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New Interim Chief Executive Appointed at Rainham Mark Education Trust

Rainham Mark Education Trust (RMET) has appointed Owen McColgan as Interim Chief Executive with effect from 1 July 2025. Owen will provide strategic leadership and fulfil the statutory responsibilities of Chief Executive and Accounting Officer during an interim period, supporting the Trust for two days per week alongside his continuing role as Chief Executive of The Howard Academy Trust (THAT).

The appointment comes as RMET enters a new phase of stability and direction, following a period of change within the organisation. Owen McColgan brings a wealth of experience from across the education sector, having led THAT with distinction and worked extensively across primary, secondary and specialist settings in Medway and the wider Kent area.

Owen McColgan commented:

“I am delighted to be working with Trustees, staff and pupils within RMET schools and getting to know them over the next few weeks. This is an opportunity to show the true strength of the academies sector and allows for us to not only work collaboratively within our own trust, but also support others when the need arises.”

As Interim Chief Executive, Owen will focus on stabilising the organisation and implementing RMET’s existing strategy for school improvement and operational effectiveness.

RMET remains an independent trust and has not entered into any agreement to join another trust.