

Multi Studio School Model

DATED 29 MAY. 2013

(1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION

(2) NORTHERN ACADEMIES TRUST

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**SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Re: The Studio-Liverpool**

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**THIS AGREEMENT** made 29 MAY. 2013

**BETWEEN**

(1) **THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION**; and

(2) **NORTHERN ACADEMIES TRUST ("the Company")**

IS SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE MASTER FUNDING AGREEMENT made between the Secretary for Children, Schools and Families and the Company dated 22 July 2005, as subsequently amended by the Deed of Variation dated 17 MAY 2013 (the "**Master Agreement**").

1 **DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

1.1 Except as expressly provided in this Agreement words and expressions defined in the Master Agreement shall have the same meanings in this Agreement as were ascribed to them in the Master Agreement.

1.2 The following words and expressions shall have the following meanings:

"the Academy" means the Studio School and is called The Studio-Liverpool and is to be established at 41-51 Greenland Street, Liverpool, L1 OBS;

"Chief Inspector" means Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills or his successor;

"Insured Risks" means fire, lightning, explosion, earthquake, storm, tempest, flood, subsidence, landslip, heave, impact, terrorism, bursting or overflowing of water tanks and pipes, earthquake damage by aircraft and other aerial devices or articles dropped there from, riot and civil commotion, labour disturbance and malicious damage and such other risks as the Company insures against from time to time, subject in all

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cases to any exclusions or limitations as may from time to time be imposed by the insurers or underwriters;

“the Land” means the land (including for the avoidance of doubt all buildings, structures landscaping and other erections) to be held under the Lease, being the second, third and fourth floor premises at 41-51 Greenland Street, Liverpool, L1 OBS making up the permanent site of the Academy or the part of such land remaining in the ownership of the Company, following any disposal in accordance with clause 10I(c)ii or clause 10K;

“the Lease” means the leasehold agreement between the Company and any third party in respect of the site upon which the Academy is situated;

“Start-up period” means up to a maximum of 2 Academy Financial Years and covers the period up to and including the first Academy Financial Year in which all age groups are present at the Academy (that is, all the pupil cohorts relevant to the age-range of the Academy will have some pupils present).

- 1.3 Reference in this Agreement to clauses and Annexes shall, unless otherwise stated, be to clauses and annexes of this Agreement.
- 1.4 Clauses 102, 52, 74a, 75 and 43-54 inclusive of the Master Agreement shall not apply to the Academy.

## 2 **THE ACADEMY**

- 2.1 The Company will establish and maintain, and carry on or provide for the carrying on of the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement and this Agreement.
- 2.2 The curriculum provided by the Academy to pupils up to the age of 16 shall be broad and balanced and include an emphasis on obtaining employability skills through project based learning.

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- 2.3 The requirements for the admission of pupils to the Academy are set out at **Annex 1**.

### **ACADEMY OPENING DATE**

- 2.4 The Academy shall open as a school on 1 September 2013. The planned capacity of the Academy is 300 in the age range 14-19, including a sixth form of 150 places.

### **FURTHER CONDITIONS OF GRANT**

- 2.5 Further to the conditions and requirements of grant which apply to the Academy by virtue of clause 13 of the Master Agreement, the following conditions and requirements shall also apply in relation to the Academy:

(a) there will be an emphasis on the needs of the individual pupils and where appropriate personal coaches will contribute to the needs of the individual pupils including pupils with special educational needs (SEN), both those with and without statements of SEN.

(b) the school will, as far as is reasonably practicable, arrange for pupils to gain meaningful experience of work by securing access of up to four hours per week work experience for pupils in years 10 and 11 and of up to twelve hours per week paid work for pupils in years 12 and 13; and

(c) there will be an emphasis on obtaining employability skills through project based learning.

- 2.5A The Company shall ensure that principles are promoted at the Academy which support fundamental British values, including: respect for the basis on which the law is made and applied in England; respect for democracy and support for participation in the democratic processes; support for equality of opportunity for all; support and respect for the



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liberties of all within the law; and respect for and tolerance of different faiths and religious and other beliefs.

- 2.5B The Company shall make provision for the teaching at the Academy of evolution as a comprehensive, coherent and extensively evidenced theory. 2.5C The Company shall not, in respect of the Academy, make provision in the context of any subject for the teaching, as an evidence-based view or theory, of any view or theory that is contrary to established scientific and/or historical evidence and explanations.

### SAFEGUARDING

- 2.6 (i) The Academy will abide by the requirements of and have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State on
- (a) safeguarding, in particular that contained in the guidance document entitled "Safeguarding Children and Safer Recruitment in Education", as amended from time to time; and
  - (b) the employment and work placement/work experience opportunities for pupils, in particular that contained in the document entitled "Guidance on the Employment of Children", as amended from time to time

2.6 (ii) The Academy will take appropriate steps to ensure that any employment and work placement/work experience opportunities for pupils are suitable, so as to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of pupils whilst employed or on work placement/work experience either on or off the school premises.

### 3 CAPITAL GRANT

- 3.1 Pursuant to clause 35 of the Master Funding Agreement, the Secretary of State may, in his absolute discretion provide Capital Expenditure funding in accordance with any arrangements he considers appropriate.

