



Reference: FOI4033

Request:

I request the following information (whether under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or otherwise) from your organisation for each of Whitley Bay High School, Monkseaton High School, Marden High School and John Spence High School:

1. Information about when the school last consulted on its admission arrangements for the normal entry point (being year 7 or year 9, as applicable) pursuant to Chapter 3 of the School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and Co-ordination of Admission Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2012, as amended; and
2. Where the school has not consulted within the past seven years, information about what steps (if any) your organisation intends to take to encourage the school to consult on its proposed admission arrangements for 2023/24 between 1 October 2021 and 31 January 2022 in accordance with the Regulations; and
3. Whether your organisation would support any proposal to give priority within the school's oversubscription criteria to the children of school staff pursuant to paragraph 1.39 of the School Admissions Code 2014 (e.g. to improve recruitment and retention of school staff or for any other reason).

Response:

All 3 schools mentioned are their own Admissions Authority and are part of a Learning Trust with other schools within the Local Authority.

- Question 1: The Local Authority held a consultation on behalf of the NT Trust Schools in 2015 in accordance with regulations and this was due to 1 school within the Trust covered by the policy reducing its PAN. This was the policy determined for September 2017 Academic Year.
- Question 2: The Local Authority will be contacting all OAA Schools (Trust, Academies) and the Trust Board early in the Autumn Term to ascertain if there are any changes proposed by Governing Bodies for 2023 academic year and if they require the Local Authority to consult on their behalf.
- Question 3: No information held. However, the Local Authority has never been requested to consider a change as mentioned in Q3 to the oversubscription criteria for the named schools.

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