

**ROTHERHAM LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM  
SCHOOL ADMISSION APPEALS STATISTICS  
February 2026**

**(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 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 to date.

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

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

The following table lists the number of **full school days**, in each calendar month, when school admission appeal hearings took place.

<b>NUMBER OF FULL APPEAL DAYS</b>			
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
<b>January</b>	10	8	5
<b>February</b>	4	7	4
<b>March</b>	9	10	6
<b>April</b>	7	10	5
<b>May</b>	22	12	15
<b>June</b>	18	17	18
<b>July</b>	17	7	14
<b>August</b>	-	-	-
<b>September</b>	11	7	7.5
<b>October</b>	8	7	5
<b>November</b>	13	9	7
<b>December</b>	8	4	5.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>92</b>

**(3) School Year 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 to date - All Schools – Summary Statistics**

**(a) Secondary Schools (highlighted figures are part year)**

	Lodged			Upheld			Dismissed/Refused			Allocated			Withdrawn		
	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26
Aston	1	5	2	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
Brinsworth	16	4	2	5	0	0	1	1	0	5	2	1	5	1	1
Clifton	50	22	12	29	9	0	0	1	3	5	3	6	16	5	2
Dinnington	6	3	5	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	1	3	0	0
Maltby	6	13	1	3	4	0	0	1	0	0	5	0	3	2	1
Oakwood	62	62	75	17	19	10	21	21	44	8	11	5	16	7	12
Rawmarsh	18	20	16	5	16	9	1	0	0	6	2	4	6	2	2
Swinton	14	16	6	4	1	0	4	5	2	4	7	1	2	1	3
Thrybergh	7	6	7	3	1	2	3	2	1	0	4	1	1	1	2
Wales	36	31	31	5	5	13	10	12	5	7	1	4	14	9	7
Wath	87	94	38	24	23	8	41	44	16	3	6	3	19	20	9
Wickersley	46	42	55	24	21	23	13	7	15	0	6	3	9	6	9
Wingfield	55	52	34	24	22	18	20	20	4	2	5	2	9	3	6
Winterhill	21	7	18	7	1	3	1	1	4	2	3	6	11	1	4
<b>Faith schools</b>															
St Bernard's	34	53	77	5	12	12	17	28	36	4	1	8	8	9	20
St Pius X	50	55	8	13	17	2	24	24	3	6	5	1	7	6	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>79</b>

**(b) Primary Schools (highlighted figures are part year)**

Primary School	Lodged			Upheld			Dismissed/Refused			Allocated			Withdrawn		
	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26	23/24	24/25	25/26
Primary – all years	325	275	205	86	62	23	106	85	89	52	68	48	45	60	45
Faith Schools	41	39	13	9	8	0	12	12	6	11	9	2	6	10	5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>50</b>

**(c) 2023/24 & 2024/25 – Appeals received**

Schools	Number of Appeals received	
	2023/24	2024/25
Primary	325	275
Faith Primary	41	39
Secondary (All Schools)	509	485
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>799</b>

**Update**

- School appeals panels are secured for February and March 2026.
- Planning has started for the bulk appeals in 2026. Due to panel member and clerk availability, it is unlikely there will be more than 3 consecutive days of hearings per school, per week during this time.
- Recruitment of panel members is on-going; anyone interest can contact Sonia Gilbert for further information.
- Two new casual school appeals clerks have been appointed.
- Training for new panel members and clerks, for both school appeals and exclusions, is scheduled in March 2026.