# **Outer North West Community Committee**

School place planning update

Date: November 2023



## Purpose of this report

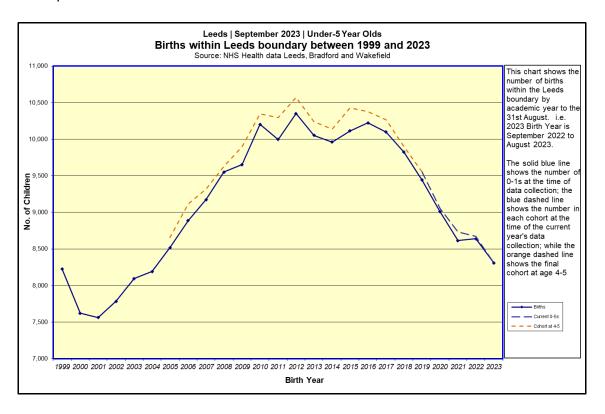
- To provide an update to ward members, headteachers and governors with regards to school place planning and demographics across the Outer NW.
- The accompanying data and information sheets are presented by primary planning area and secondary planning area. These will cover: Guiseley/Yeadon/Rawdon, Otley, Horsforth and Cookridge and Adel for primary place planning. For secondary place planning these will cover: Inner North West, Outer North West and Otley.
- The planning areas are internal boundaries built around pupil movement and avoid natural barriers.
   These help monitor pupil movement and support demographic planning. On most occasions they will align or incorporate the relevant ward boundaries.

### **Background information**

- The attached data and information sheets have been updated with the most recent NHS 0-5s data, which is used to plan places over the next 4 years. In addition, data from the final allocations to both reception class and Year 7, as of the 1<sup>st</sup> September has been added, to show trends over previous academic years.
- The forecasted data is updated every January following the receipt of the school census data.

# **Key Headlines**

• The city wide the birth rate continues to fall with the latest figures based on children born September 2022 to August 2023 at 8,305. This is the lowest number of births across the city since 2004 as shown in the graph below. Most primary schools across the city are seeing falling rolls and many are reducing Published Admission Numbers (PAN) to align with this. Secondary schools in general are still seeing growth, with the latest allocations for September being the highest Y7 intake for over a decade. This growth is expected to start to decline from 2028.



- Primary Places Guiseley/Yeadon/Rawdon: The birth rate has fallen again and although only a slight
  decline on last years birth numbers, it represents a 34% decline from the births of 2017. With some
  schools consulting on lowering PAN, the surplus across the area will reduce from 2025, but based on
  the latest data, further reductions of PAN are recommended to align with the expected numbers of
  children coming through.
- **Primary Places Otley:** A peak of births forecasted pressure for places between 2020 and 2022, and plans were being established to create bulge cohorts. This wasn't required at the time and fluctuations in births in the area mean some years it is forecasted to be a 15% surplus across all schools combined. If the large housing development in this area comes forward, then additional places are likely to be required unless births have fallen further at the point of build.
- **Primary Places Horsforth:** Although births are declining in this area, demand for school places still continues to be higher than many areas in comparison. There has been some very small surplus in the last couple of years and tends to be at one or two schools rather than across all.
- Primary Places Cookridge & Adel: The lower birth numbers over the past 5 years are starting to
  create low levels of surplus places across some schools. The latest birth rate is a concern and
  represents a 16% drop on the cohort that have just entered reception class. As with Horsforth, an
  area where places coming forward will need to be monitored.
- Secondary Places Outer North West: The level of PAN (740) across the three schools appears to be right for the foreseeable future. Cohorts tend to fluctuate (based on catchment data) but preference and allocations for all schools appear to be fairly consistent.
- Secondary Places Otley: The school tends to fill to its PAN and have waiting lists. Cohort data (based
  on catchment) shows some slight growth, but 2027 and 2028 forecasts are higher than PAN due to
  the radius of where the school draws children from. This will need to be monitored for those years,
  against other schools in the ONW to determine whether any bulge cohorts are required.
- Secondary Places Inner North West: Demographic growth across this area has shown all schools full in Year 7 for past two years with additional temporary places having to be added. Cohorts of catchment children and forecasts shows one to two forms of entry increase between 2026 and 2028, which will need to be managed on a temporary basis where possible.

