

DETERMINED ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE FOR ADMISSION IN 2025- 26

AND LOCALLY AGREED PROTOCOLS AND DEFINITIONS

ADDENDUM

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Local Authority (LA), as the admission authority for community and voluntary controlled schools in the Cambridgeshire County Council relevant area, is responsible for ensuring that when changes were proposed to these arrangements, they are subject to consultation for a period of six weeks which must start no earlier than 1st October and be completed by 31st January in the determination year.

2. PUBLISHED ADMISSION NUMBERS & CATCHMENT AREAS

- 2.1 As part of the admission arrangements for a school, the admission authority must set an admission number for the "relevant age group" i.e., the age group at which pupils are, or will normally be admitted to the school e.g., Reception, or Year 7. This is known as the Published Admission Number (PAN).
- 2.2 The School Admissions Code (2021) states that admission authorities are not required to consult on any proposals to increase a school's PAN. However, the PAN for a school should have regard to the capacity of the school.
- 2.3 Changes to the PAN at schools for which the LA is the admission authority are being proposed where:
 - a request has been received from the governing body or academy trust; and
 - the LA, as the admission authority for the school, considers a change to the PAN would be appropriate to reflect the circumstances of a particular school; or
 - a recalculation of the school capacity indicates a change would be appropriate; and
 - it is possible to have a more practical number.
- 2.4 Your views are sought on the following proposed changes, outlined in 2.5 below, which have been agreed by the governing bodies of the schools concerned and the local authority, as the admission authority for the school. If approved these changes will apply to the intake cohort with effect from September 2025 entry
- 2.5 Proposed changes to the PAN for admission to the school in September 2025 are:

PAN reductions:

- Priory Park Infant School From 90 to 60
- Priory Junior School From 90 to 60
- 2.6 Both schools have agreed that any pupils transferring from Priory Park Infant School to Priory Junior School (Year 2 to Year 3) in September 2025, 2026, and 2027 will be admitted to the Junior school, even if this year group is oversubscribed.
- 3. FURTHER INFORMATION
- 3.1 Details of all consultation documents can be found at: Annual Consultation 2025-26
- 3.2 The Department for Education School Admissions Code can be found at: School admissions code 2021 (publishing.service.gov.uk)
- 3.3 CONTACT

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