

Proposed catchment changes for Tweseldown Infant School and Church Crookham Junior School

Hampshire County Council is proposing changes to the catchment areas of the above-named schools to take account of the planned new housing development at Albany Park.

The current position:

The new housing development is currently served by Dogmersfield Church of England (Aided) Primary School and Crookham Church of England (Aided) Infant School. At secondary phase, the housing development falls within the catchment area for Court Moor School.

The proposal:

That this new development, plus some existing houses located in the vicinity of the development, will be included in the catchment areas for Tweseldown Infant School and Church Crookham Junior School. This is to align the admissions arrangements for the housing at Albany Park with the additional school places created at Tweseldown Infant School and Church Crookham Junior School in 2017, delivered as part of Hampshire's school place planning strategy.

As Dogmersfield Church of England (Aided) Primary School and Crookham Church of England (Aided) Infant School are their own admissions authorities, the governing bodies would be required to undertake their own consultation to alter their catchment areas, but both have indicated that this is not something they are considering.

The result of this proposal, if approved, is that the Albany Park development, plus some existing houses located in the vicinity of the development, will become part of the catchment areas for Tweseldown Infant School and Church Crookham Junior School, whilst remaining in the catchment areas for Dogmersfield Church of England (Aided) Primary School and Crookham Church of England (Aided) Infant School. Therefore, children here will be part of a shared catchment area (see map below). It is proposed that this catchment area change will take effect for admissions from September 2025.

There are no proposals to change the existing secondary school catchment arrangements. Likewise, there are no transitional arrangements proposed because families living in the affected areas with children already in the schools will retain catchment priority for the existing catchment schools.

