

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN’S SERVICES

7 February 2017

Report of the Strategic Director for Children’s Services

SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2018/19

1. Purpose of Report

To report on the annual consultation and to determine admission arrangements for 2018/19.

2. Information and Analysis

The regulations concerning school admissions require that the admission arrangements for 2018/19 are consulted upon before 31st January 2017 and determined by 28th February 2017.

Consultation information was posted on the Derbyshire County Council website from October 2016 setting out the proposed changes to arrangements for 2018/19.

The following were also consulted:

- a Community, Voluntary Controlled, Academy, Voluntary Aided and Foundation primary and secondary schools in Derbyshire.
- b Neighbouring Local Authorities and Diocesan Authorities.
- c Neighbouring authority schools which are adjacent to the County boundary and may be affected by Derbyshire’s arrangements.

The consultation was publicised by schools’ extranet, e-mail and by public notices in the local press in October 2016.

The consultation period has now ended and a summary of responses are the following schools requesting a change to their Published Admission Number (PAN) as follows:-

- i) Brampton Primary School PAN reduction from 60 to 45.
- ii) Milford Primary School reduction of PAN from 20 to 15.

All of the above requests have been referred to the Schools' Development Section who confirm they are in line with revised net capacity assessments and can be supported. The Development Section has notified local schools of the requests and no comments have been received.

There are no changes proposed to the over-subscription criteria for community and controlled schools, however there is a proposal to change the method of measuring home to school distance for admissions purposes. A straight line distance from home to school will replace the current shortest available route (as plotted on the Children's Services Department Geographic Information System).

The normal area of the Drakelow Park development is currently Rosliston Primary School. From September 2018, the normal area for the Drakelow Park development will be Stanton Primary School. This is on a temporary basis until such time as the new school linked to the Drakelow Park development is opened.

A copy of the arrangements is available on the Derbyshire County Council website.

Published Admission Numbers (PANs)

Following consultation, changes to the school Published Admission Numbers (PANs) listed in Annex 1 are recommended. All of these changes are in line with revised net capacity assessments.

The only school where the PAN is less than the indicated admission number (IAN) is now Spire Junior School. The published number is 50 while the indicated number is 51. This was agreed following consultation within the community so that the PANs of Spire Infant and Spire Junior School are co-ordinated.

Fair Access Protocols

There are no changes to the Fair Access Protocols. Copies of the Primary and Secondary Fair Access Protocols are available on the Derbyshire County Council website.

Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme

It is proposed to make no significant changes to the Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme, other than to bring forward relevant dates into the 2018/19 admission rounds.

3. **Other Considerations** In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: Prevention of Crime & Disorder, Financial, Equality of Opportunity, Health, Legal & Human Rights, Human Resources, Environmental, Property and Transport Considerations.

4. **Background Papers**

School Admissions Code (DfE December 2014).
Schools Admissions Appeals Code (DfE February 2012).
2018/19 Consultation documents.

5. **Key Decision** No.

6. **Call-in** Is it necessary for the call-in period to be waived in respect of the decisions being proposed in this report?

No.

7. **Strategic Director's Recommendations** The Cabinet Member for Children's Services is asked to approve the proposed changes to the admission arrangements set out in this report and its Annex.

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ANNEX 1

Published Admission Numbers for Community and Controlled Schools for 2018/19

As a result of a review of the accommodation of the schools and the net capacity assessment of the buildings, proposed changes to Published Admission Numbers (PANs) for 2018/9 are as follows –

Woodbridge Junior	Reduce from 65 to 45
Grassmoor Primary School	Reduce from 40 to 30
Somercotes Infant School	Reduce from 70 to 60
William Rhodes Primary School	Reduce from 40 to 30
Brampton Primary School	Reduce from 60 to 45
Milford Primary School	Reduce from 20 to 15
The Curzon CE (VA) Primary School	Increase from 17 to 19
Gamesley Primary School	Increase from 40 to 45
St Anne's RC Primary School	Increase from 40 to 45
Brailsford Primary School	Increase from 13 to 17
Town End Junior School	Increase from 45 to 50
Aston-on-Trent	Increase from 27 to 30

All other PANs remain as published in the 2017/8 arrangements.