



William Gilbert Endowed

(Church of England)

Primary School & Nursery

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Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Consultation on William Gilbert Endowed C of E Primary School & Nursery Admission Arrangements for September 2025

Following the publication of the new School Admissions Code 2021, I am writing to notify you of the consultation on the William Gilbert Endowed C of E Primary School & Nursery admissions policy for September 2025. The admissions policy has been adapted to ensure we are fully compliant with the new School Admissions Code (2021). There have been changes to the school's oversubscription criteria and the following has been removed at the request of the Derby Diocese Board of Education:

- Children of whom at least one parent or carer has regularly worshipped at St Alkmund's Church or any Christian church recognised as a member of Churches Together in England for a period of at least 1 year prior to the date of application. Regular Church attendance must be verified by a letter from the relevant priest, minister or churchwarden which parents must obtain and provide to the Local Authority with their application form by the closing date for applications.

The consultation period commenced on 2nd October until 24th November 2023. During this time, individuals and organisations are invited to express their views and any concerns about the proposed admissions policy for William Gilbert Endowed C of E Primary School & Nursery.

In addition, the policy has also been updated and refers to the Admissions Appeal Code 2022 rather than the Admissions Appeal Code 2012, as per previous policies.

A full version of the admissions policy is available to view on the school website here: <https://www.williamgilbertend.derbyshire.sch.uk/>. If you require a hard copy, please contact the school office on 01332 388650.

In accordance with statutory DfE guidance, the consultation will run for at least six weeks and, as an interested party at William Gilbert Endowed C of E Primary School & Nursery, we are keen to hear your views; therefore, we invite you to participate in the consultation if you have any concerns regarding the matter.

All responses to the consultation should be made in writing and submitted before 12 noon on Friday 24th November 2023 to: Admissionsconsultation@ddat.org.uk. If you wish to submit any correspondence by hand or by post to the school, please mark the correspondence: FAO DDAT Consultation Team, C/O William Gilbert Endowed C of E Primary School & Nursery, Vicarage Lane Duffield, Belper, Derbyshire, DE56 4EB.

Please note that all responses need to include your school's name and should outline your personal details, including your name, address and relationship to the school.



At the end of the consultation period, the governing body will meet to consider responses. The outcome of the consultation will be published on the William Gilbert Endowed C of E Primary School & Nursery website as soon as possible following a decision being reached by the Local Governing Body. Hard copies of the final report will be made available on request to all respondents of the consultation.

If you wish to further discuss this matter, or anything mentioned in this letter, please contact: Admissionsconsultation@ddat.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Liz Sheppard
Chair of the William Gilbert Endowed CE Primary School & Nursery Governing Body