

**SURREY HEATH LOCAL COMMITTEE**

**DATE: 4 OCTOBER 2018**  
**SUBJECT: WRITTEN PUBLIC QUESTIONS x 1**  
**DIVISION: SURREY HEATH**

**Question 1: Murray Rowlands, local resident:**

Is Surrey Heath moving towards having no post 16 adult and continuing education which seems to follow from the Borough's planning proposal to close the France Hill Adult Education Centre for housing development? This is further emphasised by Tomlinscote School's decision to close its sixth form without any public consultation. It leaves the Borough in the unique situation of having virtually no post 16 education and training apart from Collingwood College and little indication that both Councils have adopted an adequate supply side economic strategy for Surrey Heath.

**Answer from the Chairman on behalf of the committee:**

The Borough's Planning document indicates the potential of the France Hill Drive site for possible residential development but this identification of the site for possible future use as residential is do with planning status of the land and does not automatically lead to the concerns expressed in the question regarding future post 16 adult and continuing education provision in the Borough.

The Camberley Learning Centre on France Hill Drive is owned by Surrey County Council. The Camberley Centre is one of our largest centres, offering learning opportunities to 1668 learners, totalling 6118 course hours (2017-18 figures).

The success of the centre is evident through the wide range of provision that meets a high proportion of the local needs of the community.

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