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Royal Borough
of Windsor &
Maidenhead

Consultation on the Royal Borough's school admissions arrangements

1. Proposed changes to the admissions arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools

THIS SURVEY WILL CLOSE AT MIDDAY ON WEDNESDAY 31st JANUARY 2024

The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead is consulting on changes to the admissions arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools within the borough.

These changes will affect admissions for entry to community and voluntary controlled schools in the borough from September 2025.

Voluntary Aided schools and academies (including free schools) have their own admissions arrangements and are not affected by the changes proposed here.

Summary of the proposed changes

There are two areas of proposed change:

A reduction in the Published Admission Number (PAN) for Homer First School and Nursery (<https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/schools-and-education/schools-and-schooling/schools-directory/homer-first-school-and-nursery>), from 45 to 30. This would be for children starting Reception in September 2025 and is in response to falling demand for Reception places in Windsor. There are currently 75 spare Reception places in Windsor, and this is expected to increase to 106 by September 2026. Analysis suggests that most children wanting a place at the school will continue to get one, even if the PAN is reduced to 30. The falling demand for school places in the town is a result of a reduced birth rate and fewer families moving into the town. Reducing the PAN at Homer First School will mean that the school has fewer empty places and can organise its classes more efficiently, helping to reduce pressure on the school's budget.

Note: Homer First School would like to reduce their PAN from 45 to 30 from September 2024, which would affect the Reception intake starting next year. This change can only be made if the Office of the Schools Adjudicator agrees to it.

A change to the designated area for Riverside Primary School and Nursery (<https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/schools-and-education/schools-and-schooling/schools-directory/riverside-primary-school-and-nursery>), extending it and moving the southern boundary from the A4 to the main London-Reading railway line. Frascati Way would be the western boundary (with the River Thames as the eastern boundary). This area includes a significant number of new dwellings and is currently in the designated area for Oldfield Primary School. This will continue to be the case - Oldfield Primary School's designated area will not be changed as part of this proposal.

No other changes to the school admissions arrangements for the Royal Borough are proposed. You can view the draft admissions arrangements here, including (on page 22) a map showing the existing and proposed designated areas for Riverside Primary School and Nursery.

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2. Procedure for responses

Responses to this consultation must be made by midday on Wednesday 31st January 2024.

You can respond by:

submitting this response form.

emailing us at rbwm.admissions@achievingforchildren.org.uk

Writing to us at School Admissions, RBWM, Zone F, Town Hall, St Ives Road, Maidenhead, SL6 1RF.

After the end of the consultation period, the local authority will need to consider any responses made and make a formal decision on its admissions arrangements by Wednesday 28th February 2024. These will then need to be published by Friday 15th March 2024.

Anyone then wishing to object to the admissions arrangements must submit an objection to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator by Wednesday 15th May 2024.

3. Questions

Questions about the proposals

If you have any questions about admissions arrangements or the proposed changes, you can contact us at rbwm.admissions@achievingforchildren.org.uk.

4. Response Form - About You

Please note that responses must be attributable to named individuals or organisations. Responses may be published, but all personal data will be removed. For further information on data protection, please see our [privacy notice \(https://www.achievingforchildren.org.uk/privacy-notices/public-consultations-and-surveys/\)](https://www.achievingforchildren.org.uk/privacy-notices/public-consultations-and-surveys/).

Your name: *

Your address *

5. Response Form - About You

Please indicate whether you are a parent or carer of a child or children of school age or younger.

I am: *

| | Yes | No |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| A parent/carers of a child/children of school age or younger | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

6. Response Form - About You

Please use the drop-down boxes below to indicate which school(s) your child or children attend.

Please complete all rows, selecting 'None' in any rows you don't need. *

I am a parent/carer of a child/children at:

School 1

School 2

School 3

Please use this box to indicate any 'other' school or early years provider not listed.

7. Response Form - About You

Please indicate whether you are a governor at one or more schools in the borough (if you answer 'Yes', you will be able to indicate which school(s) on the next page).

I am: *

A governor at: Yes No

8. Response Form - About You

Please use the drop-down boxes below to indicate which school(s) you are a governor at.

Please complete all rows, selecting 'None' in any rows you don't need. *

| | I am a governor at: |
|----------|----------------------|
| School 1 | <input type="text"/> |
| School 2 | <input type="text"/> |
| School 3 | <input type="text"/> |

Please use this box to indicate any 'other' school.

9. Response Form - About You

Please indicate whether you are a member of staff at one or more schools in the borough (if you answer 'Yes', you will be able to indicate which school(s) on the next page).

I am: *

| | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Yes | No |
| A member of staff at: | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

10. Response Form - About You

Please use the drop-down boxes below to indicate which school(s) you are a member of staff at.

Please complete all rows, selecting 'None' in any rows you don't need. *

I am a member of staff at:

School 1

School 2

School 3

Please use this box to indicate any 'other' school.

11. Response Form - About You

Please indicate whether you have another relationship with the school.

I am: *

| | Yes | No |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| A local resident living in the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Representing an organisation | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you are representing an organisation, or have another relationship with the school that is not shown, please give further details here.

12. Response Form - Your views on the reduction in Published Admission Number at Homer First School

Do you agree with the proposal to reduce the Published Admission Number (PAN) at Homer First School from 45 to 30 for 1st September 2025? *

- Yes, the proposed reduction in PAN at Homer First School and Nursery should go ahead.
- No, the proposal reduction in PAN at Homer First School and Nursery should not go ahead.
- I don't know whether the proposed reduction in PAN at Homer First School and Nursery should go ahead.
- I have no view on whether the proposed reduction in PAN at Homer First School and Nursery should go ahead.

If you have any comments relating to the proposal to reduce the PAN at Homer First School and Nursery, please give these below:

Do you agree that the PAN should be reduced from 45 to 30 for the September 2024 Reception intake? *

- Yes, the proposed change should happen in September 2024.
- No, the proposed change should not happen in September 2024.
- I don't know if the proposed change should happen in September 2024.
- I have no view on whether the proposed change should happen in September 2024.

If you have any comments relating to the proposal to reduce the PAN in September 2024, please give these below:

13. Response Form - Your views on the extension of the designated area for Riverside Primary School and Nursery

Do you agree with the proposal to extend the designated area of Riverside Primary School and Nursery? *

- Yes, the proposed extension of the designated area for Riverside Primary School and Nursery should go ahead.
- No, the proposed extension of the designated area for Riverside Primary School and Nursery should not go ahead.
- I don't know whether the proposed extension of the designated area for Riverside Primary School and Nursery should go ahead.
- I have no view on whether the proposed extension of the designated area for Riverside Primary School and Nursery should go ahead.

If you have any comments relating to the proposal to extend the designated area at Riverside Primary School and Nursery, please give these below:

14. Response Form - Your views on the any other aspect of the Royal Borough's admissions arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools

If you have any comments on any other aspects of the Royal Borough's school admissions arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools, please provide these below.

15. Submitting your response

You have now reached the end of our survey on the school admissions arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools in the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead.

If you are ready to submit your response, please click 'submit' below. By clicking 'submit' you give us permission to analyse and include your response in our results, in line with our privacy notice, which you can find here <https://www.achievingforchildren.org.uk/privacy-notice/> (<https://www.achievingforchildren.org.uk/privacy-notice/>).

If you are not ready to submit, you can return to previous questions, or save your response so that you can come back to it later, using the buttons below.