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### 4 **GAG AND EAG**

- 4.1 The Secretary of State agrees to pay EAG to the Company in relation to the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement.
- 4.2 The Secretary of State agrees to pay GAG to the Company in relation to the Academy in accordance with the Master Agreement, save that in respect of the Academy, Clauses 43 to 54 (inclusive) of the Master Agreement will not apply.
- 4.3 Subject to clauses 4.10 and 4.11, GAG for each Academy Financial Year for the Academy will include:
  - 4.3.1. Funding equivalent to that which would be received by a maintained school with similar characteristics, determined by the Secretary of State and notified in the Annual Letter of Funding or its equivalent, taking account of the number of pupils at the Academy;
  - 4.3.2. Funding for the cost of functions which would be carried out by the local authority if the Academy were a maintained school, such funding to be determined at the discretion of the Secretary of State;
  - 4.3.3. Funding for matters for which it is necessary for the Academy to incur extra costs, to the extent that those costs are deemed in the discretion of the Secretary of State to be necessary; and
  - 4.3.4. Payments equivalent to further, specific grants made available to maintained schools, where the Academy meets the requisite conditions and criteria necessary for a maintained school to receive these grants, such payments to be at the discretion of the Secretary of State.
- 4.4 Subject to clause 4.6, the basis of the pupil number count for the purposes of determining GAG for an Academy Financial Year will be

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the Company's most recent estimate provided in accordance with clause 4.5.

- 4.5 The Secretary of State shall in advance of each Academy Financial Year for the Academy, at such time or times as he shall determine, request that the Company provides an estimate of the number of pupils on roll in the following September for the Academy for the purposes of determining GAG for an Academy Financial Year, and the Company shall provide the requested estimate (such estimate to be based on an objective assessment of numbers) to the Secretary of State as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 4.6 Once the condition specified in clause 4.7 has been satisfied with respect to the Academy for the Academy Financial Year for which funding is being calculated, the basis of the pupil number count for the purpose of determining GAG for the Academy will be:
- a) for the pupil number count for pupils in Year 11 and below, the Schools Census for the relevant month (determined at the discretion of the Secretary of State) preceding the Academy Financial Year in question; and
  - b) for the pupil number count for pupils in Year 12 and above, the formula which for the time being is in use for maintained schools for the calculation of pupil numbers for pupils in Year 12 and above for the purpose of calculating their level of funding.
- 4.7 For the purpose of clause 4.6, the condition is satisfied 3 Academy Financial Years after the Academy opening date.
- 4.8 For any Academy Financial Year in which GAG for the Academy has been calculated in accordance with clauses 4.4 and 4.5, an adjustment may be made to the following Academy Financial Year's formula funding element of GAG for the Academy to recognise any variation from that estimate. The Secretary of State may for the purpose of

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calculating any adjustment to the formula funding element of GAG under this clause, use the Census for the relevant month (determined at the discretion of the Secretary of State) for the Academy Financial Year in question as a means of determining pupil numbers in an Academy Financial Year. The additional or clawed-back grant will be only that amount relevant to the number of pupils above or below that estimate.

- 4.9 For any Academy Financial Year in which GAG for the Academy is calculated in accordance with clause 4.6, no adjustment will be made to the equivalence funding element in the following Academy Financial Year's equivalence funding element of GAG unless the Academy Trust demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State that there has been a significant impact on balances. For any other element of GAG the Secretary of State may make adjustments to recognise a variation in pupil numbers from that used to calculate the element of grant in question; the basis of these will be set out in the Annual Letter of Funding or its equivalent.
- 4.10 The Secretary of State may pay further grant in the Start-up period, as determined and specified by him, for costs which cannot otherwise be met from GAG.
- 4.11 The Secretary of State recognises that if he serves notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement, the intake of new pupils during the notice period is likely to decline and that in such circumstances payments based simply upon the number of pupils attending the Academy are unlikely to be sufficient to meet the Academy's needs during the notice period. In those circumstances, the Secretary of State may undertake to pay a reasonable and appropriately larger GAG with respect to the Academy in the notice period than would be justified solely on the basis of the methods set out in clauses 4.2 to 4.8 of this Agreement and in order to enable the Academy to operate effectively.

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- 4.12 Notwithstanding Clause 73 of the Master Agreement any additional grant provided over and above that set out in clauses clause 4.3 to 4.9, of this Agreement, and made in accordance with clauses 4.10 or 4.11 of this Agreement may be carried forward without limitation or deduction until the Start-up period or the circumstances set out in clause 4.11 come to an end.
- 4.13 Any unspent GAG allowed to be carried forward under Clause 73 of the Master Agreement or clause 4.12 of this Agreement will be taken into account in the payment of subsequent grant.

### 4A **ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

4A.1 Not Used

4A.2 Not Used

### 4B **LEASE**

- 4B.1 If the Company is in material breach of the provisions of the Lease or if it is reasonably foreseeable that the Company will be in material breach of the Lease, the Company shall forthwith give written notice to the Secretary of State specifying the exact nature of the material breach or reasonably foreseeable material breach and such notice shall set out the steps taken or to be taken by the Company to remedy the material breach or reasonably foreseeable material breach and, where appropriate, shall include the timescales relating to any remedial action.
- 4B.2 The Company will at its own cost provide all information reasonably required by the Secretary of State in respect of any material breach or reasonably foreseeable material breach.
- 4B.3 Following the receipt by the Secretary of State of the written notice under clause 4B.1, the Company shall permit the Secretary of State to take all such steps in conjunction with or instead of the Company as

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may be necessary to remedy or prevent the material breach referred to in the said notice. The Company shall, in such circumstances, use its best endeavours to assist the Secretary of State to remedy or prevent such material breach.

