Proposed catchment change for Kings’ School, Winchester

Background

In 2024, John Keble CE Primary School, a linked school for Kings’ School, expanded its catchment area to include the former Ampfield CE Primary School catchment following the school's closure.

As no corresponding changes were made to secondary catchment areas, the former Ampfield catchment remained within The Romsey Academy's catchment area. This means that, despite being part of a linked primary school's catchment, residents of Ampfield are currently classified as out-of-catchment for Kings’ School.

As secondary school catchment areas are generally based on the catchment areas of their linked primary and junior schools, it is proposed that this anomaly be corrected.

Proposal

Hampshire County Council proposes to extend Kings’ School's catchment area to include the former Ampfield CE Primary School catchment area, ensuring that the whole of John Keble CE Primary School's catchment falls within Kings’ School's catchment area.

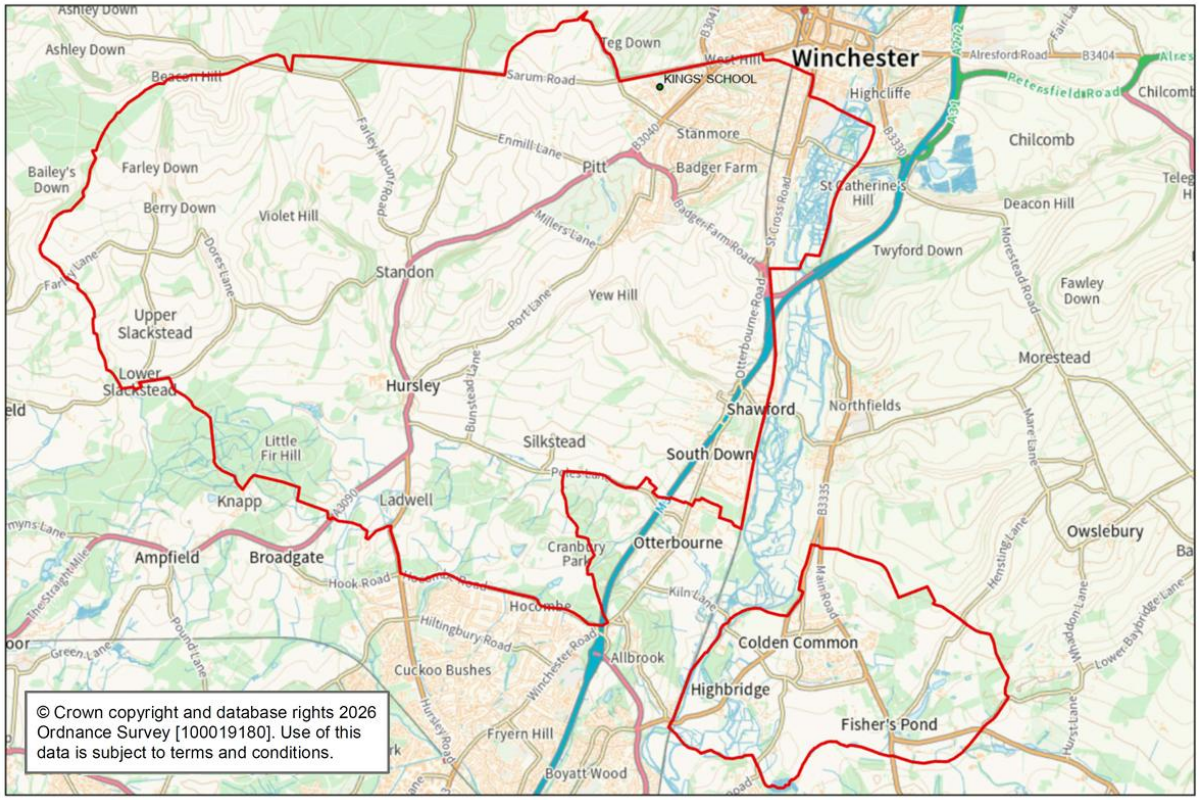
If approved, residents of Ampfield would receive catchment priority under Kings’ School's admission arrangements.

Please see the maps below showing the current and proposed catchment areas.

The proposal has been discussed with The Romsey Academy, which is its own admission authority and determines its own catchment arrangements. The Academy has confirmed that it does not currently intend to remove the Ampfield area from its catchment. As a result, Ampfield would become a shared catchment area for both Kings’ School and The Romsey Academy, with applicants living within the shared catchment area receiving catchment priority for both schools under their respective admission arrangements.

The proposed change would apply for admissions from September 2028 onwards, including applications made in the main admission round for Year 7 entry in September 2028.

Current catchment area map



Proposed catchment area map

