

## Executive 12<sup>th</sup> November 2007

# Report from the Director of Children and Families

Wards Affected: ALL

# Review and determination of the relevant area for consultation on school admissions arrangements

Forward Plan Ref: C&F-07/08-008

### 1.0 Summary

1.1 This report advises the Executive of the need to formally decide either to continue with the current arrangements or determine a new 'Relevant Area for Consultation on Admissions Arrangements.'

#### 2.0 Recommendations

2.1 The Executive are recommended to agree to the retention of the current Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements as detailed in paragraph 3.9 below.

#### 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The Education (Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements)
  Regulations 1999 required the Local Education Authority to determine a
  Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements in 1999.
- 3.2 The Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements informs the process of consultation which Admission Authorities in the borough must undertake for their admissions arrangements.

The Education (Determination of admissions arrangements) Regulations 1999 (as amended) lay out the requirements for consultation as part of the process of determining admissions arrangements for a school. As part of this process, the admission authority for each primary school is required to consult with all other primary school admission authorities within the Relevant Area. The admissions Authority for each secondary school must also consult with all admission authorities within the Relevant Area.

- 3.3 The Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements must cover, as a minimum, the area of the Borough but can, if appropriate, extend further than this area.
- 3.4 In 1999 the Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements was determined as the area comprising the area of the Borough of Brent. This was in line with other London Boroughs who each decided upon an Area composed solely of their own boroughs. This position was confirmed in 2001, 2003 and again in 2005.
- 3.5 The Education (Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999 (Regulations 11 (1) and (2)) require that the Local Education Authority review their initial determination within the period of 2 years after the initial determination was made.
- 3.6 Officers have carried out a review and consultation exercise with those bodies listed in Regulation 6 of the above regulations. For the purposes of this consultation it is necessary to consult every neighbouring education authority, every admission authority for a local school, and the admission authority of any primary school within 1.6 kilometres or of any secondary school within 4.8 kilometres from the border of the education authority's area. The Consultation document is attached as appendix 1.
- 3.7 Only one comment was received following the consultation. We have received a request from St Mary's CE High School in Barnet to be included in the consultation process. Their reasons for this are "1. A significant proportion of our intake each year lives in the borough of Brent. 2. Any changes to school admission arrangements in Brent are likely to impact our own admissions. 3. St Mary's is not included in the current area and so would not be aware of any proposed changes and would be unable to comment upon them."
- 3.8 Of 2995 Brent applicants who transferred this September only 39 preferences were made for St Mary's CE High School. 14 applicants finally accepted a place there. As this is a very small proportion of applications from Brent residents it is not felt necessary to extend our Relevant Area to include St Mary's CE High School.
- 3.9 The Executive are recommended to agree that the current Relevant Area for Consultation on Admissions Arrangements remain in force. That is that the Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements should comprise only the area of the borough, and that there is no new determination of this Area.

#### 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications as this report deals only with determining the area within which consultation on school admissions arrangements must take place.

#### 5.0 Legal Implications

- 5.1 The School Standards and Framework Act, 1998 requires that Admissions Authorities follow a particular framework in determining admissions to schools. Part of this framework is established through the determination of a 'Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements.' The Education (Relevant Areas for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999 require that the Local Education Authority periodically review and consider their existing arrangements in this respect.
- 5.2 The review of the initial Relevant Area for Consultation must take place no later than two years after the initial determination of this Area.

#### 6.0 Diversity Implications

- 6.1 None
- 7.0 Staffing/Accommodation Implications (if appropriate)
- 7.1 None

### **Background Papers**

School Standards and Framework Act 1998

The Education (Relevant Areas for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999

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#### Appendix 1

School Circular No: 2682 Date of Issue: 22/08/2007

**Title: Relevant Area Consultation** 

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Type: Consultation F.A.O Headteachers, Governors,

**Admission Officers** 

I am writing to consult you on the proposal that the Relevant Area for Consultation on school admission arrangements **remains** as previously determined. This will mean that the Relevant Area remains the area **within the borough boundary**.