4B.4 The Company shall, within 14 days of receiving any order, notice, proposal, demand or any other requirement materially affecting the ability of the Company to use the Land for the purposes of the Academy from any competent authority (including the Landlord), give full particulars by written notice to the Secretary of State and deliver to the Secretary of State copies of such documents as he may require. Such notice shall state what steps, if any actions are required, the Company intends to take in response to the order, notice, proposal, demand or other requirement affecting the Land.

4B.5 The Company will at its own cost provide all information reasonably required by the Secretary of State in respect of an order, notice, proposal, demand or any other requirement affecting the Land as referred to in clause 4B.3.1.

4B.6 Following the receipt by the Secretary of State of the written notice under clause 4B.4, the Company shall permit the Secretary of State to take all steps in conjunction with or instead of the Company as may be necessary to comply with any order, notice, proposal, demand or other requirement affecting the Land referred to in the said notice. The Company shall, in such circumstances, use all reasonable endeavours to assist the Secretary of State to take the appropriate required steps.

### 4C **FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING REQUIREMENTS**

4C.1 If the Secretary of State pays grant not including GAG to the Company on condition either that such grant be used for a particular purpose or purposes or that such grant be used by a certain date, any failure on the part of the Company to use such grant for such a purpose or purposes or by such date may be taken into account by the Secretary

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of State either:

- (i) in the same Academy Financial Year that such grant is paid to the Company; or
- (ii) in the calculation and/or payment of any subsequent grant to the company ; or
- (iii) by an adjustment to the GAG paid by the Secretary of State to the Company in the following Academy Financial Year or Academy Financial Years.

4C.2 If the Secretary of State or his agents pay any grant to the Company which includes an amount to cover the VAT which will be payable by the Company in using any such grant for the purposes intended, the Company shall, having paid the VAT to a third party for any goods or services it has purchased from such a third party, where entitled, promptly and, in any event, as soon as is reasonably practicable, submit a VAT reclaim application to Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) in respect of such VAT payment. Any failure, on the part of the Company, to submit a VAT reclaim application to HMRC or repay the amount recouped to the Secretary of State as soon as reasonably practicable following the receipt of any such payment from HMRC may be taken into account by the Secretary of State either:

- (a) in the same Academy Financial Year that any such grant is paid to the Company; or
- (b) in the calculation and/or payment of any subsequent grant to the Company; or
- (c) by an adjustment to the GAG paid by the Secretary of State to the Company in the following Academy Financial Year or Academy Financial Years.



- 4.C.3 The Company shall abide by the requirements of and have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance CC9: Speaking Out, Campaigning and Political Activities by Charities, as amended from time to time. Any references in such guidance which require charity trustees to report to the Charity Commission should instead be interpreted as references to report to the Principal Regulator.

5 **TERMINATION**

- 5.1 Either party may give not less than seven Academy Financial Years' written notice to terminate this Agreement, such notice to expire on 31 August 2020 or any subsequent anniversary of that date.

**Notice of Intention to Terminate by the Company**

- 5.2 The Secretary of State shall, at a date preceding the start of each Academy Financial Year, provide to the Company an indication of the level of funding to be provided by the Secretary of State to the Company by way of GAG and EAG in the next following Academy Financial Year (the "**Indicative Funding**"). If the Company is of the opinion that, after receipt of the Indicative Funding for the next following Academy Financial Year (the "**Critical Year**") and of the taking into account all other resources available and likely to be available to the Academy, including such funds as are set out in clause 73 of the Master Agreement and such other funds as are and likely to be available to the Academy from other academies operated by the Company ("**All Other Resources**"), it is likely that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding, to become insolvent (and for this reason only) then the Company may give notice of its intention to terminate this Agreement at the end of the then current Academy Financial Year.
- 5.3 Any notice given by the Company under clause 5.2 shall be in writing and shall be served on the Secretary of State not later than 28



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February preceding the Critical Year or, if the Secretary of State shall not have given notice of the Indicative Funding to the Company on or before the date specified in clause 5.2 above, within six weeks after the Secretary of State shall have done so. The notice must specify:

- 5.3.1. the grounds upon which the Company's opinion is based and include the evidence of those grounds and any professional accounting advice the Company has received and including a detailed statement of steps which the Company proposes to take with a view to ensuring that as soon as reasonably practicable the costs of running the Academy are reduced sufficiently to ensure that such costs are less than the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources and the period of time within which such steps will be taken; and
  - 5.3.2. the shortfall in the Critical Year between the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources expected to be available to the Company to run the Academy and the projected expenditure on the Academy; and
  - 5.3.3. a detailed budget of income and expenditure for the Academy during the Critical Year (the "**Projected Budget**").
- 5.4 Both parties undertake to use their best endeavours to agree whether or not the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources, to become insolvent. Both parties recognise that they will need to engage in a constructive dialogue at the time about how best to provide education for the pupils at the Academy and undertake to use their best endeavours to agree a practical solution to the problem.
- 5.5 If no agreement is reached by 30 April (or such other date as may be agreed between the parties) as to whether the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year on the basis of the Indicative Funding

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and All Other Resources would cause the Company to become insolvent, then that question shall be referred to an independent expert (the "**Expert**") for resolution. The Expert's determination shall be final and binding on both parties. The Expert shall be requested to specify in his determination the amount of the shortfall in funding (the "**Shortfall**"). The Expert shall be an insolvency practitioner with significant professional experience of educational institutions or academies. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the Expert then the Expert shall be appointed by the President for the time being of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The Expert's fees shall be borne equally between the parties.

