

Proposed Transitional Arrangements

This proposed catchment change would move the catchment area boundaries for those properties in Appendix 7.

Having carefully considered the responses to the consultation. A six-year transitional period is proposed by the Local Authority to mitigate the impact of this change for families currently living in the affected area with children already in the existing catchment schools, as follows:

- Transitional arrangements for admission to the four schools, Backworth Park Primary, Holystone Primary, New York Primary and Shiremoor Primary Schools:
 - A child starting school for the first time who has an older sibling on roll at the above schools; and who was on roll prior to the catchment change; and will still be on roll at the time of the younger child's admission will also be given in-catchment priority up to and including admission in September 2027.
- Families **must** be living in the affected area at the date of implementation of the changes September 2021.
- Families will **not** be eligible under these transitional arrangements if they move out of the affected area and keep their older child in the school or they move into another address which is affected by these changes.
- The Planned Admission Number for the school will remain at 60 and it must be stressed that these arrangements cannot guarantee a place at the school. If there are more applications than places available and all of these applications are covered by the criterion ***“in catchment with a sibling at the school”***, then a decision on places offered will come down to distance within that criterion.