I have summarised the legislation that we are working to for your information below:

The School Standards and Framework Act, 1998 requires that Admissions Authorities follow a particular framework in determining admissions to schools. Part of this framework is established through the determination of a 'Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements.' The Education (Relevant Areas for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999 require that the Local Education Authority periodically review and consider their existing arrangements in this respect.

The review of the initial Relevant Area for Consultation must take place no later than two years after the initial determination of this Area. The Education (Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999 required the Local Education Authority to determine a Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements in 1999.

The Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements informs the process of consultation which Admission Authorities in the borough must undertake for their admissions arrangements. Foundation and VA Primary schools in Brent are required to consult with all other primary school admission authorities within the Relevant Area. Foundation and VA Secondary schools are required to consult with all admission authorities within the Relevant Area.

The Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements must cover, as a minimum, the area of the Borough but can, if appropriate, extend further than this area.

In 1999 the Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements was determined as the area comprising the area of the Borough of Brent. This was in line with other London Boroughs who each decided upon an Area composed solely of their own boroughs. This position was confirmed in 2001, 2003 and again in 2005.

The Education (Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements) Regulations 1999 (Regulations 11 (1) and (2)) require that the Local Education Authority review their initial determination within the period of 2 years after the initial determination was made.

If you have any comments on the proposed continuation of the current Relevant Area for Brent I should be grateful if you could contact me at in writing either by letter or e-mail, no later than the 30 September 2007.

Deadline / Attention date: 30/9/2007

Deadline / Attention action:

contact Raj Parmar in writing with any comments on the proposed continuation of the current Relevant Area

Dear Colleague(s),

Consultation on Relevant Area for Consultation on Admission Arrangements for 2007/2008

I am writing to consult you on the proposal that the Relevant Area for consultation on school admission arrangements remains as previously determined. This will mean that the Relevant Area remains the area within the borough boundary of Brent.

If you have any comments on the proposed continuation of the current Relevant Area for Brent I should be grateful if you could contact me at the above address or by email no later than 30 September 2007.

Yours Sincerely

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Miss Rajeshree Parmar

**Head of Admissions** 

### **List of Admission authorities and Neighbouring Authorities Consulted**

Handtonak ar	Oakaal Nama	<b>DO</b>
Headteacher	School Name	PC
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	All Saints School	NW2 2TH
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Annunciation Infant School	HA8 0HQ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Annunciation Junior School	HA8 9HQ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Blessed Dominic School	NW9 5FN
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Harry & Abe Sherman	HA8 8TE
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Hasmonean Primary School	NW4 2PD
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Independent Jewish Day School	NW4 2AH
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Mathilda Marks-Kennedy School	NW7 3RT
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Menorah School	NW11 9SP
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Menorah Foundation School	HA8 0SA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Agnes' RC School	NW2 1RG
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St John's C of E School	NW4 3SL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Joseph's RC Infant School	NW4 4TY
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Joseph's RC Junior School	NW4 4TY
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary's C of E School	NW4 3SL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Christ Church C of E Primary School	NW3 1JH
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Christ Church C of E Primary School	NW1 4BD
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Emmanuel C of Primary School	NW6 1NA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Hampstead Parochial School	NW3 6TX
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Holy Trinity C of E Primary School	NW1 8DE
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Holy Trinity C of E Primary School	NW3 5SQ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Rosary RC Primary School	NW3 2AE
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Saint Dominic's RC Primary School	NW5 4JS
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Eugene de Mazenod RC Primary School	NW6 4LS
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary's Kilburn C of E Primary School	NW6 4PG
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Paul's Primary School	NW3 3DS
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Anselm's RC First & Middle School	HA1 3BE
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Bernadette's RC First & Middle School	HA3 9NS
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St George's RC First & Middle School	HA1 3SB
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Joseph's RC First & Middle School	HA3 7LP
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Teresa's RC First & Middle School	HA3 6LE
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Charles' RC School	W10 6EB
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Clement & St James C of E School	W11 4PG
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Francis of Assisi RC School	W11 4BJ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary's RC Primary School	W10 5AW
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary Abbots C of E School	W8 4SP
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Thomas' C of E School	W10 5EF
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Christ Church Bentinck School	NW1 5NS
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Hampden Gurney School	W1H 5AL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Our Lady of Dolours School	W2 5SR
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Augustine's School	NW6 5SN
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Edward's School	NW1 6LD
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St James's and St Michael's School	W2 3QD
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary's Bryanston Square School	W1H 1DL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Joseph's RC School	W9 1DF
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary Magdalene's School	W2 5TF
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Luke's School	W9 3EJ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary of the Angels School	W2 5PR
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Peter's School	W9 2AV

