Summary of the consultation on Nottinghamshire County Council's (NCC) school admission arrangements 2019-2020, with analysis of responses and comments

Background questions in the online consultation

The first 3 questions asked for background information about respondents, and not all respondents answered all these questions.

Q1: What is your name? (41 responses)
Q2: What is your email address? (37 responses)

Q3: What is your organisation? (26 responses: school or educational setting (7);

parent/family (6); other (7); n/a (6)

No further analysis of background information was undertaken.

Main consultation questions

The 4 main questions sought the views of respondents about specific aspects of the admission arrangements, as follows:

Q4: Do you agree with the proposed admission oversubscription criteria? (16 comments)

Q5: Do you agree with the proposed admission numbers? (12 comments)

Q6: Do you agree with the proposed timelines? (6 comments)

Q7: Do you agree with the in-year application process? (7 comments)

Responses received

48 responses were submitted online. In addition, 1 letter of response was received from a neighbouring local authority. This did not refer to the 4 consultation questions but included a comment about the link to school catchments provided on the County Council's website.

An analysis of responses to questions 4-7 is presented below. A redacted version of the comments made by respondents is available as a background paper.

Q4: Do you agree with the proposed admission oversubscription criteria?

On-line responses and comments

Option	Num	ber %
Yes	33	68.75
No	12	25.00
Don't know	1	2.08
Not answered	2	4.17
Total	48	

16 online respondents made comments. Some responses included comments on more than one issue, so the number of comments will not match the total number of responses.

А	Comments in favour of priority for out of catchment siblings or other siblings	4
В	Comments against priority for out of catchment siblings/unfair to	7
	others	
С	Feasibility of siblings in different schools/stress/continuity	5
D	Other	3

Q5: Do you agree with the proposed admission numbers?

On-line responses and comments

Option	Nun	nber %
Yes	29	60.42
No	9	18.75
Don't know	8	16.67
Not answered	2	4.17
Total	48	

12 online respondents made comments. Some responses included comments on more than one issue, so the number of comments will not match the total number of responses.

Α	Concerns about going over PAN/physical space	6
В	Class sizes/curriculum/funding	4
С	Other	5

Q6: Do you agree with the proposed timelines?

On-line responses and comments

Option	Num	ber %
Yes	37	77.08
No	2	4.17
Don't know	7	14.58
Not answered	2	4.17
Total	48	

6 online respondents made comments

Α	Neutral	4
В	Disagreement with an aspect of timelines	1
С	Other	1

Q7: Do you agree with the in-year application process?

On-line responses and comments

Option	Total	%
Yes	37	77.08
No	4	8.33
Don't know	5	10.42
Not answered	2	4.17
Total	48	

7 online respondents made comments.

Α	Negative/disagreement with aspect of in-year process	3
В	Positive/agreement with in-year process	1
С	Neutral with respect to in-year process	2
D	Other	1

Conclusion

For each question, the majority of respondents agreed with the Council's proposal for the relevant aspect of the admission arrangements.