

TRAFFORD COUNCIL

Report to: Executive
Date: 23rd January 2017
Report for: Decision
Report of: Executive Member for Children's Services

Report Title

Determination of the 2018 Admission Arrangements for Community and Voluntary Controlled School and Approval of Associated Documents

Summary

The Local Authority (LA), in its role as Admission Authority for community and voluntary controlled schools, is required to determine the 2018 admission arrangements for these schools by 28 February 2017.

i) **Trafford Primary/Infant/Junior Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools - 2018 admission arrangements**

The 2018 admission arrangements were proposed unchanged from the previous year.

ii) **Lostock College – 2018 Admission Arrangements**

Proposed unchanged.

iii) **2018 Community School Published Admission Numbers (PAN)**

The LA proposes an increase to the published admission number of Broadheath Primary School from 60 to 90. The proposal is made alongside a proposal to expand the physical capacity of the School.

The LA also proposes an increase to the published admission number of Firs Primary School from 45 to 60. The increased intake to be accommodated within the existing capacity of the School.

iv) **Co-ordinated Admission Schemes – Primary and Secondary**

The LA is responsible for the determination of co-ordinated admission schemes; both primary and secondary. These documents have also been included in the consultation process.

Recommendation(s)

That the arrangements, set out in the following documents be **approved**:

Appendix A	2018 Community School Published Admission Numbers (PAN).
Appendix B	Trafford Primary/Infant/Junior Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools – 2018 Admission Arrangements.
Appendix C	Lostock College – 2018 Admission Arrangements.
Appendix D	2018 Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme (Primary).
Appendix E	2018 Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme (Secondary).

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Background Papers: None

Implications:

Relationship to Policy Framework/Corporate Priorities	Preserving and improving educational excellence for all our children.
Financial	There are no financial implications for the Council's General Fund Budget. The increase in pupil numbers will be funded from Dedicated Schools Grant.
Legal Implications:	The proposed admission arrangements comply with School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and Co-ordination of Admission Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2012 and the School Admissions Code.
Equality/Diversity Implications	None
Sustainability Implications	None
Resource Implications e.g. Staffing / ICT / Assets	None
Risk Management Implications	None
Health & Wellbeing Implications	None
Health and Safety Implications	None

1.0 Background

Admission authorities must determine their 2018 admission arrangements by 28 February 2017. Where changes are proposed to admission arrangements, the admission authority must first publicly consult on those arrangements. Consultation must be for a minimum of 6 weeks and must take place between 1 October 2016 and 31 January 2017. This consultation period allows parents, other schools, religious authorities and the local community to raise any concerns about proposed admission arrangements.

Trafford LA has undertaken consultation with regard to the following policies and procedures:

i) **Trafford Primary/Infant/Junior Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools - 2018 admission arrangements;**

The oversubscription criteria for Trafford's community and voluntary controlled schools are proposed unchanged.

ii) **Lostock College - 2018 Admission Arrangements**

The oversubscription criteria for Lostock College are proposed unchanged.

iii) **2018 Community/Voluntary Controlled School PANs**

The LA proposes an increase in PAN at Broadheath Primary School from 2 (60 places) forms of entry to 3 forms of entry (90 places). The proposal is made in order to provide sufficient places for children in Altrincham and Sale, especially in those areas where oversubscription is likely. This increase is to be accommodated by the physical expansion of the School.

The LA also proposes an increase in PAN at Firs Primary School from 1.5 (45 places) forms of entry to 2 forms of entry (60 places). The proposal is made in order to provide sufficient places for children in Sale. This increase can be accommodated in the existing capacity at the School.

vi) **2018 Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme (Primary)**

The 2018 Primary Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme is proposed unchanged.

vii) **2018 Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme (Secondary)**

The 2018 Secondary Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme is proposed unchanged.

Other Options

- i) Failure to reach a determination on the 2018 admission arrangements by 28th February 2017 would be in contravention of the School Admissions Code and the School Admissions Regulations 2012.

Consultation

The governing bodies or trusts of all Trafford maintained and state funded schools, all Trafford elected members, other LAs and diocesan representatives from the Diocese of Chester, Manchester, Shrewsbury and Salford were advised that consultation would take place between 30th September 2016 and 11th November 2016 and advised that consultation documents could be viewed on Trafford's website. Notification of the consultation was included in Trafford's weekly update for childcare providers and also through social media channels for both early years providers and parents. An announcement was made in two local newspapers advising "relevant parents" and "other groups with an interest in the local area (for example, community groups)" that consultation papers were available on Trafford's website.

Trafford LA undertook consultation and published documents with regard to the following policies and procedures:

i) **Trafford Primary/infant/junior Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools - 2018 Admission Arrangements**

No comments were received as a result of the 2018 consultation process.

ii) **Lostock College - 2018 Admission Arrangements**

No comments or objections received.

iii) **2018 Community/Voluntary Controlled School PANs**

No comments or objections received.

vi) **2018 Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme (Primary)**

No comments or objections received.

vii) **2018 Co-ordinated Admissions Scheme (Secondary)**

No comments or objections received.

Reasons for Recommendation

The recommendations are made in order:

- a) to enable the admission authority, the LA, to meet its duty to provide sufficient places and to allocate school places within a reasonable distance; and
- b) to meet the requirements of the School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and Co-ordination of Admission Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2012 and the School Admissions Code.

Key Decision (as defined in the Constitution): Yes

If Key Decision, has 28-day notice been given? Yes

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CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE (electronic).....



To confirm that the Financial and Legal Implications have been considered and the Executive Member has cleared the report.