

Consultation on proposed school catchment area changes for Sherborne St John's CE Primary School and Great Binfields Primary School

Hampshire County Council has reviewed the school catchments to take account of planned new housing at Cufaude Farm, Basingstoke. Hampshire County Council has been in discussion with the local schools, Sherborne St John's CE Primary School and Great Binfields Primary School, in order to consider appropriate catchment arrangements for each school.

The housing development planned on Cufaude Farm currently falls within the catchment area of Sherborne St John's CE Primary School. However, due to the distance from the development to the school it is proposed that the catchment boundary be redrawn to remove it from Sherborne St John's CE Primary School and include it within Great Binfields Primary School's catchment area. This will apply from September 2021 admissions onwards. There are no plans to change the secondary school catchment area, which will remain as Everest Community Academy (Secondary).

Transitional arrangements are proposed by the County Council to mitigate the impact of this change for families currently living within the area that will become the new catchment area for the Cufaude Farm development, with children already in the existing catchment schools, as follows:

- Children living in the new housing on Cufaude Farm with a sibling on roll at Great Sherborne St John Church Of England Primary School (who was on roll prior to the catchment change and who will still be attending the school at the time of the younger child's admission), will be given 'catchment, sibling' priority for admission to Sherborne St John Church Of England Primary School, up to and including admission in September 2026.

The proposed catchment area map that will apply from September 2021 is shown below:

