



Consultation on a proposed change to the published admission arrangements for Bosley St Mary's CE Primary School, Leek Road, Bosley, Macclesfield, SK11 0NX with effect from September 2025

Background

The Chester Diocesan Academies Trust (CDAT) and the school governing body wish to consult on proposed changes to their admissions policy including the oversubscription criteria to be used in the event of the receipt of more applications for places than can be provided. The Regulations and Code of Practice relating to school admissions require an admissions authority, CDAT in this case, to consult when proposing changes to their admissions arrangements.

Specific Proposal

The Trust and Local Governing Body wishes to consult on a new admissions policy for Bosley St Mary's CE Primary School following the school's transfer from a voluntary controlled school to an academy school. The proposals will specifically define the school's catchment area as the parish of Bosley St Mary and will also add an additional criterion at criterion 5, which will specifically state: "Children who have attended the Bosley St Mary's on site preschool for at least one term in the previous two years".

The school's planned admission number will remain as 8.

Subject to the outcome of this consultation process, this change will come into effect on 1 September 2025 and the existing admissions arrangements will remain in place until that time. Those children already with a place in the school will not experience any change to their admissions status as a result of this proposal.

Further information on the proposal, including a full version of the proposed admission policy can be found at: www.cdat.co.uk/consultations/bosley-st-marys-ce-primary-school.html

How to Respond

The consultation period will run between 4 December 2023 and 26 January 2024 and you are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal above to: Chester Diocesan Academies Trust, 5500 Daresbury Park, Daresbury, Warrington, WA4 4GE. Alternatively, you may wish to e-mail: chris.williams@cdat.co.uk. Comments should also be copied to the Chair of Governing Body at the school address.

Please submit any comments no later than 26 January 2024. Following the consultation period the Board of Trustees for the Chester Diocesan Academies Trust will be required to formally determine the school admission arrangements for the academic year commencing September 2025 before 28 February 2024. Any subsequent objections will need to be made to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator by 15 May 2024.