

Supporting Information

- 1 October 2014 School Census based pupil forecasting data indicated the need to expand the number of Crewe primary school places in response to a forecast shortfall in capacity from September 2016 of 130 pupil places increasing to 313 by 2019. These forecasts took into account the demand arising from approved new housing development in the area as of 15 April 2015 of 214 pupil places.
- 2 The Department for Education basic need capital allocations are made to local authorities to support the capital requirement for providing new pupil places. Shortfalls in capacity are calculated by comparing the forecast pupil numbers in an academic year to capacity in each planning area with uplift by 2% being applied at planning area level to support an operational surplus. By including an operational surplus of 2%, which is intended to provide some spare capacity for accommodating reasonable journey times to school, some degree of parental choice and flexibility to allow for in-year admissions, the additional need forecast for 2019 increased to 429 pupil places. Full details were included in the consultation document, which is attached as **Appendix 1**.
- 3 Interim pupil forecasts using October 2015 School Census data are now available and these support the proposed change for Crewe of 420 additional places which, if approved, would allow for an increase in the reception intake of 60 pupil places. The 2015 interim forecasts, which include housing developments with planning approval at February 2016, indicate a shortfall in capacity from 2016 increasing to a need for 131 pupil places by 2020. By including a 2% operational surplus for this planning area the need increases to 240 school places by 2020. This is shown in the table below.

Crewe Planning Area Place Planning – Reception to Year 6, including approved housing in February 2016.

Reception – Year 6 Class Forecasts Shortfall (-) or Surplus Places (+)					Reception – Year 6 Class Forecasts Including 2% operational surplus.				
2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
-12	-79	-73	-81	-131	-121	-188	-182	-190	-240

Data source: October 2015 based pupil forecasts

- 4 The approved housing developments included in the 2015 forecasts are listed in the table below. The estimated number of school aged children from this new housing is referred to in the table as the 'pupil yield'¹.

¹ Pupil yields are derived from the number of new houses with 2 or more bedrooms planned for the development and to this is applied a formula to produce a pupil yield. The formula is number of 2+bedroomed houses multiplied by 0.19 to give a primary school yield and the number of 2+bedroomed houses multiplied by 0.13 to give a secondary school yield.

Housing Developments Pupil Yields

Housing Development	Primary School Catchment	Total Pupil Yield	Pupil Yields Included in Forecasts	Post 2021 Pupil Yield (Not included in Forecasts)
Former Victoria School Site	Beechwood	10	6	0 (4 included in 2014)
Site of 2 and 4 Heathfield Ave/29, 29a and 31 Hightown	Beechwood	2	2	0
Linden Court	Brierley	3	3	0
138 Sydney Road	Hungerford Academy	43	24	19
35-41 Mablins Lane	Mablins Lane	3	3	0
Land North of Parkers Road	Mablins Lane/Leighton Academy	65	40	25
Broughton Road, Crewe	Monks Coppenhall	22	22	0
Coppenhall East	Monks Coppenhall	102	50	52
Former Royal Scot Pub, Plane Tree Drive,	Monks Coppenhall	2	2	0
Land West Of, Broughton Road,	Monks Coppenhall	10	10	0
Maw Green	Monks Coppenhall	27	25	0 (2 included in 2014 forecasts)
Bradfield Road	St Michael's Academy	2	2	0
Bombardier	Underwood West	21	21	0
Land to the north of Wistaston Green Road, Wistaston	Wistaston Academy	27	24	3
Land to rear of, the rectory, 44, Church Lane, Wistaston	Wistaston Church Lane	2	2	0
Total		341 (236+105)	236	99 (total housing yield of 105)

- 5 The table above shows that an estimated 99 additional pupil places could be needed beyond the forecasting period based on the approved housing developments and pupil yield methodology as at February 2016. In addition, there have been a further 2 new housing developments approved for this area since these forecasts were produced with a total pupil yield of 5 pupils.

Housing Development Application	Proposed Number of Dwellings	Primary School Catchment	Total Primary Pupil Yield
Land off Bridge Inn	14	St Michael's Academy	3
Land Southwest of Thorneyfields Farm	12	Hungerford Academy	2
Total	26		5

- 6 It is therefore useful to take these yields into account when considering school organisation proposals. This data is shown in the table below.

Crewe Planning Area - Reception to Year 6, including approved housing in February 2016.

2020 Forecast Need including Approved Housing Pupil Yield	Additional Pupil Yield beyond 2020	Pupil Yield Post February approved housing	Total Need	Total Need with 2% Operational Surplus
-131	-99	-5	-235	-344

- 7 There continues to be a significant impact on school places arising from new housing developments in the area. In addition to the aforementioned developments, there are other planning applications that at the time of producing this report are unresolved, which; if approved, would together yield an estimated 130 pupils. These are shown in the table below:

Housing Development Application	Proposed Number of Dwellings	Primary School Catchment	Total Primary Pupil Yield	Status
Sydney Road Phase 2	250	Hungerford Academy	48	Awaiting decision
Broughton Road (2)	105	Monks Coppenhall	20	Awaiting decision
Former Edleston Road School	46	Edleston Primary	8	Awaiting decision
Wistaston Church Lane	300	Wistaston Church Lane	54	Under Appeal
Total	701		130	

- 8 These unresolved developments, as shown in the table above, would generate a total need for this area of 365 pupil places and by including a necessary 2% operational surplus, the need for Crewe increases to 474 pupil places using the latest forecasts data.
- 9 On the basis of the housing data, there is a risk that the Local Authority will be unable meet its statutory duty to provide a sufficiency of school places for Crewe children unless changes are agreed.