

PRESS RELEASE

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Planning permission for school relocation will help reduce shortage of school places in Redbridge.

Al-Noor Foundation is pleased to announce that it has been granted planning permission to relocate its current primary school to the Newton Industrial Estate. The highly anticipated move will pave the way for the development of a brand new primary school providing over 400 much needed school places in the borough of Redbridge

During a meeting on Monday evening, the Council's Regulatory Committee voted in favour of the relocation of Al-Noor Primary school from its current site on Green Lane to the Newton Industrial Estate. This now allows the Green Lane site to be demolished and rebuilt, providing a new, state-of-the-art primary school in its place. Al-Noor Foundation purchased the Newton Industrial Estate in August 2015, raising the £4.4m required for the purchase from the local community.

Sadiq Kothia, Trustee of Al-Noor said: *"We are delighted to have received planning permission to relocate our primary school. Not only will this result in the regeneration of the Newton Industrial Estate and its surrounding area, but also free up Al-Noor's primary school site and adjacent land to build a brand new school providing 420 much needed school places. We would like to thank the local authority and the community for their continued support".*

Over the coming months Al-Noor will work on preparing the Newton Industrial Estate for the relocation of the primary school, with the site expected to be ready for the new academic year in September 2016.

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Please find attached photograph of the Newton Industrial Estate.

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