

Holy Trinity CE Primary School, Sunningdale

Minutes from the Admissions Committee Meeting held on 1st June 2020

Present: Mrs B Moss, Mrs P O'Brien, Mrs J Griffith, Mrs A Boaler, Rev J Hutchinson, Mr B Aherne, Mrs S Lawson (Clerk),

In Attendance: n/a

Apologies: n/a

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

In Year Applications for Academic Year 2020-21

The Committee considered twelve new in year applications for academic year 2020-21. These were new applications from children already on the waiting list for the current academic year. A year 1 space was available but will not be offered again as the parents have stated that they will only accept the place if the sibling is also offered a place. This is not possible at the moment. All other applications were refused either on the basis that that class is already at the maximum infant class size (Year 2) or at the maximum number agreed with the Local Authority (Years 3, 4 and 6).

Reception Class 2020 – Place to Offer

SL explained that there was one place to offer in Reception Class for September 2020 and BM suggested that although the distances of the next two applicants on the waiting list were extremely close, that the distances provided by the RBWM system must be observed when offering school places. This is to ensure consistency across the board and to ensure adherence to the published Admissions Policy. The Committee agreed that the place should be offered on the distance information provided by RBWM. SL and AB advised the meeting that they had both visited the properties in question and could see no anomaly arising from this, as the visual appearance of the properties would support the very slight difference in distance provided by RBWM. SL to ask RBWM to offer the place following the meeting.

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Transition – Reception Class Sept 2020

JG gave an update on how the school proposes to manage introduction and transition processes for the new Reception Class intake for September 2020, given the different nature of school operations under Coronavirus guidelines. BM asked that any extended transition arrangements offered in September should be clearly worded so that it is clear to parents that they have a choice about how they take part in these arrangements, given that they may have working commitments. The Committee agreed these arrangements would be more extensive in September than usual due to the current situation and so should be checked by Christine Jones, Admissions - Diocese of Oxford, to ensure these meet with statutory guidelines.