This matter is being dealt with by: **Admissions consultations**

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Dear Colleague

Determined admission arrangements 2026-2027 - Stanhope Primary and Nursery School

Thank you for sending your determined admission arrangements which were approved by the admission authority on 20th November 2024.

Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC) has considered the determined admission arrangements and would make the following comments on these arrangements for the admission authority to consider and ensure compliance of the School Admissions Code (2021):

Catchment area

The catchment area for the school was reviewed following consultation for the 2025-2026 academic year. NCC notes the map provided within the determined arrangements for 2026-2027 is not correct. NCC recommends this map is updated to reflect the new catchment area determined for the school for 2025-2026.

In-year admissions

The admission arrangements refer to the published admission limit which applied when the year group was first admitted to the school. However, the PAN only relates to the relevant year group (reception) and is not relevant for other year groups. NCC recommends this wording is reviewed to make clear to parents that in the event of oversubscription, the oversubscription criteria will be applied.

NCC also notes the link provided within the in-year section is not clickable. Please can this be reviewed.

Waiting list

NCC notes the arrangements state the school's waiting lists for both intake and in-year applications are held until the end of the Summer Term. NCC recommends the arrangements are reviewed to make it clearer that a waiting list for intake applications must be held until 31 December. After this date, it would be clearer for parents if a specific date the waiting closes was included, i.e. 31 May. NCC also considers it may not be practical to maintain a waiting list until the end of the Summer Term as if any place becomes available this could not be taken up during the admission year that the application was made.

If you wish to discuss any of the issues further, please contact admissionsconsultations@nottscc.gov.uk.

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Yours sincerely

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