring appropriate placements and high-quality Annual Review processes aligned with desired outcomes.

Site Details

This provision will be integrated into our broader Sixth Form strategy, operating across our existing sites and utilising shared resources and expertise. A hub-based model will facilitate flexibility, tailored delivery, and clear progression routes working with our local further education providers.

Consultation Process

We warmly welcome your feedback on this proposal. The consultation period will run from Wednesday 22nd October to 26th November 2025.

You can provide your input in the following ways:

- **Email:** Send your views to bebi-school.office@coopacademies.co.uk
Subject: Post-16 EHCP Consultation
- **Arrange a Discussion:** To schedule a one-to-one meeting or phone call, please email the address above.

Next Steps

Following the consultation period, all feedback will be reviewed by the Co-op Academy Bebington Leadership Team alongside our SEND Trust Directors at the Co-op MAT. Your contributions will directly influence how this provision is developed from September 2026 onwards.

We are excited to take this significant step forward in creating a genuinely inclusive, high-quality Sixth Form offer that reflects the diverse strengths and needs of all young people in our community.

Many Thanks

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane Whisker". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mrs Jane Whisker
Head Teacher