The Department for Education has approved the substantive decision to close The Watford UTC at the end of the 2022/23 academic year.

Existing students will be allowed to complete their studies during this academic year. Recruitment for years 10 and 12 for The Watford UTC had already been paused as the UTC worked with the DfE on its future plans.

Staff, parents, and the students have been informed of the decision and we will be supporting each of them to transition smoothly from the school.

Our community now has the opportunity to share their views about this news and how best we can support our students over the rest of the academic year.

This is called a listening period, and we will be running this process for four weeks from Friday 27th January through to Friday 3rd March, with a week's intermission for the half-term break.

To share your views, please complete this online form: forms.gle/svGXFDLB9Vk2MxhZ6

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