- 5.6 The Expert shall be required in reaching his determination to take account of advice from an educational specialist who is professionally familiar with the issues arising from the budget management of large schools. If the parties fail to agree upon the appointment of the educational specialist then the educational specialist shall be appointed by the Chairman for the time being of the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust. The educational specialist's fees shall be borne equally between the parties.
- 5.7 If the Expert determines that the cost of running the Academy during the Critical Year would cause the Company, on the basis of the Indicative Funding and All Other Resources, to become insolvent, and the Secretary of State shall not have agreed to provide sufficient additional funding to cover the Shortfall, then the Company shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement, by notice expiring on 31 August prior to the Critical Year. Any such notice shall be given within 21 days after (a) the Expert's determination shall have been given to the parties or (b), if later, the Secretary of State shall have given written notice of his refusal to provide sufficient additional funding for the Academy to cover the Shortfall.

### **Termination Warning Notice**

5.7A The Secretary of State shall be entitled to issue to the Company a written notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement ("Termination Warning Notice") where he considers that:

- a) the Academy is no longer meeting the requirements set out in clause 12 of the Master Agreement (subject to clause 5.11);
- b) the conditions and requirements set out in clauses 2.2, 2.3, 2.5, 2.5A, 2.5B, 2.6(i) and 2.6(ii) of this Agreement and clauses 13-34B of the Master Agreement (where applicable to a Mainstream Academy ) are no longer being met;
- c) the standards of performance of pupils at the Academy are unacceptably low;
- d) there has been a serious breakdown in the way the Academy is managed or governed;
- e) the safety of pupils is threatened (whether by breakdown of discipline or otherwise); or
- f) the Company is otherwise in material breach of the provisions of this Agreement.

5.7B A Termination Warning Notice issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with clause 5.7A shall specify:

- a) reasons for the Secretary of State's issue of the Termination Warning Notice;
- b) the remedial measures which the Secretary of State requires the Company to carry out, with associated deadlines, in order to rectify the defaults identified ("Specified Remedial Measures"); and;
- c) the date by which the Company must respond to the Termination

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Warning Notice providing its representations with regard thereto and/or confirm that it accepts and agrees to undertake the Specified Remedial Measures.

5.7C The Secretary of State shall consider any response and representations from the Company which are received by the date specified in accordance with clause 5.7B c) and shall, within three months of receipt, confirm whether he considers that:

- a) in light of the Company's representations in response to the Termination Warning Notice, some or all of the Specified Remedial Measures are not required to be implemented (and if so which) and/or the Specified Remedial Measures are being or will be implemented with the specified timeframe; or
- b) subject to any further measures he reasonably requires ("Further Remedial Measures") being implemented by a specified date or any evidence he requires being provided, the implementation of such measures has been or will be successfully completed within the specified timeframes; or
- c) he is not satisfied that the Company will rectify the defaults identified in the Termination Warning Notice. (In such circumstances, the Secretary of State may notify the Company of his intention to terminate the Agreement on a specified date.)

5.7D The Secretary of State may by notice in writing terminate this Agreement with effect from a specified date specified in the Termination Warning Notice in the event that:

- a) the Company has not by the date specified in clause 5.7 B c) responded to the Termination Warning Notice either confirming that it accepts and agrees to undertake the Specified Remedial Measures or providing its representations with regard to the Specified Remedial Measures; or

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b) the Company has not carried out the Specified Remedial Measures and/or Further Remedial Measures within the specified timeframes;

provided that having considered any representations made by the Company pursuant to clause 5.7B c), the Secretary of State remains satisfied that it is appropriate to terminate the Agreement

### **Notice of Intention to Terminate**

5.7E The Secretary of State may at any time give written notice of his intention to terminate the Agreement where the Chief Inspector gives notice to the Company in accordance with section 13(3) of the Education Act 2005 stating that in the Chief Inspector's opinion –

(a) special measures are required to be taken in relation to the Academy;

or

(b) the Academy requires significant improvement.

5.7F Any notice issued by the Secretary of State in accordance with clause 5.7E shall invite the Company to respond with any representations within a specified timeframe.

5.7G Where the Secretary of State has given notice of his intention to terminate this Agreement in accordance with clauses 5.7E and 5.7F and –

(a) he has not received any representations from the Company within the timeframe specified in clause 5.7F; or

(b) having considered the representations made by the Company pursuant to clause 5.7F, the Secretary of State remains satisfied that it is appropriate to terminate this Agreement

he may by notice in writing terminate this Agreement, such termination to take effect from the date of the notice.

