Wokingham Borough Council

Statutory Notice

Bearwoood Primary School

Notice is given in accordance with section 19(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, as amended by the Education Act 2011, and the School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013 that Wokingham Borough Council intends to make a prescribed alteration to Bearwood Primary School, Bearwood Road, Sindlesham, Wokingham, Berkshire, RG41 5BB from 1st September 2028. It is proposed to (a) relocate the school to new premises to be constructed at Fulbrook Avenue, Spencers Wood, Wokingham, Berkshire (opposite Bays Crescent Playground RG7 1DF) and (b) establish a SEN (Special Education Needs) Resource Base for Autism and Speech, Language and Communication Needs at Bearwood Primary School for 14 pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan, across the Reception Year to Year 6 (2 places in each year group). Initial placements and the subsequent growth of the Resource Base will be determined in partnership with the school, taking account of the need for such places in 2027 and 2028.The total capacity of 14 places is expected to be reached at the latest by September 2035.

The new school premises have planning consent for a 210 statutory place school with a nursery and the new Resource Base.

Admission to the new SEN Base will be distinct from mainstream admission to the school. Children admitted to the school to attend the SEN Base will be in addition to the Published Admission Number PAN, and the PAN will not be reduced to take account of admissions to the SEN Base.

Wokingham Borough Council has complied with all applicable statutory requirements to consult in connection with this proposal. At the conclusion of the Notice period, if permission is granted by the Council's Executive, Wokingham Borough Council will implement the proposal.

This Notice is an extract from the complete proposal. Copies of the complete proposal can be obtained from: Piers Brunning at: piers.brunning@wokingham.gov.uk or online at: https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/planning-new-school-places .

The consultation runs until midday on 17th December 2026. Any person may object to or make comments on the proposal by sending them to: piers.brunning@wokingham.gov.uk or by post to Piers Brunning, Childrens Services, Wokingham Borough Council, Shute End, Wokingham, Berkshire RG40 1BN

Interested parties are also invited to attend a public meeting being held at 19:00 on 15th December 2026, at Bearwood Primary School. There will also be an earlier on-line virtual meeting on 8th December 2026. Access details will be published at https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/planning-new-school-places .

Signed: Dr Ming Zhang, Service Director of Education, Wokingham Borough Council.

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