Proposed Coordinated Admission Schemes 2024/25 – Consultation Findings

Background

Between 19 October and 7 December 2022 Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council consulted on its proposed coordinated school admissions schemes for 2024/25 to meet the statutory requirement to consult at least every 7 years.

As no changes were being proposed, participants were asked whether they agreed that the coordinated admissions schemes for primary and secondary schools met the requirements of the School Admissions Code 2021.

Methodology

Participants were able to respond online via a survey:

https://forms.office.com/r/qXJOFpXtVJ or through a consultation response form that could be returned via e-mail. Participants were also able to respond by completing a paper consultation response form and returning it to the council in person or by post.

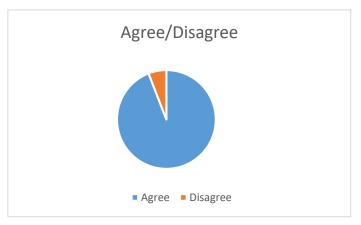
The consultation response sheet and survey were shared with key stakeholders. Including: schools (to be shared with governors, staff and parents), early years providers, neighbouring local authorities and religious bodies.

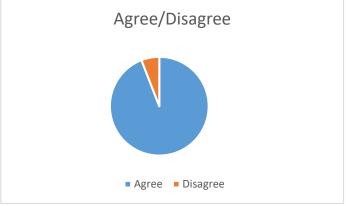
Responses

The consultation received 17 responses. Of which, 16 (94%) agreed that the proposed coordinated admission schemes meet the requirements of the School Admissions Code 2021.

Do you agree that the coordinated admission scheme arrangements for primary schools 2024/25 meet the requirements of the School Admissions Code 2021?

Do you agree that the coordinated admission scheme arrangements for secondary schools 2024/25 meet the requirements of the School Admissions Code 2021?

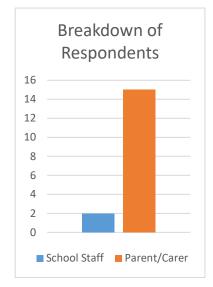




Of the 17 responses received:

- 15 were submitted by parents/carers
- 2 were submitted by school staff

No concerns were raised by neighbouring local authorities, religious bodies and schools as to our proposed schemes not meeting the requirements of the School Admissions Code 2021. The single disagree response was based on a school's admissions arrangements, which is not within the scope of the coordinated admission schemes.



How will this report be used?

This consultation report describes the consultation methodology and feedback received. This feedback will be considered by the Elected Members of Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council before they make a decision on the proposed coordinated admission schemes.