**Termination with Immediate Effect**

5.8 Not used.

5.9 If at any time after the signing of this Agreement but prior to the Academy opening date, the Secretary of State is of the view that:

1. the Academy would, on opening, provide an unacceptably low standard of education; or
2. the safety of pupils or staff at the Academy would, on opening, be threatened; or
3. the staff employed at the Academy are unsuitable;
4. there is a serious breakdown in the way the Company is being managed or governed; or
5. the buildings and other structures on the Land are unsuitable or the Company has not obtained Building Regulation approval;

he may in writing either:

- (a) require the Company (i) not to open the Academy; and/or (ii) not to admit pupils of a particular age range, to be determined by the Secretary of State; and/or (iii) not to use any building or other structure on the Land until such time as the relevant matter or matters listed in 1. to 5. above has or have been resolved to the Secretary of State's satisfaction; or
- (b) terminate this Agreement by notice in writing to the Company such termination to take effect on the date of the notice.

5.10 If the Company has not entered into the Lease by 1 June 2013 the Secretary of State may terminate this Agreement by notice in writing to the Company such termination to take effect on the date of the notice.

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- 5.11 If the Secretary of State has cause to serve a notice on the Company under section 165 of the Education Act 2002 and a determination (from which all rights of appeal have been exhausted) has been made that the Academy shall be struck off the Register of Independent Schools, he may terminate this Agreement by notice in writing to the Company such termination to take effect on the date of the notice.

### 6 **EFFECT OF TERMINATION**

- 6.1 In the event of termination of this Agreement however occurring, the school shall cease to be an Academy within the meaning of Sections 1 and 1A of the Academies Act 2010.
- 6.2 Subject to clause 6.3 and 6.4, if the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement pursuant to clause 5.1 of this Agreement, the Secretary of State shall indemnify the Company. If the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement other than pursuant to clause 5.1 of this Agreement, the Secretary of State may in his absolute discretion indemnify or (to such extent if any as he may in his absolute discretion consider appropriate) compensate the Company.
- 6.3 The amount of any such indemnity or compensation shall be determined by the Secretary of State having regard to any representations made to him by the Company, and shall be paid at such times and in such manner as the Secretary of State may reasonably think fit.
- 6.4 The categories of expenditure incurred by the Company in consequence of the termination of the Agreement in respect of which the Secretary of State shall (where the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement pursuant to clause 5.1) indemnify the Company and may (where the Secretary of State terminates this Agreement otherwise than pursuant to clause 5.1) in his absolute discretion indemnify or compensate the Company include (but not by way of limitation), staff compensation and redundancy payments,



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compensation payments in respect of broken contracts, expenses of disposing of assets or adapting them for other purposes, legal and other professional fees, and dissolution expenses.

6.5 Subject to clause 6.6, on the termination of this Agreement however occurring, the Company shall in respect of any of its capital assets at the date of termination:

(a) promptly transfer a proportion of the assets to a person nominated by the Secretary of State, if the Secretary of State considers that all or some of those assets need to be used for any educational purpose by that nominee. The proportion of the assets to be transferred shall be the same as the proportion of the capital contribution made by the Secretary of State to the original value of those assets, whether that contribution was made on the establishment of the Academy or later; or

(b) if the Secretary of State confirms that a transfer under clause 6.5(a) is not required, promptly repay to the Secretary of State a sum equivalent to the percentage of the value of the assets at the date of termination, or, by agreement with the Secretary of State, at the date of subsequent disposal of those assets. Such percentage to be the same as the percentage of the capital contribution made by the Secretary of State to the original value of those assets, whether that contribution was made on the establishment of the Academy or later.

6.6 The Secretary of State may waive in whole or in part the repayment due under clause 6.5(b) if:

a) The Company obtains his permission to invest the proceeds of sale for its charitable objects; or

b) The Secretary of State directs all or part of the repayment to be paid to the L A.



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- 6.7 The sale or disposal by other means of publicly funded land held for the purposes of an Academy is now governed by Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the Academies Act 2010.

### 7 **ANNEX**

- 7.1 The Annex to this Agreement forms part of and is incorporated into this Agreement.

### 8 **GENERAL**

- 8.1 This Agreement shall not be assignable by the Company.
- 8.2 No delay, neglect or forbearance on the part of the Secretary of State in enforcing (in whole or in part) any provision of this Agreement or in exercising (in whole or in part) any right conferred on him by this Agreement shall be or be deemed to be a waiver of such provision or right or a waiver of any other provision or right or shall in any way prejudice any right of the Secretary of State under this Agreement or shall amount to an election not to enforce such provision or exercise such right (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any right to terminate this Agreement).
- 8.3 Termination of this agreement, for any reason, shall not affect the accrued rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities of the parties existing at termination.
- 8.4 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall constitute a duplicate original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute the one agreement.
- ### 9. **THE MASTER AGREEMENT**
- 9.1 Except as expressly provided in this Agreement the Master Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

**10. ENGLISH LAW**

- 10.1 This Agreement and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England and Wales.
- 10.2 The parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with this agreement or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

**LAND ARRANGEMENTS**

10A) Not Used

**Restrictions on Land transfer**

- 10B) In consideration that it has or will be obtaining a legal interest in the Land, the Company:
- a) shall, within 28 days from the acquisition of the legal interest in the Land or the signing of this Agreement, whichever is the latter, apply to the Land Registry for restrictions in the proprietorship register (under section 43(1)(a) of the Land Registration Act 2002 in Form RX1 as prescribed by Rule 91 and Schedule 4 of the Land Registration Rules 2003) ('LRR 2003') in the following terms:

