

**Tiffin School Admissions 2023
Consultation Rationale - December 2021**

The Governors of Tiffin School ('the School') are proposing changes to the School's 2023 admissions arrangements. The changes, and the rationale for them, are summarised below. We invite your views on these changes.

Renaming the 'Inner Priority Area' as the 'Priority Area' and removing all reference to the 'Outer Priority Area': We currently have an Inner Priority Area (IPA) of 10km and an Outer Priority Area (OPA) between 10km and 14km. We have not admitted anyone from outside the IPA since it was introduced and we do not expect to do so in the future. The current admissions policy is therefore unnecessarily complicated and gives the false impression that there is some 'priority' for those living between 10km and 14km. This change should have no impact on which students are offered places in Year 7. (Paragraphs 9.1, 10, 11.5)

Deletion of references to Statement of Special Educational Needs: These have now been entirely replaced by Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs). (Paragraphs 9.5, 11.1, 19)

Changes to In-Year Admissions Arrangements: These have been updated in line with the DfE School Admissions Code 2021. The procedure for application has also changed so that the first step in the application process is an application direct to Kingston Local Authority. (Paragraphs 11, 12)

Increase in the total grade score in the best 8 GCSEs required for admission into the Sixth Form from 54 to 56: This is in response to the changing grade profile of the applications that we receive. (Paragraph 15.2)

Increase in the minimum places offered to external applicants in Sixth Form from 40 to 60: We have for many years offered more than 60 places to external applicants and plan to continue to do this. (Paragraph 15.4)

Clarification of the specific course requirements at Sixth Form: These are now all articulated in the same place in section 18.

This consultation is required under paragraph 1.45 of the DfE School Admissions Code 2021. The six-week consultation period will run from Wednesday 15 December 2021 to Thursday 27 January 2022. Responses must be received by 12.00 noon on Thursday 27 January 2022.

If you would like to express a view on the proposed changes, please:

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