

Summary of Consultation Responses Received from Darlington Schools

Admissions Criteria – Primary Education

The following schools responded to accept the proposed admission criteria:

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| Reid Street Primary School | Corporation Road Primary School |
| Holy Family | Mowden Infant School |
| Cockerton Primary School | Red Hall Primary School |
| Skerne Park Primary School | Hurworth Primary School |
| High Coniscliffe CE Primary School | Harrowgate Hill Primary School |
| Abbey Infant School | North Road Primary School |
| Abbey Junior School | Heathfield Primary School |
| Whinfield Primary School | |

The following schools responded with concerns about the proposed admission criteria:

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| School | Bishopton Redmarshall Primary School |
| Comments Received | <i>Please give urgent consideration to linking Sadberge and Bishopton (in a similar way that Associated Transport works for some Secondary schools)</i> |
| LA Response | The closest school for the children of Sadberge is Whinfield Primary School, although many choose to attend St George's Primary School. The LA cannot create artificial links to another primary school in order to boost their intake. In addition, the current financial pressures on the Council mean that it would not be cost effective to support this proposal. |
| Recommendation | Decline |

Primary School Indicated Admission Numbers

The following schools responded to accept their Admission number:

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| Reid Street Primary School | Corporation Road Primary School |
| Holy Family | Mowden Infant School |
| Cockerton Primary School | Red Hall Primary School |
| Skerne Park Primary School | Hurworth Primary School |
| High Coniscliffe CE Primary School | Harrowgate Hill Primary School |
| Abbey Infant School | North Road Primary School |
| Abbey Junior School | Heathfield Primary School |
| Whinfield Primary School | |

The following schools responded with concerns about their proposed admission number:

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| School | Heighington CE Primary School |
| Comments Received | <i>Governors request that the 2010-11 admission number remains at 34</i> |
| LA Response | The LA recommends an admission number of 40. The school is very popular but because it does not have a PAN which is in line with KS1 regulations the school consistently loses appeals (7 additional children admitted in 2008). |
| Recommendation | Approve an increase to 40 with review in subsequent admissions years |

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| School | Mowden Junior School |
| Comments Received | <i>Mowden Junior School's Admission is 62 not 60 as published. The Governors have asked me to request written confirmation from you that any literature containing Mowden Junior School's admission number will show 62.</i> |
| LA Response | As the school only provides education for KS2 pupils an increase to 62 would not have a detrimental effect on appeals. The school is popular. |
| Recommendation | Approve an increase to 62 |

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| School | Firthmoor Primary School |
| Comments Received | <i>Please look at attached information in support of our application to reduce our admission number as requested in earlier years. (Number to be reduced from 30 to **)</i> |
| LA Response | The LA strive to ensure all schools have admission numbers that are a multiple of 30 to comply with KS1 regulations. Although Firthmoor Primary school is not currently full in every year group, the LA's general shortage of school places predicates the need to keep the Admission number at 30. |
| Recommendation | Decline |

APPENDIX D

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| School | Whinfield Primary School |
| Comments Received | <i>The Governing Body raised concerns about the proposed increase to the admission limit for Harrowgate Hill Primary School as they felt this could impact on Whinfield Admissions.</i> |
| LA Response | Admissions Officers will visit Whinfield School to discuss pupil projections with the Headteacher and demonstrate the need for additional places. |
| Recommendation | No further action required |

Admissions Criteria – Secondary Education

The following schools responded to accept the proposed admission criteria:

Hurworth School
Longfield School

The following schools responded with concerns about the proposed admission criteria:

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| School | Education Village |
| Comments Received | <i>(i) The policy should include that Year 11 pupils are admitted only in exceptional circumstances; and (ii) The policy should make provision for co-ordinated admissions between Springfield and Haughton.</i> |
| LA Response | (i) Whilst the school is in ‘National Challenge’ the LA have agreed to support the proposal for Year 11 pupils. However, this must be reviewed on annual basis following release of their performance results. (ii) The LA does not support an ‘Associated Feeder Primary School’ policy and decline to do so in this case as it would set precedent for other schools in the future. |
| Recommendation | (i) Accept – with an annual review (ii) Decline |