

OUTWOOD ACADEMY RIVERSIDE TEMPORARY REDUCTION TO PAN CONSULTATION

Consultation process from 26 January 2023 to 9 March 2023

This is the formal consultation document for the proposed reduction of PAN at Outwood Academy Riverside creating a lower admission number for Year 7 from 150 to 120 in September 2023

Outwood Academy Riverside

PAN Consultation

Consultation on a proposed temporary reduction in the published admission number for Outwood Academy Riverside, Middlesbrough with effect from September 2023.

Length of consultation: 7 weeks, including February half term, ending on 9 March 2023

Preface

Admission authorities must have determined their admissions arrangements for entry in September 2023 by February 2022. They must publish them on their website and have sent a copy to their local authority before March 2022. Although this timeframe has passed, we are required to complete an in- year variation due to unforeseen delays in the completion of the permanent new building.

As an academy, we are our own admissions authority and as such must ensure that:

1. consultation lasts for a minimum of 6 weeks and must take place between October 2021 and February 2022 for the academic year 2023-2024.
2. we consult with:
 - a. parents of children between the ages of two and eighteen;
 - b. other persons in the relevant area who may have an interest in the proposed admissions;
 - c. all other admission authorities within the relevant area;
 - d. the local authority
3. for the duration of the consultation period, a copy of our full proposed admission arrangements (including the proposed PAN) is published on our website together with details of the person within the admission authority to whom comments may be sent and the areas on which comments are not sought.
4. send upon request a copy of the proposed admission arrangements to any of the persons or bodies listed above inviting comment.

Proposal

To decrease the published admission number from 150 students to 120 students.

Although the Regulations and Code of Practice relating to school admissions no longer require an admissions authority to consult when maintaining or increasing a school's PAN, there remains a requirement to consult when the proposal is to reduce a PAN. Outwood Academy Riverside, as the admissions authority, is seeking comments on the proposed change.

Background

The current Published Admission Number (PAN) for Outwood Academy Riverside is 150. This means that the number of children admitted into the school at Year 7 each year is limited to 150. Due to being in a temporary building and the delay in works on the permanent building, the current PAN exceeds the physical capacity of the temporary building so a reduction is the only way forward. Reducing the PAN will ensure that the current building is suitable and fit for purpose.

Specific Proposal

Outwood Academy Riverside proposes to reduce the published admission number of the academy from 150 to 120 with effect from September 2023.

This means that the number of places available for children in Year 7 in 2023 will be 120. For children who already have a place at the school in other year groups there will be no change; the admission number for all other years remains as is.

There has been discussion and agreement with Middlesbrough Council that an admission number of 120 at the school is appropriate, given the circumstances, for the children requiring secondary places in September 2023.

How to Respond

This consultation will run from 26 January 2023 to 9 March 2023 and you are invited to submit feedback via this [form](#), in writing to the Principal, Outwood Academy Riverside, Russell Street, Middlesbrough, TS1 2AD or via email enquiries@riverside.outwood.com please send any comments by 9 March 2023.