

**ROTHERHAM LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM**  
**SCHOOL ADMISSION APPEALS STATISTICS**

**Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2019**

**(1) Introduction**

This report is included on the agenda as the means of informing the Local Admissions Forum of the numbers of school admission appeals received and the appeal hearings taking place.

Statistics are included for the full academic years 2017/18 and also for the part-year, to date 2018/19 school year.

The separation of Local Authority schools and Faith schools has been used in this analysis, but there is no separation for the Academies.

**(2) Headline Statistics**

Primary School appeals account for 69.6% of all school admission appeals received.

Secondary School appeals account for 30.4%.

Local Authority maintained schools and the Academies account for 82% of appeals, with Faith Schools accounting for 18%. There are specific requirements affecting appeal panel membership for the Faith School appeals.

**(3) The calendar year of appeal hearings**

The following table lists the number of school days, in each calendar month, when school admission appeal hearings took place. Almost all were full days. Staff shortages at the Council have prevented the use of such “double sittings” since that time.

	2017	2018	2019			2017	2018	2019
January	3	3	3		July	8	8	
February	2	2	3		August	-	-	
March	3	4			September	4½	5	
April	4	3			October	4½	4	
May	11	9			November	3	3	
June	7	7			December	3	2	
					Totals	<b>44</b>	<b>50</b>	

June is favoured as the busiest month, but July has become problematic as it is shortened by the imminent ending of the school year.

#### (4) School Year 2017/18 - All Schools – Summary Statistics

##### (a) 2017/2018 - Secondary Schools

Secondary School	Number of Appeals	Upheld Allowed	Dismissed Refused	Allocated before hearing	Withdrawn	No conclusion
Aston	14	5	3	2	7	-
Clifton	8	4	2	1	1	-
Dinnington	1	-	-	1	-	-
Oakwood	33	8	18	4	10	M/M 1
Rawmarsh	4	-	4	-	-	-
Swinton	2	-	2	-	-	-
Thrybergh	5	-	2	-	1	2
Wales	18	4	3	9	1	M/M
Wath	12	3	7	-	1	1
Wickersley	80	34	29	2	13	3
Wingfield	3	-	2	-	-	1
Winterhill	2	2	-	-	-	-
Faith schools						
St Bernard's	40	10	19	4	4	3
St Pius X	23	11	6	4	2	-
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>81</b> (30.2%)	<b>97</b> (39.5%)	<b>27</b> (11%)	<b>40</b> (16%)	<b>11</b> (4.5%)

##### (b) 2017/2018 - Primary Schools

Primary School	Number of Appeals	Upheld Allowed	Dismissed Refused	Allocated before hearing	Withdrawn	No conclusion
<b>LEA Schools</b>	295	90	72	50	82	1
<b>Faith Schools</b>	54	15	24	6	8	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>105</b> (30%)	<b>96</b> (27.5%)	<b>56</b> (16%)	<b>90</b> (26%)	<b>2</b> (0.5%)

##### (c) 2017/2018 : Primary Schools Qualifying Measures

(ie: "30 limit" appeal cases)

Primary School Type	Number of Appeals	Dismissed Refused	Allocated before hearing	Withdrawn	ALLOWED Exceptionally
<b>LEA total</b>	53	23	10	11	9
<b>FAITH total</b>	9	6	1	1	1
<b>Overall Totals</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>29</b> (48%)	<b>11</b> (19%)	<b>12</b> (20%)	<b>10</b> (17%)