

CHESHIRE EAST AUTHORITY**PROPOSALS TO REDUCE/INCREASE PUBLISHED ADMISSION NUMBERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2010**

Admission numbers are part of a school's admission arrangements. Admission regulations require that admission authorities set an admission number for the relevant year group, which is subject to consultation, based on the physical capacity of the school. Admission numbers must refer in each case to children to be admitted to the school for the first time.

Admission authorities may fix an admission number for a relevant age group that is lower than the capacity assessment. If they do so, they **must** publish this information for parents at the same time as they notify the bodies they are required to consult about the determination of their admission arrangements, who may object to the admission number. They can also set a higher admission number than that indicated by the capacity assessment.

This paper seeks comments on a number of proposals for reductions/increases in Published Admission Numbers (PAN) at various primary and secondary schools in Cheshire East Authority for September 2010-2011.

Comments on the proposed arrangements must be referred to the admission authority for the school before the closing date of 1 March 2009. Admission authorities will need to consider the responses before determining the admission arrangements, which must be 15 April 2009.

Proposed Changes for 2010 –2011

Part 1 - Reductions/increases proposed by, or supported by governing bodies which would bring Published Admission Numbers more in line with their school's net capacity are listed below. Proposals that the Local Authority recommends for approval are listed in Table A.

Table A
RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL - PROPOSED REDUCTIONS/INCREASES IN PUBLISHED ADMISSION NUMBERS

School	Current Net Capacity	Proposed Net Capacity	Current PAN	Proposed PAN for 2010
Bickerton Holy Trinity	126	140	18	20
Bollington St John's CE Primary	120	105	17	15
Bridgemere CE Aided Primary	84	105	12	15
Brierley Primary	210	161	30	23
Holmes Chapel Comp School	1180	1216	200	210
Monks Coppenhall	420	385	60	55
Sandbach School	1136	1167	195	210
St Paul's Catholic Primary	120	120	20	17
Shavington High	970	970	197	194
Wyche	200	196	30	28
Mablins Lane	567	504	81	75
Alsager School	1393	1393	225	235

Part 2 - Proposals by governing bodies to increase the published admission number for their school which the Local Authority recommends are not supported are listed in Table B. This recommendation is made as either the proposed change is not in line with the net capacity of the school, or the Authority has concerns about the long term implications for the school or other schools within the locality.

Table B
NOT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL - PROPOSED INCREASES IN PUBLISHED ADMISSION NUMBERS

School	Current Net Capacity	Proposed Net Capacity	Current Published Admission Number	Proposed Published Admission Number 2010
Lacey Green Primary	210	210	30	40
Lindow	150	180	21	25
St Mary's Congleton	180	180	27	30
Sandbach High School	1285	1285	210	240

Part 3 – Cheshire County Council, in its review of school places in the Alsager, Sandbach, Congleton and Holmes Chapel locality, has proposed the following changes to the published admission numbers of the following schools. Comments on these proposals must be returned by 1 March 2009.

Table C
PROPOSED REDUCTIONS/ INCREASES IN PUBLISHED ADMISSION NUMBERS SUBJECT TO ANTICIPATED CHANGES TO NET CAPACITIES DUE TO TLC PROPOSALS

School	Current Net Capacity	Proposed Net Capacity	Current Published Admission Number	Proposed Published Admission Number 2010
Alsager Highfields	233	263	40	37
Astbury St Mary's	112	126	16	18
Black Firs Primary	240	270	40	38
Bollington St John's CE Primary	120	105	17	15
Brereton CE	150	147	30	21
Buglawton Primary	178	210	30	30
Chelford CE Primary	105	60	15	9
Cranberry Primary	315	210	45	30
Daven Primary	390	210	60	30
Haslington Primary	329	280	50	40
Offley Primary	420	315	60	45
Sandbach Com Primary	210	105	30	15
Scholar Green	210	180	30	25
Smallwood CE	112	126	16	18
St John's CE Primary	150	180	30	25
Sandbach Heath				
Woodcocks' Well	103	89	15	12

Objections to Determined Admission Arrangements

Once responses have been considered by admission authorities arrangements must be determined by 15 April. Any objections to determined arrangements must be referred to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator, which must be before 31 July 2009.

The School Adjudicator can consider objections from parents, admission authorities, local authorities and the admission forum. Governing bodies of community and voluntary controlled schools can also object to the admission arrangements of other schools within the relevant area, although they may not object to the admission arrangements for other community and voluntary controlled schools whose admission arrangements have been determined by the local authority.

Full details of this process are available at www.schoolsadjudicator.gov.uk