*No disposition of the registered estate by the proprietor of the registered estate to which sections 117-121 or section 124 of the Charities Act 2011 applies is to be registered unless the instrument contains a certificate complying with section 122(3) or section 125(2) of that Act, as appropriate.*

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*No disposition of the registered estate by the proprietor of the registered estate is to be registered without a written consent signed by the Secretary of State for Education of Sanctuary Buildings, Great Smith Street, London SW1P.<sup>1</sup>*

- b) shall take any further steps reasonably required to ensure that the restriction referred to in clause 10B(a) is entered on the proprietorship register,
- c) shall provide the Secretary of State with confirmation of the entry of the restriction[s] referred to in clause 10B(a) as soon as reasonably practicable after it receives notification from the Land Registry,
- d) in the event that it has not registered the restriction referred to in clause 10B(a), hereby consents to the entering of the restriction referred to in 10B(a) in the register by the Secretary of State (under s. 43(1)(b) of the Land Registration Act 2002); and
- e) shall not, without the consent of the Secretary of State, apply to dis-apply, modify or remove (by cancellation or otherwise) a restriction entered in accordance with clause 10B(a) or 10B(d) above, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Company.

### **Obligations of the Company**

10C) (i) The Company shall keep the Land clean and tidy and make good any damage it causes to the Land and / or any deterioration to the condition of the Land that may arise from the date of this Agreement, save that the Company

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<sup>1</sup> These restrictions should be registered against the title if the Company is a non-exempt charity at the time of entry into the lease / acquisition of the land.

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shall ensure that any actions undertaken in compliance with this clause shall be consistent with the terms of the Lease. In compliance with this clause, the Company shall not do or cause or permit to be done anything to lessen the value or marketability of the Land save with the express written consent of the Secretary of State.

10C)(ii) The Company shall observe and comply with its obligations under the Lease and shall promptly enforce its rights against the Landlord.

10C)(iii) The Company agrees it shall seek and obtain the prior written consent of the Secretary of State, not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed before taking any steps to:

- a) terminate, vary, surrender or dispose of the Lease, including, for the avoidance of doubt, serving a Break Notice (as defined in the Lease) ;  
and / or
- b) grant any consent or licence in respect of the Land or any part of it;  
and / or
- c) create or permit to arise or continue any encumbrance affecting the Land or any part of it; and / or
- d) part with or share possession or occupation of the Land or any part of it; and / or
- e) enter into any onerous or restrictive obligations affecting the Land or any part of it.

10C) iv) The Company agrees that prior to taking any steps, including but not limited to the service of any notice or waiver of any condition, under any contractual arrangement entered into in respect of the acquisition of the legal interest in the Land, it shall seek and obtain the written consent of the Secretary of State, not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

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### Insurance

10D) The Company shall, save where the terms of the Lease provide for the Landlord to obtain insurance in respect of the Land:-

- a) keep the Land insured as in accordance with the terms of the Lease and in any event with a reputable insurance office against loss or damage by the Insured Risks in the sum the Company is advised represents the reinstatement value of the Land from time to time;
- b) pay the premiums for insurance promptly as they become due and maintain in force the policies of insurance on the Land;
- c) following the incidence of damage to or destruction of the Land and subject to receipt of all necessary consents licences permissions and the like apply the proceeds of the policy of the insurance received for those purposes in rebuilding and reinstating the Land (provided that this clause should be satisfied if the Company provides premises not necessarily identical to the Land as the same existing prior to such damage or destruction occurring) as soon as may be reasonably practicable;
- d) produce to the Secretary of State a copy of the insurance policy whenever reasonably requested and the receipt for the last premium or other evidence of renewal and up to date details of the amount of cover (but no more often than once in any period of 12 months in both cases);
- e) not knowingly do anything whereby any policy of insurance relating to the Land may become void or voidable.
- f) insure against liability in respect of property owners' and third party risks including occupier's liability.

**Transfer of Land**

10E) In consideration that it has or will be obtaining a legal interest in the Land, the Company hereby grants and the Secretary of State hereby accepts an option, exercisable by the Secretary of State or his nominee, to acquire the said Land or any part thereof at nil consideration. The option hereby granted shall be exercisable (by notice in writing by or on behalf of the Secretary of State) on the termination of this Agreement for whatever cause or in circumstances where the Company is unable to use all or part of the Land as the permanent site of the Academy in accordance with clauses 10H or 10K. On the exercise of this option, the Law Society's Standard Conditions of Sale for Commercial Property in force at the date of such exercise shall apply to the transaction and completion shall take place 28 days after such exercise.