The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Saviour's School	W9 2JD
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Stephen's School	W2 5QH
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Vincent's School	W1M 3HA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Pope John Primary School	W12 7QR
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Stephen's Primary School	W12 8LH
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Edward Bentham School	UB6 9JU
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Our Lady of the Visitation School	UB6 9AN
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Joseph's RC Primary School	W7 3HU
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St John Fisher School	UB6 8EF
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Wood End Junior School	UB5 4QG
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Wood End Infant School	UB5 4LB
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Saviour's C of E Infant School	W5 5Dx
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Vincent's RC Primary School	W3 9JR
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Christ Church C of E Junior School	W5 2XA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Gregory's RC Primary School	W5 1SL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Asholme School	N14 5RJ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Bishop Douglass RC High School	N2 0SQ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Christ Church CE School	N12 9NR
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Finchley Catholic High School	N12 8TA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Hasmonean High Girl's School	NW7 2EU
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Hasmonean High Boy's School	NW4 1NA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Hendon School	NW4 2HP
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Henrietta Barnett School	NW11 7BN
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Mill Hill High	NW7 4LL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Queen Elizabeth's Boys School	EN5 4DQ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St James' Catholic High School	NW9 5PE
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary's CE High School	NW4 1AB
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Michael's Catholic Grammar School	N12 7NJ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Mary's CE School	NW4 3SL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Joseph's First & Middle School	HA3 7LP
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Salvatorian College	HAS 5DY
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Sacred Heart High School	HA3 7AY
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Burlington Danes CE School	W12 0TY
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Lady Margaret School	SW6 4UN
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The London Oratory School	SW6 1RX
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Sacred Heart High School	W6 7DG
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Grey Coat Hospital School	SW1P 4GH
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Augustine's CE School	NW6 5SN
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St George's RC School	W9 1RB
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The St. Marylebone CE School	W1M 4BA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Westminster City School	SW1E 5HJ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School	W14 8BZ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	St Thomas More School	SW3 2QS
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Sion Manning Girls' School	W10 6EL
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Maria Fidelis Convent School	NW1 1TA
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Camden School for Girls	NW5 2DB
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	La Sainte Union Convent School	NW5 1RP
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Cardinal Wiseman Technology & Art College	UB6 9AW
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Twyford CE High School	W3 9PP
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Brentside High School	W7 1JJ
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Drayton Manor High School	W7 1EU
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	W3 0HW
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Greenford High School	UB6 9RX
The Headteacher & Chair of Governors	Northolt High School	UB5 4HW
The Director of Education	London Borough of Ealing	W5 2HL
The Director of Education	London Borough of Harrow	HA1 2UW

The Director of Education	London Borough of Barnet	N11 3DL
The Director of Education	Hammersmith & Fulham Council	W6 9JU
The Director of Education	Education Department	SW1E 6QP
The Director of Education	Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea	W8 7NX
The Director of Education	London Borough of Camden	NW1 1BD