## Guiseley/Yeadon/Rawdon Primary Planning Area (PPA) - Reception data 2020-2027 (October 2023)

SCHOOL NAME	Number of places available in		er of child Reception t school co	1	Final Top Up	•	ted area to starting R	
	Reception for 2024	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Guiseley Primary School	60	59	57	45	52			
St Oswald's C of E Primary School	60	50	40	53	49			
Hawksworth C of E Primary School	15	13	10	14	11			
Queensway Primary School	30	27	24	10	13			
Tranmere Park Primary School	45	45	45	42	44			
Rufford Park Primary School	45	33	45	32	39	336	318	288
SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School	30	30	30	27	30			
Rawdon Littlemoor Primary School	45	45	45	45	45			
Rawdon St Peter's C of E Primary School	45	44	46	45	45			
Yeadon Westfield Infant School	45	53	60	48	34			
Totals	420	399	402	361	362			

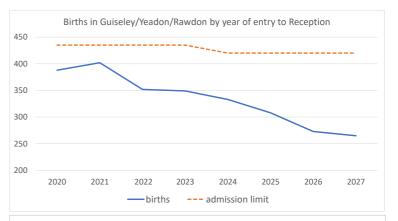
#### City-wide context

Total birth numbers across the city over the past 6 years have fallen from 10,100 to just over 8,300. The impact of this decline is resulting in lower intakes into Reception classes each year, with some areas of the city affected more than others.

### Guiseley/Yeadon/Rawdon context

- Births have dropped significantly in this area from a peak of 402 births for the cohort of children starting in Reception in 2021 to 265 births for the cohort of children due to start in 2027, a decline of 137 children over the last 6 years.
- The number of children in this PPA has tended to increase from birth to when children start school; for example the 2022 Reception cohort rose from 352 at birth to 359 at age 4-5. However, the 2023 cohort did not grow.
- There have been between 8% and 17% surplus Reception places across the area over the last 3 years (based on 435 available places Yeadon Westfield Infants reduced their Published Admission Number from 2024).
- Any housing developments that are under construction within the planning area, are factored into the projections.
   There are no significant housing developments in this area at the current time.
- The majority of schools in this PPA are their own admission authorities and the Governing Body/Trust have responsibility for setting the admission arrangements including the school's Published Admission Number (PAN).

Cohort sizes in Guiseley/Yeadon/Rawdon by year of entry to Reception (based on nearest children)											
Year         2020         2021         2022         2023         2024         2025         2026         2027											
Births	388	402	352	349	333	308	273	265			
Cohort size at Age 4-5	398	410	359	348	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			



#### Sufficiency position and actions for Guiseley/Yeadon/Rawdon

The total number of Reception places in this area (420) is forecasted to be more than will be required between 2024 and 2027 and we anticipate there will continue to be a high level of vacancies in schools if the number of places are not reduced further.

### Otley Primary Planning Area (PPA) - Reception data 2020-2027 (October 2023)

SCHOOL NAME	Number of places available in		er of child Reception t school c	1	Final Top Up	•	ojected area totals of dren starting Reception	
	Reception for 2024	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Ashfield Primary School	30	30	30	31	24			
Otley All Saints C of E Primary School	30	29	31	29	25			
Otley The Whartons Primary School	30	30	30	29	30	135	121	105
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Otley	30	30	28	26	23	133	121	103
Westgate Primary School	30	30	27	30	27			
Totals	150	149	146	145	129			

