

LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM

Venue: Town Hall, Moorgate Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH
Date: Thursday, 3 July 2014
Time: 10.00 a.m.

A G E N D A

1. Annual Appointment of Chairman 2014/15.
2. Apologies for Absence.
3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 13th March, 2014 (herewith) (Pages 1 - 3)
4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes.
5. Membership of the Local Admissions Forum (information herewith) (Page 4)
6. Terms, Conditions and Constitution.
7. The Local Authority Report to the School Adjudicator (copies to be circulated at the meeting).
8. Admissions Consultations 2014/15 (Officers to report)
9. Academies Update (herewith) (Pages 5 - 7)
10. School Admission Appeals Update (information herewith) (Page 8)
11. Looked after Children Statistics (herewith) (Pages 9 - 10)
12. Update on School Organisation (Presentation by Officers).
13. Date and Time of Next Meeting - Thursday, 6th November, 2014 at 10.00 a.m.

**LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM
THURSDAY, 13TH MARCH, 2014**

Present:- Mrs. I. Hartley (in the Chair); Mrs. C. Cockayne and Mrs. M. Gambles and Mr. G. Lancashire (Community Representatives).

Apologies for absence were received from:- Councillors Beaumont, Barron and Havenhand and Mr. C. E. Kelsey (Community Schools).

81. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Agreed:- That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Local Admissions Forum held on 7th November, 2013 be approved as a correct record.

82. MEMBERSHIP OF THE LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM

Consideration was given to the current membership of the Local Admissions Forum, the current vacancies and how best the vacancies could be filled.

It was noted that some contact had been made with the Sheffield Diocese and it was highly likely that Mr. Hugh Thomas may be taking up the vacant position.

It was also suggested that in order to highlight the vacancies from the school based representatives the matter of membership be included on the agenda of the Rotherham Schools' Forum.

Agreed:- That the actions on filling the membership vacancies be noted.

83. TERMS, CONDITIONS AND CONSTITUTION

This was a standing item and any updates would be provided in due course.

84. SCHOOL ADMISSION CONSULTATION FEEDBACK REPORT FOR THE 2015/16 ACADEMIC YEAR

Consideration was given to a report presented by Dean Fenton, Principal Officer – School Organisation, which provided information on the consultation feedback report for community and controlled schools for admission arrangements for the admission year 2015/16.

There were no proposed changes to the co-ordinated schemes applying to both primary and secondary schools other than a few minor date changes which related to the inclusion of Looked After Children, nor were there any proposed changes to waiting lists or relevant areas.

Reference was made, however, to the changes to the published admission numbers for certain schools in light of either new school buildings or expansions, as outlined in the report submitted, including sixth form provision.

Discussion ensued on school places planning, basic needs allocations and reliance on Section 106 funds.

It was, therefore, suggested that a presentation be provided to a future meeting showing which schools had benefited from the various funding streams.

Agreed:- (1) That the information be noted.

(2) That a presentation on funding allocations be received at a future meeting.

85. UPDATE ON SECONDARY SCHOOL ALLOCATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2014

Dean Fenton, Principal Officer – School Organisation, confirmed that offers had been issued to parents for secondary school places and all those children who were in the catchment or had a sibling at the school had been provided with a place.

Of all the secondary schools the ones that were oversubscribed were Aston Academy, St. Bernard's Catholic High, Wath and Wickersley Comprehensive Schools.

Agreed:- That the information be noted.

86. SCHOOL ADMISSION APPEALS UPDATE - STATISTICS

Consideration was given to a report containing statistics of the number of school admission appeals received and hearings that had taken place as part of allocation to the 2013/14 school year.

Agreed:- That the information be received.

87. UPDATE ON SCHOOL ORGANISATION

Dean Fenton, Principal Officer – School Organisation, gave a presentation which provided an update on school organisation proposals.

The presentation provided insight into:-

- The transfer groups.
- Previously approved changes to school organisation.
- Temporary increases in published admission numbers.
- Current consultations on school organisation proposals.

- Waverley – Deed of Variation.
- Available Capital Funding.
- Forward Planning.
- Targeting Basic Need Funding
- Other Consultations taking place.

