

2019/20 Admissions policy consultation

Briefing note



Each year the local authority is required to determine its admissions arrangements by 28th February for the coming year's intake. For admission in September 2019, the Leeds City Council Admission Policy must be determined by 28th February 2018. Where any changes are proposed, these must be consulted on for a period of 6 weeks.

Having reviewed the outcomes of the admission round for 2017, there is no intention to propose significant changes to the Leeds City Council Admissions policy for 2019/20, although there is a need for some minor amends to introduce greater clarity and accuracy.

Below is a summary of the changes intended for inclusion in the consultation:

Overview of the proposed change	Primary policy	Secondary Policy
Minor grammatical amends and dates updated for accuracy	✓	✓
1a) change to include previously looked after as this is included in the definition in the footnote but was not clear in the priority wording	✓	✓
Priority 3 – tie break was no longer relevant as there are now only the four geographically spread Infant and Junior Schools , therefore amended to include the straight line tie break applicable for all other priorities	✓	n/a
Note 2 – clarification of the children who will receive 1a priority, including revision to the wording around Residency Order as these no longer exist and have been replaced by Child Arrangements Order	✓	✓
Note 5 – updated to reflect that the council now uses the LLPG rather than PAF for address information. This does not change the point on any household that the system measures, but simply improves the frequency of updates to our system.	✓	✓
Addresses – information added to outline that if it is found that a false address has been given with the aim of fraudulently securing a school place, that place may be withdrawn, even if the child has already started at the school. This information has always been included in our supporting information, but not in the policy.	✓	✓
Annex A added – with all PANs for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools, with no changes planned from the 2018 published figures for Primary.	✓	n/a
Annex A added – with all PANs for Community Schools. Some changes as detailed below:	n/a	✓
Carr Manor Through School shows a reduction in PAN of 30 places, in line with the statutory notice published in April 2011 which highlighted the need for the PAN to reduce in 2019 when the primary element of the through school has a Y6 cohort ready to transition to Y7. This does not reduce the number of places available in Y7, but reduces the number of places available to external applicants.	n/a	✓
Reduction in PAN of 60 places shown for Roundhay Through School Y7 in line with the published statutory notice in 2015 which highlighted the need for the PAN to reduce in 2019 when the primary element of the through school has a Y6 cohort ready to transition to Y7. This does not reduce the number of places available in Y7, but reduces the number of places available to external applicants.	n/a	✓

Coordination Scheme

Dates updated for the 2019/20 round.

Secondary – David Young testing information removed as the school has now changed name and admissions policy and no longer holds tests