

# Great Park Academy Proposed Development

## Planning Application Coming Soon

We are excited to let you know that a detailed planning application will soon be submitted for the development of Great Park Academy. The new school will be constructed on land to the north of Havannah First School.

## Background and Funding

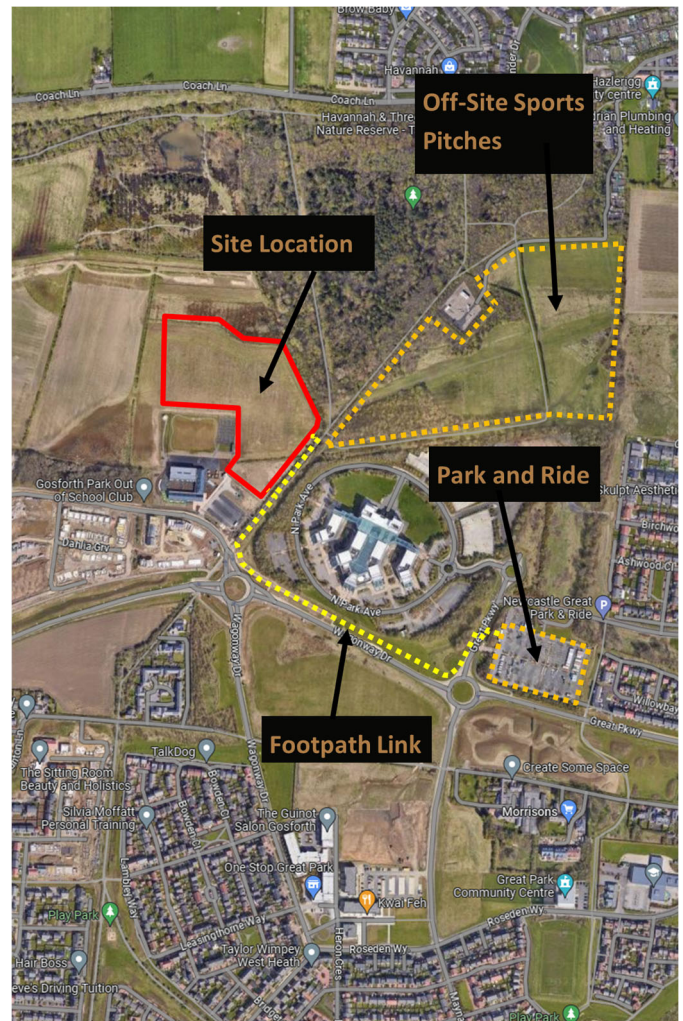
The construction of Great Park Academy is funded by the Department for Education as part of the Free Schools Programme. Galliford Try has been selected by the Department for Education to design and build the new school.

## Proposals

The proposed development includes a 3 storey teaching block and a 1.5 storey sports hall block which includes changing facilities.

The new school building will include a hall, library, laboratories, computer suites, classrooms, and dining space, providing cutting-edge learning facilities and resources for its pupils. The site will also accommodate outdoor sports facilities, new areas of landscaping and vehicle and cycle parking. The school intends that outside of school hours, local residents and clubs will be able to use the new school and sports facilities.

The new school is for pupils in Years 5 -11 and will have pedestrian and cycle access from the Wagonway which will be linked by a path to the Park and Ride on Great Parkway, and to the future off-site sports pitches that will be used by the school. Vehicular access for staff and visitors will be shared with Havannah First School from Wisteria Place.



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## Approach to Environmental Sustainability

The new school building will help to tackle climate change through minimising energy demand and using low carbon and renewable energy solutions. This will include solar panels on the roof. The scheme will also include enhanced landscape and woodland planting.

View our proposals online at: <https://www.greatparkacademy.org.uk/news-and-events/permanent-site-updates>

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## Have Your Say/ Drop in Event

At this pre-application stage, the development proposals can be viewed on the school's website and you can also contact Galliford Try and their design team if you have any queries or comments. Details are at the bottom of this page.

We are holding a **drop-in event at Havannah First School** for anyone who wants to find out more or would like to ask any questions about the proposals. The session will run from **4pm to 7pm on 19th July 2023**.

## Timescales/ Next Steps

We will likely be submitting the planning application in August 2023. Once the application has been submitted, it will be available to view and comment on online via Newcastle City Council's planning portal: <https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/planning-building-and-development/search-view-and-comment-planning-applications>

The school development is planned to be completed in the summer term 2025 and will be ready to open in September 2025.

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