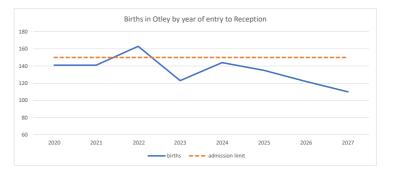
	Cohort sizes in Otley by year of entry to Reception (based on nearest children)											
Year	Year         2020         2021         2022         2023         2024         2025         2026         2027											
Births	Births 141 141 163 123 144 135 122 110											
Cohort size at Age 4-5	166	149	164	139	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				

#### City-wide context

Total birth numbers across the city over the past 6 years have fallen from 10,100 to just over 8,300. The impact of this decline is resulting in lower intakes into Reception classes each year, with some areas of the city affected more than others.

#### Otley context

- The number of children in Otley tends to increase from birth to when children start school; for example the 2020 Reception cohort rose from 141 at birth to 166 at age 4-5.
- The projections for the area suggest that the Reception cohorts will decrease by 2026.
- Any housing developments that are under construction within the planning area are already factored into the
  projections. There is a potential large development of up to to 750 new homes, should planning permission be
  granted, which is not yet factored into projections. Only when there is a start date and construction schedule
  available would this development be factored into the projections going forward.
- There is a mix of community and voluntary controlled schools and academies in this PPA. For community and voluntary controlled schools the local authority is the admission authority. Other types of school/academy are their own admission authorities and it is the Governing Body/Trust who have responsibility for setting the admission arrangements including the school's Published Admission Number (PAN).



## Sufficiency position and actions for Otley

The total number of Reception places in this area (150) is sufficient to meet expected demand in the short term (2024 to 2027). However, were the planned large new housing development to come forward, plans would be established to manage any additional demand for school places this would create. Land would be provided within the development for school provision, should this be required.

#### Horsforth Primary Planning Area (PPA) - Reception data 2020-2027 (October 2023)

SCHOOL NAME	Number of places available in Reception		er of child Reception t school c	1	Final Top Up	•	ted area to starting R	
	for 2024	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Broadgate Primary School	60	60	61	58	53			
Horsforth Featherbank Primary School	30	30	30	30	30			
Horsforth Newlaithes Primary School	60	60	59	60	60			
St Margaret's C of E VC Primary School	60	60	59	60	58	280	269	274
St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Horsforth - A	30	30	29	31	30	200	203	2/4
West End Primary School	30	30	46	29	30			
Westbrook Lane Primary School	30	31	30	30	29			
Totals	300	301	314	298	290			

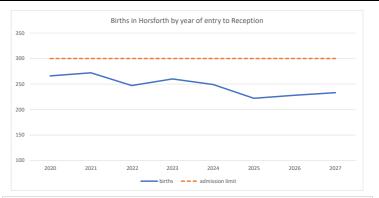
#### City-wide context

Total birth numbers across the city over the past 6 years have fallen from 10,100 to just over 8,300. The impact of this decline is resulting in lower intakes into Reception classes each year, with some areas of the city affected more than others.

#### **Horsforth context**

- The number of children in Horsforth tends to increase from birth to when children start school; for example the 2022 Reception cohort rose from 247 at birth to 261 at age 4-5.
- Within this PPA there is some demand for places from families living outside the area, rather than just being local demand, resulting in a net gain of pupils into the area when places are allocated.
- · Any housing developments that are under construction within the planning area are factored into the projections.
- The projections for the area suggest that the Reception cohorts will be smaller from 2024 to 2026 than they have been for the last few years.
- There is a mix of community, voluntary controlled schools and academies in this PPA. For community and voluntary
  controlled schools the local authority is the admission authority. Academies are their own admission authorities and
  it is the Governing Body/Trust who have responsibility for setting the admission arrangements including the school's
  Published Admission Number (PAN).

