

INFORMATION REGARDING TRANSFERS OUTSIDE THE NORMAL ADMISSIONS ROUNDS

REPORT BY ADMISSIONS AND TRANSPORT MANAGER

LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM

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Wards Affected

Countywide

Purpose

To consider the statistics in relation to secondary school "in-year" transfers.

Financial Implications

None.

Background

At the LAF June 2007 it was requested that information be provided on secondary school in year transfers. It was felt by LAF that this information would be of interest and would give an indication of parental preference amongst high schools.

The first page of the information in Appendix 7.1 gives overall numbers across the County in 2007/08. Pages following provide a further breakdown of this information by reason. SA3 refers to the in year transfer request application form.

Issues

There have been 354 transfers during the 2007/2008 academic year compared to the previous academic year's total of 521. LAF will note that over half (55%) of the transfers are from out of county (OCC) or out of the country transfers. There are clearly a range of reasons why transfers occur, including parents moving house as well as the reasons such as bullying explicitly highlighted in the data report.

Whilst Aylestone continued to experience the largest number of transfers out of school during 2007/08 (30) this is a significant reduction from last year (93). The school also received 53 requests to join the school.

It is also worth noting that the number of transfers citing bullying as a reason is reduced from 56 in 2006/2007 to 18 in 2007/2008.

Recommendation

THAT: the information be considered by LAF

Considerations

None.

Risk Management

None

Background Papers

None

Appendices

Appendix 5.1 - "In Year Transfer Matrix"