

STIRLING COUNCIL SCHOOLS, LEARNING AND EDUCATION

CONSULTATION ON THE CREATION OF THE EDUCATION ADMISSIONS POLICY

Stirling Council Schools, Learning and Education are carrying out a consultation on the creation of the Education Admissions Policy. This new policy will update and bring together five separate documents that relate to the admission of children and young people to education provision in Stirling. The five policies or guidance documents being amalgamated are:

- Nursery Admissions Policy
- Early Entry to School Policy
- School Admissions Policy
- Education Placement Panel guidance for the admission of children and young people to Specialist Additional Support Needs Provisions
- Placing Request Policy

Public Consultation meetings to discuss the creation of the Education Admission Policy will take place on:

- Thursday 4 September 6.30pm to 8pm in Bannockburn Primary School
- Tuesday 16 September 6.30pm to 8pm in McLaren High School
- Wednesday 1 October 6.30pm to 8pm in the Raploch Campus

This quick reference guide briefly outlines the changes proposed within each document. Following the consultation period the five updated versions will be amalgamated into the one Education Admissions Policy.

NURSERY ADMISSIONS POLICY (page 3)

The main updates contained within the Nursery Admissions Policy are as follows:

- Updating the wording and structure of the policy throughout for clarity and removal of duplication.
- Inclusion of the deadline for withdrawing a deferred entry application (15 March).

EARLY ENTRY TO SCHOOL POLICY (page 17)

The main updates contained within the Early Entry to School Policy are as follows:

- Updating the wording and structure of the policy throughout for clarity and removal of duplication.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS POLICY (page 20)

The main updates contained within the School Admissions Policy are as follows:

- Updating the wording and structure of the policy throughout for clarity and removal of duplication.
- Updating information within to provide clarity around when a placing request may be required to support admission to secondary schools.

- Updating information within to provide clarity around the enrolment arrangements for children and young people awaiting a decision on a P1 or S1 placing request application.
- Updating information within to provide clarity on the process for enrolment to denominational schools.

ADMISSIONS TO SPECIALIST ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS PROVISIONS (page 27)

All of this section has been newly added to the policy.

PLACING REQUEST POLICY (page 39)

The main updates contained within the Placing Request Policy are as follows:

- Updating wording and structure of the policy throughout for clarity and removal of duplication.
- Inclusion of the requirement for placing request applications for young people aged 16 or over to be made by the young people themselves.
- Inclusion of information relating to school transition experiences whilst awaiting the outcome of a placing request decision.
- Updating information within to provide clarity on when placing request applications are required from those wishing to attend denominational schools.
- Inclusion of information regarding when placing request applications are required from those wishing to attend Gaelic Medium Education.
- Inclusion of information on how The UNCRC (Incorporation) (Scotland) Act 2024 has been included in the placing request process.