	Cohort sizes in Horsforth by year of entry to Reception (based on nearest children)										
Year         2020         2021         2022         2023         2024         2025         2026         2027											
Births	266	272	247	260	249	222	228	233			
Cohort size at Age 4-5	302   291   261   267   n/a   n/a   n/a   n/a										



# Sufficiency position and actions for Horsforth

The total number of Reception places in this area (300) is sufficient to meet expected demand.

It is recommended that schools monitor their levels of vacancies and the impact that lower numbers of births across the area may have on them in the future.

#### Cookridge/Adel Primary Planning Area (PPA) - Reception data 2020-2027 (October 2023)

SCHOOL NAME	Number of places available in Reception		Number of children in Reception (at Oct school census)			Projected area totals of children starting Reception		
	for 2024	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Adel Primary School	30	30	30	29	30			
Adel St John The Baptist C of E Primary School	30	30	29	29	30			
Cookridge Primary School	45	46	45	45	45			
Holy Name Catholic Voluntary Academy	30	30	30	30	30	279	258	284
Cookridge Holy Trinity C of E Primary School	60	60	58	56	59	2/9	230	204
Ireland Wood Primary School	60	61	59	59	52			
Iveson Primary School	60	58	42	41	48			
Totals	315	315	293	289	294			

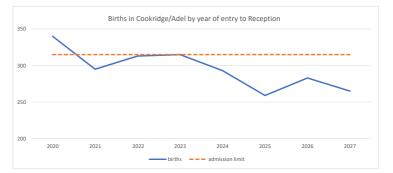
#### City-wide context

Total birth numbers across the city over the past 6 years have fallen from 10,100 to just over 8,300. The impact of this decline is resulting in lower intakes into Reception classes each year, with some areas of the city affected more than others.

## Cookridge/Adel context

- The number of children in this PPA tends to increase from birth to when children start school; for example the 2022 Reception cohort rose from 313 at birth to 336 at age 4-5. However, the 2023 cohort did not grow.
- The trend has been for some families living in this PPA to seek places in neighbouring planning areas, resulting in a net loss of pupils from the area when places are allocated.
- There have been between 0 and 26 surplus Reception places across the area over the last 4 years.
- Any housing developments that are under construction within the planning area are factored into the projections. Construction is underway on a new housing development at Woodside Vale.
- The projections for the area suggest that the Reception cohorts will be smaller from 2024 to 2026 than they have been for the last few years.
- The majority of schools in this PPA are their own admission authorities and the Governing Body/Trust have responsibility for setting the admission arrangements including the school's Published Admission Number (PAN).

Cohort sizes in Cookridge/Adel by year of entry to Reception (based on nearest children)											
Year         2020         2021         2022         2023         2024         2025         2026         2027											
Births	340	295	313	315	293	259	283	265			
Cohort size at Age 4-5	346   317   336   311   n/a   n/a   n/a   n/a										



## Sufficiency position and actions for Cookridge/Adel

The total number of Reception places in this area (315) is sufficient to meet expected demand. It is recommended that schools monitor their levels of vacancies and continue to promote their offer within the local community.

## Bramhope/Pool Primary Planning Area (PPA) - Reception data 2020-2027 (October 2023)

SCHOOL NAME	Number of places available in Reception		er of child Reception t school co	1	Final Top Up			
	for 2024	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Bramhope Primary School	60	62	59	59	60			
Pool-in-Wharfedale C of E VC Primary School	30	29	30	23	29	75	80	100
Totals	90	91	89	82	89			

#### City-wide context

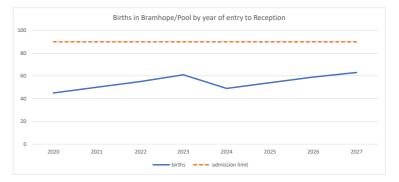
Total birth numbers across the city over the past 6 years have fallen from 10,100 to just over 8,300. The impact of this decline is resulting in lower intakes into Reception classes each year, with some areas of the city affected more than others.