10F) In consideration that it has or will be obtaining a legal interest in the Land, the Company:

a) shall, within 14 days from the transfer to it of the Land or the signing of this Agreement, whichever is the latter, apply to the Land Registry in Form AN1 as prescribed by Rule 81 of the Land Registration Rules 2003 for a notice to be entered in the register (under section 34(3)(a) of the Land Registration Act 2002) to protect the option granted under clause 10E and including a copy of this Agreement as evidence of that option,

b) shall take any further steps required to ensure that the notice referred to in clause 10F(a) is entered on the proprietorship register,

c) shall provide the Secretary of State with confirmation of the entry of the notice referred to in clause 10F(a) as soon as practicable after it receives notification from the Land Registry,

d) in the event that it has not registered the notice referred to in clause 10F(a), hereby consents to the entering of the notice referred to

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in 10F(a) in the register by the Secretary of State (by application in Form UN1 under s. 34(3)(b) of the Land Registration Act 2002),

e) shall not, without the consent of the Secretary of State, apply to dis-apply, modify or remove (by cancellation or otherwise) a notice entered in accordance with clause 10F(a) or 10F(d) above, whether by itself, a holding company, a subsidiary company, or a receiver, administrator or liquidator acting in the name of the Company, and

f) in the case of previously unregistered land, for the further protection of the option granted in Clause 10E the Company shall within 14 days of the acquisition of the legal interest in the Land or the signing of this Agreement, whichever is the latter, make application to register a Class C (iv) land charge in the Land Charges Registry and a Caution against First Registration in the Land Registry and shall provide the Secretary of State with copies of the entries secured thereby within 7 days of completing each registration, respectively. If the Secretary of State is of the view that the Company has failed to perform the registration obligations in this sub-clause he shall be at liberty to make his own applications to secure these registrations.

10G) Not Used.

### **Failure to use the Land for the purposes of the Academy**

10H) If the Company is unable to use the Land or any part thereof as the permanent site of the Academy but the Secretary of State agrees not to terminate this Agreement on that basis, the Secretary of State may give notice to the Company that:-

- a) he intends to exercise the option granted under clause 10E) to transfer the Land or the relevant part thereof for nil consideration to himself or his nominee; and/or
- b) the Company shall dispose of the Land or the relevant part thereof and that, pursuant to clause 86 of the Master

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Agreement, the Company may retain some or all of the proceeds of sale of the Land or the relevant part thereof in order to fulfil its charitable purposes by funding the purchase of an alternative permanent site for the Academy, save that any proceeds not used to fund the purchase of an alternative permanent site shall be accounted for to the Secretary of State or his nominee.

### **Sharing of the Land**

- 10I) The Company agrees that if:
- a) the Academy does not reach its planned capacity over a period of 4 Academy Funding Years; or
  - b) notice of termination is served by either the Company or the Secretary of State in accordance with clause 5.1 of this Agreement; or
  - c) in the reasonable opinion of the Secretary of State the operation of the Academy at planned capacity does not require the use of the full extent of the Land it will share occupation of the Land with such other Academy as the Secretary of State deems appropriate in the circumstances and enter into such legal arrangements in respect of the same as are required by the Secretary of State.

### **Exercise of Rights**

- 10J) On the termination of this Agreement, the Secretary of State may give notice of his intention to exercise the rights conferred upon the Secretary of State pursuant to clause 6.5, 6.6, 10E:
- a) any such notice shall be in writing and shall confirm which clause of this Agreement the Secretary of State intends to exercise without prejudice to the Secretary of State's right to exercise all and any other rights available to him;
  - b) in the event that upon termination of this Agreement for whatever



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reason, the Secretary of State exercises his option granted and the legal interest in the Land is transferred to the Secretary of State or his nominee for nil consideration by the Company pursuant to clause 10E, the obligation on the Company to pay a proportion of the proceeds of sale of the Land to the Secretary of State under clause 6.5(b) shall be deemed to have been complied with; and

- c) in the event that upon termination of this Agreement for whatever reason, the Secretary of State agrees that pursuant to clause 6.6 the Company may invest the proceeds of the sale of the Land for its charitable objects or directs the Company to pay all or part of the proceeds of sale of the Land to the LA.

10K) On the Company applying to the Secretary of State for consent to the disposal of all or part of the Land during the lifetime of this Agreement, the Secretary of State shall, should he agree that the Land is no longer required or cannot be used for the purposes of the Academy, subject to clause 5.7C

- a) consent to the disposal subject to any one or a combination of the following conditions:-
  - i. that pursuant to clause 86 of the Master Agreement, the Company may retain some or all proceeds of the disposal for its charitable purposes, subject to the Company accounting to the Secretary of State for any remaining proceeds of sale that the Secretary of State does not agree that the Company may retain for such charitable purposes; or
  - ii. that pursuant to clause 87, of the Master Agreement the Company pays all or some of the proceeds of sale to the LA and / or may reinvest all or some of the proceeds of sale for its charitable purposes,

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and any such notice of consent and conditions shall be in writing; or

- a) exercise the option granted to him pursuant to clause 10E to transfer the relevant part of the Land to him or his nominee for nil consideration.

10L) Not Used

10M) In the event that the Secretary of State exercises his option during the lifetime of this Agreement under clause 10K(b) and the legal interest in the Land is transferred to the Secretary of State or his nominee for nil consideration by the Company pursuant to clause 10E and the Company's obligation under clause 86 of the Master Agreement shall be deemed to have been satisfied in relation to the relevant part of the Land.

### **Payment of Debt**

10N) Not Used.

10O) Should the Company dispose of any or all parts of the Land, in accordance with clause 10K it shall enter into negotiations with the Secretary of State in respect of a deed of variation for this Agreement.

