



## **Landau Forte Charitable Trust Press Release**

### **Landau Forte CEO Successor Appointed**

Landau Forte Charitable Trust is delighted to announce the appointment of a successor to Steve Whiteley, Chief Executive who will retire from the Trust in August 2014.

Peter Ashworth, Chairman of the Trust responsible for the education of 4000 children across the Primary, Secondary and Sixth Form education sectors in the Midlands said:

'We received Steve Whiteley's decision to retire with great sadness. He will be with us until the end of August 2014 when we shall recognise his success and all that he has done.

Over the last weeks, we have undertaken a nationwide search and conducted a rigorous selection process following which we have been fortunate to have found and appointed Dr Antony Edkins who is currently the Executive Principal at Manchester Academy and a Senior Partner of United Learning; he has a wealth of educational experience and expertise.

We look forward to welcoming him to his new role at the start of September when he will lead the Trust in our drive to continuously improve the quality of education we provide for all of our students.'

Dr Edkins, an experienced school leader and educator, said about his new appointment:

'It is a real privilege to be invited to be Chief Executive. It is humbling to follow in the footsteps of Steve Whiteley. I look forward to the years ahead and building on the successes achieved to date.'

Dr Edkins will take up his appointment on 1 September 2014.

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