### **Bramhope/Pool context**

- Births from 2021 onwards have been higher than in 2020, and are likely to have been influenced by the impact of new housing in the area.
- The number of children in Bramhope/Pool tends to increase from birth to when children start school; for example the 2022 Reception cohort rose from 55 at birth to 85 at age 4-5.
- The large housing development at Breary Lane of 330 dwellings is almost complete, and the forecasted pupils
  expected from this has been built into the projections. The large increases in cohort from birth to 4-5 year olds
  represents additional children expected from this development.
- Projections for 2024-2026 show an increase across the two schools, which we would expect due to the housing.
   However, the projections will also be taking account of previous bulge cohorts added in to Bramhope and may be slightly inflated for 2026 because of this.

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Co	Cohort sizes in Bramhope/Pool by year of entry to Reception (based on nearest children)										
Year         2020         2021         2022         2023         2024         2025         2026         2027											
Births	45	50	55	61	49	54	59	63			
Cohort size at Age 4-5	80	79	85	89	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			



#### Sufficiency position for Bramhope/Pool

The total number of Reception places in this area (90) is sufficient to meet expected demand and future cohort growth will be monitored to determine whether this continues to be the case.

# Secondary school place planning update - Outer North West Secondary Planning Area (SPA)

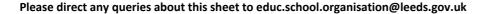
School Name	PAN
School Name	2024
St Mary's Menston, A Catholic Voluntary Ac	200
Guiseley School	240
Benton Park School	300
Totals	740

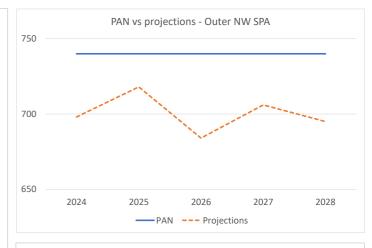
	on roll in October isus	National Offer day allocation	Final Top Up		•	area totals to enter Y		n
2021	2022	20	23	2024 2025 2026 2027 2028				
202	200	200	200					
241	237	240	248	698 718 684 706				695
300	292	300	300	_ 096				033
743	729	740	748	1				

Cohort size by year of entry to Year 7 (based on children living nearest to each school at Oct 2022 census in Years 1 to 6)							
2023 (Yr 6 Oct 22)	2024 (Yr 5 Oct 22)	2026 (Yr 3 Oct 22)	2027 (Yr 2 Oct 22)	2028 (Yr 1 Oct 22)			
393	374	385	340	363	372		

## **Sufficiency comments**

- The number of children starting secondary school in Year 7 across the city has grown from around 8,500 to around 10,000 in recent years. This growth resulted in the expansion of many existing schools/academies as well as new academy / free schools being established to accommodate additional pupils. It is estimated that cohorts will remain around 10,000 (citywide) for the next 5 years and will then start to decline from 2029 onwards as births have been lower in recent years.
- Secondary projections take into account historical numbers of Year 7 pupils attending schools in the SPA as well as the number of children in each year group at the feeder primary schools. Any housing developments that are under construction within the SPA are also factored into the projections.
- Within this SPA there is some demand for places from families living outside the area, rather than just being local demand, resulting in a net gain of pupils into the area when places are allocated.
- Projections for the Outer North West SPA suggest that there will be sufficient places from 2024 to 2028.





# **Sufficiency position for Outer North West SPA**

The total number of Year 7 places in this area (740) is forecasted to be sufficient between 2024 and 2028.

