

Equality Impact Assessment



Hampshire
County Council

Hampshire County Council's School Admission Arrangements 2019/2020

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Description of current service/policy

Hampshire County Council is the admissions authority for all community and voluntary controlled schools in Hampshire and is therefore responsible for determining the admission arrangements for 2019/20. The term 'admission arrangements' means the overall procedure, practices and oversubscription criteria used in deciding on the allocation of school places, including a co-ordinated scheme; an admission policy for each phase of school and a published admissions number for each school.

Geographical impact: All Hampshire

Description of proposed change

A change to the co-ordinated scheme which will see late applications received during the normal admissions round being considered on the first working day after the national notification date rather than two weeks after the national notification date, and late applications received on or after the notification date being considered after in daily order of receipt.

Changes to the admission policy:

- a) a revision of the medical criterion to include social reasons and to specify what evidence would be accepted to support any applications under the criterion.
- b) an amendment to the linked school criterion in the secondary policy

A reduction to the Published admission number of 16 primary phase schools and one secondary school.

Changes to the catchment areas of the following schools in Hampshire:

- a) North Waltham Primary School, Kempshott Infant School, Kempshott Junior School, Brighton Hill Community School and Aldworth School in Basingstoke;
- b) Haselworth Primary School and Alverstoke Community Infant School in Gosport;
- c) Netley Abbey Infant, Netley Abbey Junior School, Bursledon CE Infant School and Bursledon Junior School within the Eastleigh Borough,
- d) Bursledon CE Infant School, Bursledon Junior School and Kings Copse Primary School within

the Eastleigh Borough;

e) Botley CE (Controlled) Primary School, Freegrounds Infant School, Freegrounds Junior School, Wildern Academy Trust (sponsor of the new primary free school at Boorley Park) within the Eastleigh Borough.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

Consultation with schools, neighbouring local authorities and parents on the County's 2019 admission policies and PANs has been carried out in two phases:

25 September – 20 October 2017: consultations with schools on the co-ordinated scheme, PANs and the proposed admission policies;

04 December 2017 - 20 January 2018: statutory consultation with schools, other local authorities and parents on the intended arrangements, including any revised PANs.

For the catchment area reviews each schools' governing body has been consulted and affected families written to ahead of the statutory consultation on the proposed arrangements.

All public consultation responses are included for consideration on the Elected Lead Member decision day.

Statutory considerations	Impact	Mitigation
Age: Neutral		
Disability: Neutral		
Sexual orientation: Neutral		
Race: Neutral		

Religion and belief: Neutral		
Gender reassignment: Neutral		
Gender: Neutral		
Marriage and civil partnership: Neutral		
Pregnancy and maternity: Neutral		
Other policy considerations	Impact	Mitigation
Poverty: Neutral		
Rurality: Neutral		

Any other information