

Proposal to alter the School Admission Arrangements Applying for

- Barons Court Primary School and Nursery
- Blenheim Primary school and Nursery
- Chalkwell Hall Infant and Chalkwell Hall Junior Schools
- Darlinghurst Academy
- Earls Hal Primary School
- Eastwood Primary School
- Edwards Hall Primary School
- Fairways Primary school
- Heycroft primary School
- Leigh North Street Primary School
- Temple Sutton Primary School
- West Leigh Infant and West Leigh Junior School

The Consultation

In accordance with the requirements of the 2014 School Admissions Code, Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (the Admission Authority for community schools), in partnership with four Academy/Foundation schools is conducting a consultation in connection with proposals to alter the Admission Arrangements Applying for the above schools. It is intended that the revised Admission Arrangements will apply with effect from 1 September 2019.

You may view the proposed 2019/20 School Admission Arrangements, complete a response form, review further information on the frequently asked questions here:

www.southend.gov.uk/schoolconsultation

The consultation will open on Monday 6th November 2017 and will close at 5pm on Friday 15th December 2017. During this period you are invited to submit any comments concerning Admission Arrangements by completing the response form or by letter or email.

The key proposed alternations include:

- A substantial revision to the layout of the Admission Arrangements in the interest of providing additional clarity and ensuring compliance with the School Admissions Code 2014. Key areas of local policy are now set out under distinctive headings and the content has been simplified as far as possible.
- A review of admission criteria for schools listed. Each school has individual criteria for admission.
- The inclusion of a priority to pupil in eligible for pupil premium for West leigh Infant and West Leigh Junior schools
- Inclusion of the requirement by law for a full admission round for admission to year 3. Ensuring clarity that all pupils must apply for admission to year 3. We are proposing that pupils in year 2 at our partner schools (see arrangements) have priority after pupils in public care/looked after.
- The inclusion of priority to pupils of staff for all schools listed.
- The inclusion of priority to pupils of Temple Sutton Nursery school for admission to Temple Sutton Primary school and a reduction of the admission limit for 2019.
- A substantial proposal to change the catchment area for Eastwood Primary school, Fairways Primary School, Blenheim Primary School and Nursery, Darlinghurst Academy, Chalkwell Hall Infant and Junior schools, Leigh North Street, West Leigh Infant and West Leigh Junior schools.
- A revised closing date for home address.

Full details on the proposals, response forms and access to the frequently asked questions are available here: www.southend.gov.uk/schoolconsultation

What happens next?

Following closure of the consultation, the Admission Authorities will consider any comments returned during the consultation period. Responses to the consultation will be reported back to the individual school admissions authorities and presented to the Southend-on-Sea Admissions forum and Cabinet at their meetings in January/February 2018. All authorities will finalise and determine their arrangements as required by the School Admissions Code 2014. Admission Arrangements for all schools will be published on the Southend-on-sea Borough Council's web site within a composite prospectus by **15th March 2018**.