



King Edward VII School

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Dear John

Proposed changes to the current catchment area for King Edward VII School for the academic year 2021-22 – consultation response

The Governing Board and Leadership Team of King Edward VII School have reviewed and discussed the proposal 'on extending King Edward VII catchment area to include Hallam Primary School'.

In principle, the Governing Board and Leadership Team are in support of extending the catchment area of King Edward VII School to provide local school places for families and children. However, it is essential that families who currently select King Edward VII School from our existing main feeder schools:

- Lydgate Junior School
- Nether Green Junior School
- Sharrow Primary School
- St Mary's CE Primary School
- Walkley Primary School
- Westways primary School

are not disadvantaged by the addition of Hallam Primary School to the catchment area. Disquiet is already evident in our existing feeder schools. Places at King Edward VII School need to be guaranteed for children and families who attend these feeder schools.

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Further questions for consideration:

1. How can the Admissions Team ensure that our existing feeder schools, children and families are not displaced over time. How can this be monitored?
2. Since Forge Valley is part of the Tapton Academy Trust, why is this school not being considered as part of the solution to meeting the demand for secondary school places for families attending Hallam Primary School?
3. Where will children be allocated a place if parents do not select King Edward VII School as their second choice assuming Tapton is their first choice?
4. Will the change to King Edward VII School's catchment, to incorporate Hallam Primary, be a permanent change if the proposal is ratified?
5. Is the demand for school places at Hallam Primary School being sustained and, if so, for how long?

I look forward to your responses to these questions.

I have responded separately to the Tapton School Admission Consultation November 2019.

A copy of this response has also been emailed to admissionsconsultation@sheffield.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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