The Forum welcomed this information and asked about the implications of additional housing on learning communities. It was suggested that this information be shared at a future meeting.

Agreed:- (1) That Dean Fenton be thanked for this informative presentation.

(2) That information be noted and the additional information about the implications of additional housing on learning communities be included as part of any future presentation.

88. ACADEMIES CONVERSION UPDATE

Consideration was given to information presented by Dean Fenton, Principal Officer – School Organisation, which detailed the number of academies currently in Rotherham, with the newly added addition of Bramley Grange Primary School.

Agreed:- That the information be noted.

89. UPDATE ON FAIR ACCESS PROTOCOL FOR AUTUMN TERM

Consideration was given to information presented by Chris Stones, Senior Officer – School Organisation, which detailed the termly outcomes from the Fair Access Panels, which was now being overseen by John Coleman following the departure of Helen Barre.

The Forum wished to place on record their thanks and appreciation to Helen Barre following the success of the Fair Access Panels and wished her well in the future.

Agreed:- (1) That the information be noted.

(2) That the Forum's thanks and appreciation be forwarded onto Helen Barre.

ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM****MEMBERSHIP AS AT JUNE, 2014**

The membership of the Rotherham Local Admissions Forum is:-

Community Schools:- 2 members (1 Primary and 1 Secondary)

Mrs. I. G. Hartley (Wath Comprehensive School) and Mr. C. E. Kelsey (Bramley Grange Primary School)

Voluntary Controlled Schools:- 1 member, to be appointed

Voluntary Aided Schools:- 3 members

One vacancy

Mr. G. Lancashire (representative of Anglican Faith Schools)

Mrs. H. McLaughlin (Our Lady and St. Joseph's Catholic School, Wath upon Dearne)

Academy:- 1 member, to be appointed

Church Dioceses:- 2 members

Diocese of Hallam:- Ms. C. Thorpe

Sheffield Diocese:- To be appointed

Parent:- 1 member, to be appointed

Community Representatives (10)

Councillor C. Beaumont

Councillor J. Havenhand

Another Member – TBC.

Mrs. P. Powell

Mr. P. Robins

Mr. B. Sampson

Mrs. C. Cockayne

Mrs. M. Gambles

Mr. M. T. Shahid (Black and Minority Ethnic community)

One representative of the Early Years Nursery (voluntary) sector

Rotherham Academies Update - June 2014

Name of Academy	Name of Predecessor School	Open	Proposed conversion	Lead Sponsor / Trust	Notes
Maltby Academy	Maltby Community School	Jan-10		U-Xplore	
Brinsworth Comprehensive School	Brinsworth Comprehensive School	Oct-10		Learning Engagement and Achievement Partnership	
Wales High School	Wales High School	Oct-10		None	
Aston Academy	Aston Comprehensive School	May-11		None	
St Bernard's Catholic High School	St Bernard's Catholic High School	Jul-12		Holy Spirit Umbrella Trust (St Bernard's Learning Community)	
Thurcroft Junior Academy	Thurcroft Junior School	Jul-12		Aston Academy	
Coleridge Primary School	Coleridge Primary School	Apr-13		Central Learning Partnership Trust	PFI School
East Dene Primary School	East Dene Junior & Infant School	Apr-13		Central Learning Partnership Trust	PFI School
St Bede's Catholic Primary School	St Bede's Catholic Primary School	Jul-13		Holy Spirit Umbrella Trust (St Bernard's Learning Community)	
St Gerard's Catholic Primary School	St Gerard's Catholic Primary School	Jul-13		Holy Spirit Umbrella Trust (St Bernard's Learning Community)	
St Mary's (Herringthorpe) Catholic Primary School	St Mary's (Herringthorpe) Catholic Primary School	Jul-13		Holy Spirit Umbrella Trust (St Bernard's Learning Community)	
St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Maltby)	St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Maltby)	Jul-13		Holy Spirit Umbrella Trust (St Bernard's Learning Community)	
Wingfield Academy	Wingfield Business and Enterprise College	Aug-13		None	PFI School
Canklow Woods Primary School	Canklow Woods Primary School	Sep-13		White Woods Primary Academy Trust	
Whiston Junior & Infant School	Whiston Junior and Infant School	Sep-13		White Woods Primary Academy Trust	
Whiston Worrygoose Junior & Infant School	Whiston Worrygoose Junior and Infant School	Sep-13		White Woods Primary Academy Trust	
Thrybergh Academy and Sports College	Thrybergh School and Sports College	Oct-13		None	PFI School

