

## **Consultation on admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for 2017-2018**

Wokingham Borough Council is consulting on:

- the admission arrangements for all community and voluntary controlled schools for the 2017/2018 academic year
- proposed changes to admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for the 2017/2018 academic year including a proposed change to the designated area of Nine Mile Ride Primary School.

Full details of the consultation and the changes being proposed are available at:

[www.wokingham.gov.uk/admissionconsultation](http://www.wokingham.gov.uk/admissionconsultation).

### **Why are we consulting?**

The changes being proposed are as follows:

1. Clarification to criterion B to make it clear that it applies to “families who have exceptional medical or social needs as the grounds for their child’s admission to a particular school”
2. Amendment to the residency requirements to meet criteria D and E
3. Amendment to the wording relating to Crown Servants following the issuing of guidance by the Department for Education
4. Amendment to how we operate waiting lists and the requirement for parents to confirm annually, at the end of each academic year, whether they wish their child to remain on the waiting list for the following academic year
5. Proposal to increase the designated area of Nine Mile Ride Primary School to include a small area of the borough identified as not currently included in the designated area of any school
6. Proposal to prioritise two year olds attending school nurseries in the Foundation Stage 1 (F1) admission policy.

### **How can I respond to the consultation?**

The consultation on the admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools including the proposed changes will run from Monday 7 December 2015 to Wednesday 20 January 2016. If you would like to take part please complete the response form and forward to [admissions.review@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:admissions.review@wokingham.gov.uk). Please note that only response forms which are fully completed with the respondent’s name and address will be accepted.

### **What happens next?**

After the closing date, responses will be collated and presented to the Council's Executive Committee on 18 February 2016. It will decide whether or not to proceed with the proposed changes as well as determining the admission arrangements for all community and voluntary controlled schools for which no changes are proposed. Once determined the final admission

arrangements for all community and voluntary controlled schools will be placed on the council's website at [www.wokingham.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.wokingham.gov.uk/admissions).

### **Own admission authority school consultations**

A number of own admission authority schools are consulting on changes to the school's admission policy. Information is available on individual school websites and comments must be made to the school direct by the deadline.

All Saint's CE Aided Primary School – consultation opened November 16, 2015 and closes on January 15, 2016

[http://www.thelifecloud.net/schools/AllSaintsCE\(Aided\)PrimarySchoolWokingham/spaces/ParentsVisitors/resources/Menuheaderpages/SchoolAdmissions.page](http://www.thelifecloud.net/schools/AllSaintsCE(Aided)PrimarySchoolWokingham/spaces/ParentsVisitors/resources/Menuheaderpages/SchoolAdmissions.page)

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School – consultation opened November 4, 2015 and closes on December 16, 2015

<http://www.st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk/website/admissions/10015>

Evendons Primary School – consultation opened November 12, 2015 and closes on December 31, 2015

[http://www.evendons-primary.co.uk/?page\\_id=1172](http://www.evendons-primary.co.uk/?page_id=1172)

St Sebastian's CE Aided Primary School – consultation started on 3 December 2015 and ends on 31 January 2016.

<http://www.st-sebastians.wokingham.sch.uk/parents/admissions>

The Piggott School – consultation started on 7 December 2015 and ends on 20 January 2016

<http://www.piggott.wokingham.sch.uk/>