

## **Determining the ‘Relevant Area’ for Consultation on Admission Arrangements for Own Admission Authority Schools in the Local Authority Area of Westmorland & Furness**

All schools where the governing body or academy trust is the admission authority, ie voluntary aided, foundation, free schools and academies (including UTCs and Studio Schools), must consult the Local Authority (LA) and all schools (including community and voluntary controlled schools) within their ‘relevant area’ before determining their admission arrangements. Some schools will also need to consult neighbouring LAs and schools in neighbouring authorities.

### **Proposed Definition of Relevant Areas for Admission Authorities in Westmorland & Furness for the period 2026-27**

1. Primary Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Free Schools and Academies
  - (1) all primary schools with the catchment area of the school, all primary schools whose catchment areas adjoin the catchment area of the school and any other primary schools within those adjoining catchment areas; and
  - (2) where appropriate, the neighbouring LA, i.e. where the school’s catchment boundary is coterminous with the neighbouring LA boundary, and any schools in the neighbouring LA within a 2 mile radius.
  
2. Secondary Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Free Schools and Academies (including UTCs and Studio Schools)
  - (1)
    - (i) all secondary schools whose catchment area adjoin the catchment area of the school;
    - (ii) all primary schools with the catchment area of the secondary school; and
    - (iii) all primary schools whose catchment areas adjoin the catchment area of the secondary school.
  - (2) where appropriate, the neighbouring LA, i.e. where the school’s catchment boundary is coterminous with the neighbouring LA boundary, and any primary and secondary schools in the neighbouring LA within a 5-mile radius.

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