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John 10:10**

Queen Eleanor's Church of England Junior Schools 2027/8 Admissions Policy Consultation

The Good Shepherd Trust is the Admissions Authority for Queen Eleanor's Church of England Junior School, Queen Eleanors Rd, Guildford GU2 7SD

The Trust is consulting on a proposed change to the 2027/8 admissions policy for Queen Eleanor's Church of England Junior School and would like to hear your views. The Trust has a statutory duty to consult on admissions arrangements if we intend to make a change.

The consultation period will run from Friday 12th December 2025 to Friday 23rd January 2026

Information about the consultation will be provided on the Trust website

<https://www.goodshepherdtrust.org.uk/our-schools/admissions>

and school websites [Admissions - Queen Eleanor's C of E Junior School - Jesus the Good Shepherd said, "I Have Come to Give Life - Life in All its Fullness." John 10:10](#), during the consultation period.

What is the proposed change?

Removal of the following criteria

3. Children living within the parish of All Saints Church, Guildford, or St. Nicolas Church, Guildford (see note 4) who are a Regular Worshipper (see note 3) or who have at least one parent (see definitions) who are a Regular Worshipper (see note 3) at either church AND who have at least one parent (see definitions) who is on the Church Electoral Roll. A Supplementary Information Form (SIF) signed by the vicar of that church MUST be submitted at the time of the initial application (see appendix).

7. Children who have at least one parent (see definition) who is on the Church Electoral Roll (or equivalent membership) AND who is a Regular Worshipper themselves or who have at least one parent who is a Regular Worshipper (see note 3) at another Christian church for whom Queen Eleanor's is the nearest Church of England junior school. A Supplementary Information Form (SIF) signed by the vicar of that church MUST be submitted at the time of the initial application.

Comments are not being sought on any other area of the policy.

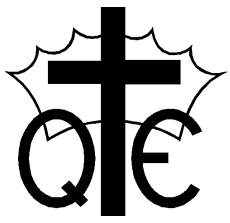
Rationale

The Trust seeks to be as inclusive as possible with our admissions policies and procedures. We welcome pupils from all faiths and none and we are keen to make our admissions policy as clear as possible in regard to this. We have, therefore, proposed to remove all church-related criteria from our school admissions policies. Some parents have suggested that these criteria have been a barrier to applying to our schools.

Potential Impact

In the past three years, the number of pupils admitted into the school is as follows:

	2025	2024	2023
Places available	90	90	90
Total places offered	76	90	83
Places offered under criterion 3	0	0	1
Places Offered under criterion 7	1	1	0



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Only three pupils have been offered places under these criteria in the past three years, and the school has places available in all year groups at present. With a declining pupil population in the area, we do not see these changes having any impact on admissions to the school.

How can I respond to the consultation?

If you would like to submit a response to the consultation, please email Mr Paul Kennedy on: admissions@goodshepherdtrust.org.uk or write to: Mr Paul Kennedy, The Good Shepherd Trust, Larch Building, Larch Avenue, Guildford, Surrey, GU1 1JY.

Please ensure that your response is entitled: 2027/8 Admissions Policy Consultation.

You are able to submit a free text response.

However, the Trust Board would find it helpful if you could include your name and the name of the school to which you are submitting a response. Also, if you are able to indicate whether you will be affected by the proposed change and if so, in what way.

Further details on the admissions consultation process can be found in the School Admissions Code:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1001050/School_admissions_code_2021.pdf

What happens next?

Please note that you will not receive an individual response to your submission and no changes to the proposed policies will be made during the consultation period. After the consultation has closed, all responses will be collated and presented to the Trust Board during the first half term of the spring term 2026. The Board will then decide whether to proceed with the proposed change as well as determining the admission arrangements for all other Trust schools for which no changes are proposed. Once determined the final admission arrangements for all schools will be placed on the websites of the individual schools and sent to the Local Authority and Diocese.