

Report for:	Crouch End, Hornsey and Stroud Green Area Forum	Item Number:	Area Forum Item 6
Title:	School Place Planning		
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Ward(s) affected: Crouch End, Hornsey and Stroud Green	Report for information		

1 Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 This report sets out that additional primary school places will be needed in the borough, including in this local area at it provides information about the work that has been undertaken so far to secure additional places.

Background information

- 1.2 School Place Planning in our borough sits within the Council's Education Services. The Service uses a wide variety of data, including Greater London Authority school roll projections, and other intelligence to ensure that there are enough places to meet current and projected demand. At the same time there is a need to constrain overprovision which can lead to a loss of income in undersubscribed schools.
- 1.3 Pupil projections are published every year in the School Place Planning Report which is available to view at www.haringey.gov.uk/schoolplaceplanning
- 1.4 The information published in the School Place Planning report shows that we will need another reception class (up to 30 places) in this area, every year from September 2015.

Delivering additional places

- 1.5 In July 2013 Cabinet (the Council's decision making body) agreed the recommendation to undertake feasibility studies to explore whether it would be possible to create additional school places at three schools,
- **St Mary's C of E Primary (Hornsey) - located in this planning area**
 - St James CE Primary
 - Bounds Green Infant and Junior schools
- 1.6 The feasibility studies showed that permanent expansion could be physically possible.
- 1.7 On 15 July 2014 Cabinet agreed the recommendation to begin consultation with parents, residents, staff, governors and other stakeholders to seek their views on expanding the three schools listed above.

Consultation

- 1.8 An eight week period of consultation was undertaken at each school. Feedback from the consultation was analysed and this was used to inform a report which balanced the need to provide additional school places in each local area with the views of local stakeholders.
- 1.9 This information is available to view in full at www.minutes.haringey.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=435&MIId=7169
- 1.10 The report was considered by Councillor Waters, Lead Member for Children and Families and she agreed that statutory notices should be issued in respect of
- Bounds Green Infant and Junior School, and
 - St Mary's CE Primary School
- 1.11 The notices set out the Council's intention to expand the schools and were issued in accordance with the statutory steps set out in the Department for Education's guidance on expanding schools.

Representation

- 1.12 A period of further consultation (or representation) was launched by the issuing of a statutory notice in January. Further information is available at <http://www.haringey.gov.uk/schoolexpansions2014>
- 1.13 Feedback from this consultation will be analysed and presented in a report to Cabinet on 17 March and based on this information, balanced with the need for local school places, a final decision will be made whether or not to expand each school.