Sandhill Primary Academy	Rawmarsh Sandhill Primary School	Dec-13		Sandhill Multi Academy Trust	
Oakwood Academy	Oakwood High School	Dec-13		None	
Brookfield Primary Academy	Swinton Brookfield Primary School	Jan-14		Sandhill Multi Academy Trust	
Maltby Redwood Academy	Maltby Redwood Junior & Infant School	Feb-14		Maltby Learning Trust	
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School (Dinnington)	St Joseph's Catholic Primary School (Dinnington)	Feb-14		Holy Spirit Umbrella Trust (St Bernard's Learning Community)	
Wickersley School and Sports College	Wickersley School and Sports College	Mar-14		Wickersley Partnership Trust	PFI School
Rawmarsh Ashwood Academy	Rawmarsh Ashwood Primary School	Apr-14		Ashwood Multi-Academy Trust	
Thrybergh Academy and Sports College	Dalton Foljambe Primary School (Thrybergh Academy and Sports College)	May-14		Thrybergh Academy and Sports College	This is an amalgamation between Thrybergh and Dalton to form a 3-16 through school.
*Rawmarsh Community School	Rawmarsh Community School		Jul-14	Wickersley Partnership Trust	The School have asked that the Academy conversion is deferred from the 1st June 2014 to the 1st July 2014 due to outstanding legal issues.
*Sitwell Junior School	Sitwell Junior School		Jul-14	Oakwood High School	
*Thrybergh Primary School	Thrybergh Primary School		Jul-14	Ashwood Multi-Academy Trust	The School have asked that Academy conversion is deferred from the 1st May 2014 to the 1st July 2014
*Winterhill School	Winterhill School		Sep-14	Winterhill School MAT	PFI School - Deferred to September 2014 due to Legal issues
*Dinnington Primary School	Dinnington Primary School		Sep-14	Winterhill School MAT	To form part of the MAT with Winterhill School - see above.
*Bramley Grange Primary School	Bramley Grange Primary School		Sep-14	TBA	
*Rawmarsh Monkwood Primary School	Rawmarsh Monkwood Primary School		Sep-14	Sandhill Multi Academy Trust	
*Dalton Listerdale Junior and Infant School	Dalton Listerdale Junior and Infant School		Oct-14	TBA	To form part of the MAT with Anston Greenland's School - Academy order received
*Anston Greenland's Primary School	Anston Greenland's Primary School		Oct-14	TBA	To form part of the MAT with Dalton Listerdale School - Academy order received

*Clifton Community School	Clifton Community School		Oct-14	Wickersley Partnership Trust	PFI School
*St Albans CofE School	St Albans C of E School		Oct-14	DS Academy Trust	
*Flanderwell Primary School	Flanderwell Primary School		Oct-14	DS Academy Trust	
*High Greave Infant School	High Greave Infant School		Nov-14	TBA	To form part of the MAT with High Greave Junior and Catcliffe Primary Schools
*High Greave Junior School	High Greave Junior School		Nov-14	TBA	To form part of the MAT with High Greave Infant and Catcliffe Primary Schools
*Catcliffe Primary School	Catcliffe Primary School		Nov-14	TBA	To form part of the MAT with High Greave Infant and High Greave Junior Schools
*Dinnington Comprehensive School	Dinnington Comprehensive School		Dec-14	Learning Engagement and Achievement Partnership	To form part of the MAT with Brinsworth Comprehensive School
*Thrybergh Fullerton C of E School	Thrybergh Fullerton C of E School		Dec-14	DS Academy Trust	
*Trinity Croft C of E School	Trinity Croft C of E School		Dec-14	DS Academy Trust	
*Aston All Saints C of E School	Aston All Saints C of E School		Dec-14	DS Academy Trust	

* Name of academy to be confirmed
MAT - Multi Academy Trust

ROTHERHAM LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM
SCHOOL ADMISSION APPEALS - STATISTICS

June, 2014

This brief report is included on the agenda to inform the Local Admissions Forum of the numbers of school admission appeals received and hearings taking place.