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This Agreement was executed as a Deed on 29 MAY,  
2013

Executed on behalf of by:

*N. Ward*

Director

In the presence of:  
witness: *Lee Lyfheld*  
Address: *C/O Stone King LLP*  
*16 St John's Lane, EC1M4BS*  
Director/Secretary  
Occupation: *Lawyer.*

The Corporate Seal of the Secretary of State for Education, hereunto affixed  
is authenticated by:

*P. Schofield*

Duly Authorised



**ANNEX TO THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT**

Requirements for the Admission for pupils at the Academy **Annex 1**

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADMISSION OF PUPILS TO THE STUDIO SCHOOL- ANNEX 1**

**GENERAL**

1. This Annex may be amended in writing at any time by agreement between the Secretary of State and the Company.
  
  2. Except as provided in paragraphs 2A to 3 below the Company will act in accordance with, and will ensure that an Independent Appeal Panel is trained to act in accordance with, all relevant provisions of the School Admissions Code and the School Admission Appeals Code published by the Department for Education (“the Codes”) as they apply at any given time to maintained schools and with equalities law and the law on admissions as they apply to maintained schools. For this purpose, reference in the Codes or legislation to “admission authorities” shall be deemed to be references to the governing body of the Company.
- 2A The Company is permitted to determine admission arrangements (subject to consultation in accordance with the School Admissions Code) that give priority for admission (but not above looked after children and previously looked after children<sup>2</sup>) to other children attracting the pupil premium, including the service premium (“the pupil premium admission criterion”). Where the Company exercises this freedom it will provide information in its admission arrangements of eligibility for the premiums.
- 2B For the purposes of applying the pupil premium admission criterion only, sections 1.9(f) and 2.4(a) of the School Admissions Code do not apply insofar as they prevent admission authorities from giving priority to children

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<sup>2</sup> As defined in the School Admissions Code. Previously looked after children are to be given the same highest priority as looked after children from September 2013 under the Code.

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according to the financial or occupational status of parents or using supplementary forms that ask for:

- (a) any personal details about their financial status; or
- (b) whether parents are serving in the armed forces (of any nation), stationed in England, and exercising parental care and responsibility for the child in question.

3. Notwithstanding the generality of paragraph 2 of this Annex, the Company will not participate in the co-ordinated admission arrangements operated by the LA for the first year of opening but will participate in such arrangements operated by the LA in subsequent years and the local Fair Access Protocol.

4. Notwithstanding any provision in this Annex, the Secretary of State may:

- (a) direct the Company to admit a named pupil to The Studio-Liverpool on application from a LA. This will include complying with a School Attendance Order<sup>3</sup>. Before doing so the Secretary of State will consult the Company.
- (b) direct the Company to admit a named pupil to The Studio-Liverpool if the Company has failed to act in accordance with this Annex or has otherwise failed to comply with applicable admissions and equalities legislation or the provisions of the Codes.

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<sup>3</sup> Local authorities are able to issue school attendance orders if a child is not attending school. These are legally binding upon parents. Such an order might, for instance, be appropriate where a child has a place at an Academy but his/her parents are refusing to send him/her to school. The order will require a parent to ensure his/her child attends a specified school.

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- (c) direct the Company to amend its admission arrangements where they fail to comply with the School Admissions Code or the Admission Appeals Code.

5. The Company shall ensure that parents and 'relevant children'<sup>4</sup> will have the right of appeal to an Independent Appeal Panel if they are dissatisfied with an admission decision of the Company. The Independent Appeal Panel will be independent of the Company. The arrangements for appeals will comply with the School Admission Appeals Code published by the Department for Education as it applies to Foundation and Voluntary Aided schools. The determination of the appeal panel is binding on all parties.

### **Relevant Area**

6. Subject to paragraph 7, the meaning of "Relevant Area" for the purposes of consultation requirements in relation to admission arrangements is that determined by the local authority for maintained schools in the area in accordance with the Education (Relevant Areas for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999.

7. If the Academy does not consider the relevant area determined by the local authority for the maintained schools in the area to be appropriate, it must apply to the Secretary of State by 1 August for a determination of the appropriate relevant area for the Academy, setting out the reasons for this view. The Secretary of State will consult the Academy and the LA in which the Academy is situated in reaching a decision.

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<sup>4</sup> 'relevant children' means:

- a) in the case of appeals for entry to a sixth form, the child, and;
- b) in any other case, children who are above compulsory school age, or will be above compulsory school age by the time they start to receive education at the school.

**Requirement to admit pupils**

8. Pupils on roll in any predecessor maintained or independent school will transfer automatically to the Academy on opening. All children already offered a place at any predecessor school will be admitted.
9. The Academy will:
  - a. subject to its right of appeal to the Secretary of State in relation to a named pupil, admit all pupils with a statement of special educational needs naming the Academy;
  - b. adopt admission oversubscription criteria that give highest priority to looked after children and previously looked after children<sup>5</sup>, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the School Admissions Code.

**Oversubscription criteria, admission number, consultation, determination and objections.**

10. The Academy admission arrangements will include oversubscription criteria, and an admission number for each relevant age group<sup>6</sup>. The Academy will consult on its admission arrangements and determine them in line with the requirements within the School Admissions Code.
11. The Company must make it clear, when determining the Academy's admission arrangements, that objections should be submitted to the Schools Adjudicator.
12. A determination of an objection by the Schools Adjudicator will be binding upon the Academy.

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<sup>5</sup> See footnote 1.

<sup>6</sup> 'Relevant age group' means 'normal point of admission to the school: for example, Year 10 and Year 12.