

NOTICE TO PARENTS/CARERS

SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2027/28

Shropshire Council, as admission authority for community and controlled schools in Shropshire, is conducting a consultation exercise on School Admission Arrangements for 2027/28. The Council is simultaneously coordinating a consultation exercise for own admission authority schools, such as academies, whose governing bodies/trustees are responsible for setting their admission arrangements and who wish to make changes to those arrangements. We wish to notify all parents/carers that the consultation will begin on **28 November 2025** and continue for more than 6 weeks until **16 January 2026**.

The proposed amendment to Shropshire Council's admission arrangements is as follows:
Changing the definition of a sibling from 'older sibling' to 'a sibling' to the oversubscription criteria for all community and voluntary controlled schools in Shropshire*.

Proposed changes to Shropshire's admission authority school arrangements are shown below.

The consultation documents and further information can be found on the individual school websites and on the Shropshire Council website www.shropshire.gov.uk in the link to Consultation on Admission Arrangements 2027.

Holy Trinity CE Primary, Mereside CE Primary, Buildwas Academy, Ellesmere Primary, Barrow 1618 Free School and Woodside Primary School, Oswestry, Baschurch CE Primary, Bishop Hooper CE Primary, Claverley CE Primary, Corvedale CE Primary, Longden CE Primary, Whittington CE Primary and Weston Lullingfields CE Primary Schools and The Community College, Bishops Castle	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling'
Woore Primary School	have joined the Collective Vision Trust and therefore need to consult
Crowmoor Primary and The Martin Wilson Primary Schools	have joined the SHINE Academies Trust and therefore need to consult
Albrighton Primary School	have joined the Four Hills Education Trust and are also proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling'
The Corbet School	is proposing to reduce its PAN from 145 to 135.
Clunbury Primary, Norbury Primary and St Mary's CE Primary School Bucknall	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' and adding staff into their oversubscription criteria
The Diocese of Herefordshire Multi Academy Trust	are proposing to add staff criteria into their oversubscription criteria for the following schools: Bishops Castle Primary, Condover CE Primary, Lydbury North CE Primary, Onny CE Primary, St Edward's CE Primary and St George's CE Primary Schools.
Empower Multi-Academy Trust	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and in addition the following schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' along with moving the staff criteria priority to a standard position across the trust for Market Drayton Infant, Market Drayton Junior, St George's CE Junior, St Mary's CE Primary Shawbury, St Peter's CE Primary Wem, The Wilfred Owen and Woodfield Infant Schools. In addition to the above changes, Greenacres Primary School is also proposing to reduce its PAN from 30 to 15.

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Marches Academy Trust	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' at Grange Primary, Longlands Primary, Lower Heath CE Primary, Oakmeadow CE Primary, and Tilstock Primary Schools and The Marches, Idsall Secondary, The Grove, Shrewsbury Academy and Sir John Talbot's Secondary schools . The following schools have also joined the trust; Cockshutt CE Primary, Criftins CE Primary and Selattyn CE Primary so need to consult.
St John's Catholic Primary School, Bridgnorth	are proposing to give a higher priority to PLAC/LAC children of the catholic faith.
Whitchurch CE Infant and Whitchurch CE Junior Schools	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' as well as giving priority for siblings attending either school at the time of application.
Severn Bridges Multi-Academy Trust	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and in addition the following schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' along with moving the staff criteria priority to a standard position across the trust; Greenfields Primary, Mount Pleasant Primary and Radbrook Primary Schools . Harlescott Junior and Sundorne Infant Schools , in addition to the above are proposing to give priority for siblings attending either school at the time of application
Shropshire Church of England Academies Trust	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and in addition the following schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' at Beckbury CE Primary, Bicton CE Primary, Bomere Heath CE Primary, Christ Church CE Primary, Meole Brace CE Primary, St John the Baptist CE Ruyton, St Mary's CE Bluecoat Primary and Worfield Endowed CE Primary Schools .
Shropshire Gateway Education Trust has merged to form the Four Stones Gateway Trust.	The following trust schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling'; Clee Hill Community Academy, Stottesdon CE Primary School and The Lacon Childe School . In addition to this, Cleobury Mortimer are also proposing to reduce their PAN from 37 to 30.
The 3-18 Education Trust	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' at Bowbrook Primary, Coleham, Primary, Hodnet Primary, Much Wenlock primary schools and Bridgnorth Endowed, The Priory, St Martins, Thomas Adams William Brookes School . In addition, William Brookes School is removing its sixth form criteria and John Wilkinson Primary School has joined the trust.
The Trust-Ed Schools	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and a change to the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' for its school as follows: Alveley Primary, Castlefields CE Primary, St Leonard's CE and Stokesay CE primary Schools . Belvidere School, Church Stretton, Mary Webb, Meole Brace and Oldbury Wells secondary schools

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You can make comments on any of the proposed changes and submit by **Friday 16 January 2026**
 e-mail school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk, contact the school directly, or write to:
 Shropshire Council, c/o The Guildhall, Shrewsbury, SY3 8HQ

*Community & Voluntary Controlled Schools as follows:

Shrewsbury Area	North Area	South Area
Belvidere Primary School Oxon CE Primary School St Giles' CE Primary School St Lucia's CE Primary School	Adderley CE Primary School Bryn Offa CE Primary School Buntingsdale Primary School Gobowen Primary School Hadnall CE Primary School Kinnerley CE Primary School Morda CE Primary School Moreton Say CE Primary School Myddle CE Primary & Nursery School Nesscliffe St Andrew's CE Primary School Newtown CE Primary School Norton-in-Hales CE Primary School The Meadows Primary School Stoke-on-Tern Primary School Trefonen CE Primary School Welshampton CE Primary School West Felton CE Primary School Weston Rhyn Primary School	Albrighton St Mary's CE Primary School Brockton CE Primary School Broseley CE Primary School Brown Clee CE Primary School Chirbury CE Primary & Nursery School Church Preen Primary School Church Stretton, St Lawrence CE Primary & Nursery School Farlow CE Primary School Hanwood, St Thomas & St Anne's CE Primary School Highley Primary School Kinlet CE Primary School Longnor CE Primary School Ludlow, St Laurence CE Primary School Minsterley Primary School Newcastle CE Primary School Pontesbury CE Primary School Rushbury CE Primary School Sheriffhales Primary & Pre School Shifnal Primary School Shifnal St Andrew's CE Primary School Stiperstones CE Primary School Trinity CE Primary School Wistanstow CE Primary School Worthen Long Mountain CE Primary School