SLOUGH SCHOOLS' FORUM 19th January 2021

Directorate of Children, Learning and Skills

ESFA High Needs Placement Change Notification 2021-22

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The report is used to inform Schools' Forum of the 2021-22 ESFA High Needs Placement Change Notification, submitted in November 2020 by Slough BC.

2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 To note changes in High Needs Placement numbers at Slough education settings.

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 Report is for information only.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 Not applicable

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 5.1 ESFA HN Placement Change Notification return was submitted by the LA in November 2020, meeting the ESFA's submission deadline for 2021-22 placement change notification.
- 5.2 Changes in placement numbers and supporting reasons are captured in the following table content:

Institution name	Institution type	2020-21 Placement numbers	2021-22 Placement Submission	Difference in Placement numbers	% Change	Reasons for change
ARBOUR VALE SCHOOL	ACADEMY - SPECIAL	317	325	8	3%	Increase in numbers of pupils placed in 20/21 requires an increased in commissioned places to match demand
CASTLEVIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	22	22	0	0%	
COLNBROOK CoE PRIMARY SCHOOL	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	10	10	0	0%	
DITTON PARK ACADEMY	FREE SCHOOL - MAINSTREAM	16	16	0	0%	
HAYBROOK COLLEGE	ACADEMY - AP	192	203	11	6%	Increased local demand for specialist places has seen more pupils placed at Haybrook than is currently commissioned. Setting requires commissioning of 11 additional SEMH specialist provision placements as of April 21, in order to reflect current number of placements accessing specialist provision.
LITTLEDOWN SCHOOL	ACADEMY - SPECIAL	57	57	0	0%	
MARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	45	55	10	22%	Continued increasing levels of demand for pupils to be placed within SEN resource base, requires an increased level of commissioned places to be funded.
PHOENIX INFANT ACADEMY	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	12	12	0	0%	
RYVERS SCHOOL	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	8	8	0	0%	
SLOUGH AND ETON CoE BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE COLLEGE	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	20	20	0	0%	
ST ETHELBERT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	10	10	0	0%	

SCHOOL						
THE GODOLPHIN JUNIOR ACADEMY	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	8	8	0	0%	
THE LANGLEY ACADEMY	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	8	8	0	0%	
THE WESTGATE SCHOOL	ACADEMY - MAINSTREAM	15	15	0	0%	
WINDSOR FOREST COLLEGES GROUP	FURTHER EDUCATION PROVIDER	129	159	30		Increased demand for HN placements has led to an increased level of places needing to be commissioned to keep pace with demand.
GROVE ACADEMY	FREE SCHOOL - MAINSTREAM	0	3	3	n/a	Places are for a new SEN resource base to open in September 2021. This is part of the local authority's plans to increase high need placements available within the area's secondary aged mainstream provision.
		869	931	62	7%	·

6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

Borough Solicitor

6.1 The relevant legal provisions are contained within the main body of this report.

Section 151 Officer – Strategic Director of Resources

6.2 The financial implications of the report are outlined in the supporting information.

Access Implications

6.3 There are no access implications.

7 CONSULTATION

Principal Groups Consulted

7.1 All schools with placement changes were consulted with.

Method of Consultation

7.2 Virtual meetings were held with relevant education settings, with written consent to placement changes secured from each setting.

Representations Received

- 7.3 Not applicable.
- 8 Background Papers
- 8.1 Not applicable

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