Proposed Reduction of PAN for September 2028

The Local Governing Body of Chase Terrace Academy are consulting its stakeholders and partners on a proposed change to the admissions arrangements for September 2028.

Reason for the proposal:

Chase Terrace Academy currently has a PAN of 232, following a decrease from 270 in September 2023. The school has had below 200 pupils in each year 7 cohort for the last two years, and admitted 153 pupils in September 2026. The number of available pupils in year 6 has significantly fallen year on year since 2022, and the school has operationally moved from an 8 form entry, to a 6 form entry staffing structure. Based on data from the Local Authority regarding the current and future demographics of the local area, it is highly unlikely that the school will meet the planned admissions number of 232, and is more likely to achieve between 150-180 pupils each year. There are no additional houses being built in the local area, and therefore it is unlikely for this situation to change.

Current criteria and Proposed criteria:

There are no plans to change the admissions criteria.

Proposal for change of PAN:

The consultation is proposing a reduction in PAN from 232 students to 180, giving 6 classes of 30 students.

Process:

This proposed change if approved, will become operational from Year 7 September 2028 onwards with up to 180 students admitted. Your opinions are important and we are keen to receive any comments on the proposal before the changes are agreed.

The consultation period opens on Friday 6th November and ends on Friday 18th December 2026.

All responses will be considered between Monday 4th January 2027 and Friday 29th January 2027.

A copy of this document along with a copy of the draft policy is available on the school website (www.chaseterraceacademy.co.uk) and Staffordshire County Council's admissions page (www.staffordshire.gov.uki/admissions).

In line with the admissions code, the following bodies have been consulted:

- All other admissions authorities within a five mile radius of Chase Terrace Academy

- JTMAT primary schools
- JTMAT secondary schools
- Staffordshire County Council
- Local primary and secondary schools outside of JTMAT

Notice has been sent to the local library to advise that the consultation is being carried out.

In order to make your views known, please write to:

Consultation on proposal to reduce PAN

Clerk to Governors
Chase Terrace Academy
Bridge Cross Road
Burntwood
Staffordshire WS7
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Or email office@chaseterraceacademy.co.uk with 'PAN Consultation' in the subject line