## **16. Welsh Medium Primary Education Transitional Admission Arrangements**

Children with a statement of Special Educational Needs, when the school is named as the most appropriate setting, will be admitted before applying the oversubscription criteria.

## Admission criteria in the event of oversubscription

- 1. Children where evidence has been supplied to confirm that they are looked after, or have been previously looked after by a local authority in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act.
- 2. Children who have a brother or sister in attendance at the school during the academic year in which the child is to be admitted. In the event of oversubscription by applicants from this category alone, the council will determine priority and allocate places by reference to the age of the pupil's youngest sibling in the school, the youngest commanding the highest degree of priority.
- 3. Children who are currently permanently resident within the designated catchment area of the school on or before the published closing date for receipt of preference forms. In the event of over-subscription by applicants from this category alone criteria (5) and (6) in order of priority, would be applied to produce an order of preference. Evidence of a permanent residence of a child must be supplied.
- 4. Children not currently permanently resident within the designated catchment area of the school whose parents have satisfied the Council by providing evidence, on or before the published closing date, that the child will be taking up residence within the catchment area by the commencement of the school term to which the application relates. In the event of over-subscription by applicants from this category alone criteria (5) and (6) in order of priority, would be applied to produce an order of preference. In these circumstances, pupils outside the catchment area would not be considered. Evidence of a permanent residence of a child must be supplied.
- 5. Children in respect of whom the Council judges that there are compelling medical or social grounds for their admission to a specified primary school i.e. those children recommended for placement with regard to medical, psychological or social reasons. (Evidence from an appropriate professional person (medical consultant, social worker etc.) must be supplied to the school access team no later than the closing date to qualify under this criterion.

In the event of over-subscription by applicants from this category alone criteria (6) would be applied to produce an order of preference.

6. In determining applications for admission in respect of other pupils in the age group, the Council gives particular regard to the degree of proximity of

the pupil's home to the school, as measured by the shortest available walking route, those living nearest will have priority. The council uses a Geographical Information System (GIS) to calculate home to school distances.

In all cases evidence of permanent residence of a pupil at the time of application is required. Any place approved on the basis of residence will be withdrawn if the pupil is not permanently resident at the address at the beginning of the school term to which the application relates.

Where a child permanently lives at two addresses over the course of a school week, then the home address will be determined as the address where the child lives for the majority of the school week (i.e. 3 out of 5 days available). Parents will be required to provide documentary evidence confirming the child is resident at the address they wish to be considered for allocation purposes. This will be legal documentation, Child Benefit confirmation, evidence from Social Services, Health Professionals or other professionals.

Where a parent provides fraudulent or intentionally misleading information to obtain the advantage of a particular school for their child, to which they would not otherwise be entitled, the LA will withdraw the offer of a place.