

# BEP Academy

62–64 Western Road, Romford RM1 3LP and 4 Repton Court, Basildon SS13 1LN

## Inspection dates

8 November 2019

## Overall outcome

**The school meets the independent school standards relevant to the material change. The material change has already been implemented.**

## Main inspection findings

### Part 3. Welfare, health and safety of pupils

*Paragraphs 7, 11, 12, 16, 32(1)(c)*

- The school's approach to safeguarding its pupils continues to meet the requirements of the independent school standards. The school's policy reflects the latest statutory guidance issued by the Secretary of State and is published online. Staff at all levels are suitably trained, any concerns are raised quickly, and all referrals are thoroughly documented. Leaders have a strong understanding of the contextualised risks their pupils face. There is a culture of vigilance, and a shared commitment to keep pupils as safe from harm as possible.
- Leaders have suitably updated the school's health and safety and risk assessment policies in the light of the new premises. These policies are implemented well. The fire safety system, equipment, logs and checks are suitable and confirmed in the school's September 2019 risk assessment as compliant with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. Leaders have carefully considered the potential risks presented at the new premises and taken appropriate action to minimise them.
- The independent school standards in this part are met.

### Part 5. Premises of and accommodation at schools

*All paragraphs*

- The school's new premises at 62–64 Western Road, Romford RM1 3LP have been fully modernised and refurbished. They are clean, safe, secure and well maintained. The premises include five classrooms, two workshops, a suitable medical room, separate toilet, washing, shower and changing facilities for pupils, labelled drinking water supplies and a suitable outdoor garden space for recreation. Physical education is taught off-site at local leisure facilities. The standards relating to indoor and outdoor lighting, hot water supplies, acoustics and health and safety are all met.

- The independent school standards in this part are met.

## Part 8. Quality of leadership in and management of schools

### *Paragraph 34*

- Leaders have worked effectively to relocate to new, suitable premises. They have ensured that all the relevant independent school standards continue to be met at the new premises.

## **Compliance with regulatory requirements**

The school meets the requirements of the schedule to the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014 ('the independent school standards') and associated requirements that are relevant to the material change.

## School details

Unique reference number	145192
DfE registration number	311/6002
Inspection number	10127497

This inspection was carried out under section 162(4) of the Education Act 2002, the purpose of which is to advise the Secretary of State for Education about the school's compliance with the independent school standards relevant to the material change that the school has applied to make.

Type of school	Secondary alternative provider and day school
School status	Independent school
Proprietor	Business Education Partnership
Chair	Steve Wilks
Headteacher	Kelly Sims
Annual fees (day pupils)	£11,500
Telephone number	01708 436440
Website	<a href="http://www.bepgroup.net">www.bepgroup.net</a>
Email address	<a href="mailto:info@bepgroup.net">info@bepgroup.net</a>
Date of previous standard inspection	7–9 November 2018

## Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal	Inspector's recommendation
Age range of pupils	13 to 16	No change	N/A
Number of pupils on the school roll	90	No change	N/A

## Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal
Gender of pupils	Mixed	No change
Number of full-time pupils of compulsory school age	65	No change
Number of part-time pupils	25	No change
Number of pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities	18	No change
Of which, number of pupils with an education, health and care plan	7	No change
Of which, number of pupils paid for by a local authority with an education, health and care plan	4	No change

## Staff

	School's current position	School's proposal
Number of full-time equivalent teaching staff	11	No change
Number of part-time teaching staff	2	No change
Number of staff in the welfare provision	8	No change

## Information about this school

- BEP Academy is registered to admit up to 90 pupils between the ages of 13 and 16. It predominantly operates as an alternative provider. The majority of pupils attend on a dual-roll arrangement with their mainstream secondary schools.
- The school no longer operates for pupils from its premises at 10 Bridge Close,

Romford RM7 0AU.

- The school does not make use of any alternative provision.
- The school's first and most recent full standard inspection took place in November 2018, when overall effectiveness was judged to be good and all the independent school standards were judged to be met.

## Information about this inspection

- This was the school's first material change inspection to consider its change of main premises.
- The inspector was asked to consider whether the school's new premises comply with some of the requirements in Parts 3, 5 and 8 of the independent school standards.
- The inspection was announced with two days' notice.
- There were no responses on Ofsted's Parent View to consider as part of this inspection.
- The inspection was conducted with the organisation's chief executive officer and principal. The inspector toured the new premises and considered a range of relevant documentation, such as policies, risk assessments and fire safety records.

## Inspection team

James Waite, lead inspector

Ofsted Inspector

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