

Appendix A

As the School Improvement Advisor working with the school since September 2018, I would like to make the following points regarding the recent OfSTED inspection and report:

- The report acknowledges that the Headteacher has addressed a number of complex issues since beginning at the school. This is certainly true and she, alongside governors and other staff, have skilfully managed a good deal of necessary change
- The school was inspected under the new Education Inspection Framework (EIF) that came in from September 2019. Since the last inspection of the school in February 2016, the expectations on schools have risen considerably, and the areas of focus changed. The rigid format of the report presented does not allow for this to be reflected in the wording
- The HT has made considerable progress towards the school meeting the requirements of the new EIF
- The report highlights nothing that the school's Leadership were not aware of and are working towards improving
- There are many strengths of the school which, due to its brevity, the report cannot cover
- The school's capacity for continued improvement is very strong
- The school's Leadership, with the support of the Local Authority and myself, are committed to ensuring the school makes the needed improvements, and to continue to ensure a high-quality provision for all pupils

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