# Secondary school place planning update - Otley Secondary Planning Area (SPA)

School Name	PAN
School Name	2024
Prince Henry's Grammar School	255

Number on roll in Year 7 at October census		National Offer day allocation	Final Top Up	Projected area totals of children due to enter Year 7				n
2021	2022	2023		2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
260	242	255	251	261	256	264	293	282

Cohort size by year of entry to Year 7 (based on children living nearest to school at Oct 2022 census in Years 1 to 6)								
2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028								
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159	164	151	164	173	158			

## **Sufficiency comments**

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  around 10,000 in recent years. This growth resulted in the expansion of many existing schools/academies as well
  as new academy / free schools being established to accommodate additional pupils. It is estimated that cohorts
  will remain around 10,000 (citywide) for the next 5 years and will then start to decline from 2029 onwards as
  births have been lower in recent years.
- Secondary projections take into account historical numbers of Year 7 pupils attending schools in the SPA as well as the number of children in each year group at the feeder primary schools. Any housing developments that are under construction within the SPA are also factored into the projections.
- Within this SPA there is some demand for places from families living outside the area, rather than just being local demand, resulting in a net gain of pupils into the area when places are allocated.
- Projections for the Otley SPA suggest that some additional places could be required in 2027 and 2028.
   Projections can be skewed by the wide reach that the school pulls from including areas outside of the SPA.
   Demand will be closely monitored over the next few years to determine whether additional places are required.

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# **Sufficiency position for Otley SPA**

The total number of Year 7 places in this area (255) is forecasted to be sufficient between 2024 and 2026, some additional places may be required in 2027 and 2028.

# Secondary school place planning update - Inner North West Secondary Planning Area (SPA)

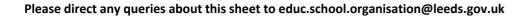
School Name	PAN	
	2024	
Ralph Thoresby School	180	
Lawnswood School	270	
Horsforth School	285	
Abbey Grange C of E Academy	240	
Totals	975	

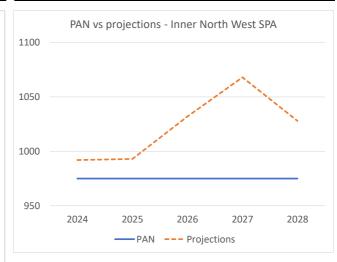
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Number on roll in Year 7 at October census		National Offer day allocation	Final Top Up	Projected area totals of children due to enter Year 7				n	
2021	2022	20	23	2024 2025		2026	2027	2028	
184	181	190	193						
257	250	270	271						
281	283	285	286	992	993	1032	1068	1028	
243	240	240	240						
965	954	985	990						

Cohort size by year of entry to Year 7 (based on children living nearest to each school at Oct 2022 census in Years 1 to 6)							
2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028							
(Yr 6	(Yr 5	(Yr 4 Oct 22)	(Yr 3	(Yr 2	(Yr 1 Oct 22)		
Oct 22)	Oct 22)		Oct 22)	Oct 22)			
797	798	804	841	884	817		

## **Sufficiency comments**

- The number of children starting secondary school in Year 7 across the city has grown from around 8,500 to
  around 10,000 in recent years. This growth resulted in the expansion of many existing schools/ academies as
  well as new academy / free schools being established to accommodate additional pupils. It is estimated that
  cohorts will remain around 10,000 (citywide) for the next 5 years and will then start to decline from 2029
  onwards as births have been lower in recent years.
- The number of children living in the Inner North West SPA has risen over the last decade which led to the permanent expansion of places at Horsforth School from 2022.
- Secondary projections take into account historical numbers of Year 7 pupils attending schools in the SPA as well as the number of children in each year group at the feeder primary schools. Any housing developments that are under construction within the SPA are also factored into the projections.
- Within this SPA there is some demand for places from families living outside the area, rather than just being local demand, resulting in a net gain of pupils into the area when places are allocated.
- Projections for the Inner North West SPA suggest that there will be demand for places above the current PAN level between 2024 and 2028, however, this demand is not all driven by local families.
- It is anticipated that pressure for in-year places (applications for Years 7 to 11 throughout the academic year) will also remain significant in the Inner North West SPA.





# **Sufficiency position for Inner North West SPA**

The total number of Year 7 places in this area (975) is forecasted to be insufficient between 2024 and 2028.

Conversations will be held with schools/trusts about any shortfall in places and options to address this demand, including admitting over PAN.