

Exciting news about our School Meals provider!

City Catering, the Southampton City Council Catering service that provides our school meals, is changing. From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 the service will leave the council and become an independent Social Enterprise in the form of a Charitable Trust, funded by the schools that use its services and governed by a board of trustees. This exciting development has the support of schools across the city and means that in the future the service will be in a better position to develop services that meet the evolving needs of schools, more able to compete commercially and as a charitable trust will be focused on supporting schools, parents and children across the whole “Food in Schools” agenda.

Parents and pupils can be assured that this innovative development will have no adverse impact on the school meal service they currently receive or the price paid. This initiative is designed to ultimately allow the service to develop its service delivery on a school by school basis.

This notice forms part of Southampton City Council’s process of consultation on this proposal, which will run from 3<sup>rd</sup> November until 28 November 2014. If you would like more information please visit the SCC web site at <http://www.southampton.gov.uk/schools-learning/in-school/school-meals/default.aspx> where you will be able to register any comments you may have.