School Year 2014/15

LEA Primary Schools

Appeals Lodged	105
Appeals Refused	Ongoing
Appeals Allowed	Ongoing

LEA Secondary Schools

Appeals lodged	73*
Appeals Refused	28
Appeals Allowed	12

Church Schools - Primary

Appeals Lodged	31
Appeals Refused	Ongoing
Appeals Allowed	Ongoing

Church Schools – Secondary

Appeals lodged	20*
Appeals Refused	7
Appeals Allowed	6

*Appeals still pending

The numbers for admission in September, 2014 have decreased slightly, but this is offset by the high number of transfer requests that have continue to be submitted, resulting in:-

- 9 appeal dates during May.
- 16 appeal dates during June and July.
- 3 appeal dates already arranged for September.

School	Rotherham LAC	Other Authority LAC	Total
Abbey School	5	1	6
Anston Greenland Junior & Infant School	1	2	3
Anston Park Infant School	1		1
Anston Park Junior School	1		1
Aston Academy	6	4	10
Aston Fence Junior & Infant School	2	1	3
Aston Springwood Junior & Infant School	1	3	4
Aughton Primary School	1		1
Badsley Primary School	3		3
Bramley Grange Primary School	2		2
Bramley Sunnyside Junior School		2	2
Brampton Cortonwood Infant School		1	1
Brampton the Ellis CofE Infant School		2	2
Brinsworth Comprehensive School - A Science College	3		3
Brinsworth Howarth Primary School	1		1
Brinsworth Manor Junior School	1	1	2
Brinsworth Whitehill Primary School		1	1
Canklow Woods Primary School	1		1
Clifton: A Community Arts School	3		3
Dinnington Community Primary School		1	1
Dinnington Comprehensive School	4	1	5
Greasbrough Primary School	4		4
Herringthorpe Junior School	1		1
High Greave Infant School	2		2
Hilltop School	3	1	4
Kelford School	8		8
Kilnhurst Primary School		2	2
Kimberworth Community Primary School	2		2
Laughton All Saints CE Primary	1		1
Laughton Junior & Infant School	1		1
Listerdale J & I School	1		1
Maltby Academy	5	3	8
Maltby Lilly Hall Primary		1	1
Maltby Lilly Hall Primary School	1		1
Meadow View Primary School	2		2
Milton School	4		4
Monkwood Primary School	2		2
Newman School	1	2	3
Oakwood High School	5		5
Our Lady & St Josphe's Catholic Primary School	2		2
Rawmarsh Ashwood Junior and Infant School	3		3
Rawmarsh Community School - A Sports College	2		2
Rawmarsh Rosehill Junior School	2		2
Riverside PRU	2		2
Rockingham Junior & Infant School	4		4
Roughwood Primary School	1		1
Saint Alban's C of E Primary School, Wickersley	1		1
Saint Pius X Catholic High School	2		2

Sandhill Primary Academy		1	1
St Bernard's Catholic High School	6	1	7
St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Herringthorpe)	2		2
St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Maltby)	3		3
Swinton Community School	2	2	4
Swinton Fitzwilliam Primary School	2	1	3
Swinton Queen Primary School	1		1
The St Mary's Centre	3		3
The Willows School	2		2
Thornhill Primary School	1		1
Thrybergh Comprehensive School	2	2	4
Thurcroft Infant School	1		1
Treeton CE Primary School	1		1
Wales High School	7	2	9
Wath CE Primary School		2	2
Wath Central Primary School		1	1
Wath Comprehensive School: A Language College	4	2	6
Wath Victoria Primary School		1	1
Whiston Worrygoose Junior & Infant School	3		3
Wickersley School & Sports College	6	1	7
Wingfield Business & Enterprise College	12		12
Winterhill School	8	1	9
Woodsetts Primary School	1	2	3
Grand Total:	165	48	213