



# ISLINGTON SCHOOLS FORUM

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<b>MEETING DATE</b>	<b>29 November 2018</b>
<b>AGENDA ITEM 9</b>	<b>Islington School Place Planning 2018</b>
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	That Schools' Forum:  a) Notes the report

### 1 Background

- 1.1 The full report is not yet complete but set out below are the main points.
- 1.2 The GLA provides roll projections to Islington, as they do for most of the other LAs in London. This year, they have provided data that suggests no further growth in student numbers for the foreseeable future at both primary and secondary.
- 1.3 Previous years' projections were suggesting some growth. This is because one element of the model uses data from ONS for international migration. ONS adjusted their estimate of the numbers of children coming into the UK but not the number flowing out. This resulted in too high a number of children in the roll projections particularly for Inner London. The GLA amended their model to reduce the effect of the ONS data this year. We believe this was the correct action but it does mean that we are seeing a reduction in total numbers of children across both phases.
- 1.4 At reception we are seeing a 13-14% surplus this autumn, with a similar surplus for next year. We expect the surplus to gradually then reduce over the subsequent four years and then plateau. All planning areas have sufficient capacity for the medium term, although PA3 (Highbury) and PA5 (Canonbury) need to be kept under close review as surplus places are projected to be quite low in number by 2022/23. However, neighbouring planning areas would be able to take up any demand over capacity if needed.
- 1.5 Across primary schools (all year groups), we are anticipating a 12% surplus from September 2019, with this rising to 16% by 2023/24.
- 1.6 Our neighbouring boroughs are in a similar position on our boundaries. That is, there is sufficient provision in schools which Islington children may access.
- 1.7 The picture at secondary is similar, with 10% of year 7 places being vacant this autumn, although there is considerable variation across schools. It is anticipated that as the bulge continues to roll through the secondary phase, that this surplus will reduce around 2021 for about 3 years but then increase again. Across years 7-11 we expect the surplus to fall as low as 3% by 2023/24, but then start to increase again. However, we have sufficient space in our current estate to manage the reduced surplus.
- 1.8 Adjustments to PANs (planned admission numbers) may be made if necessary to support schools with a large number of surplus places.

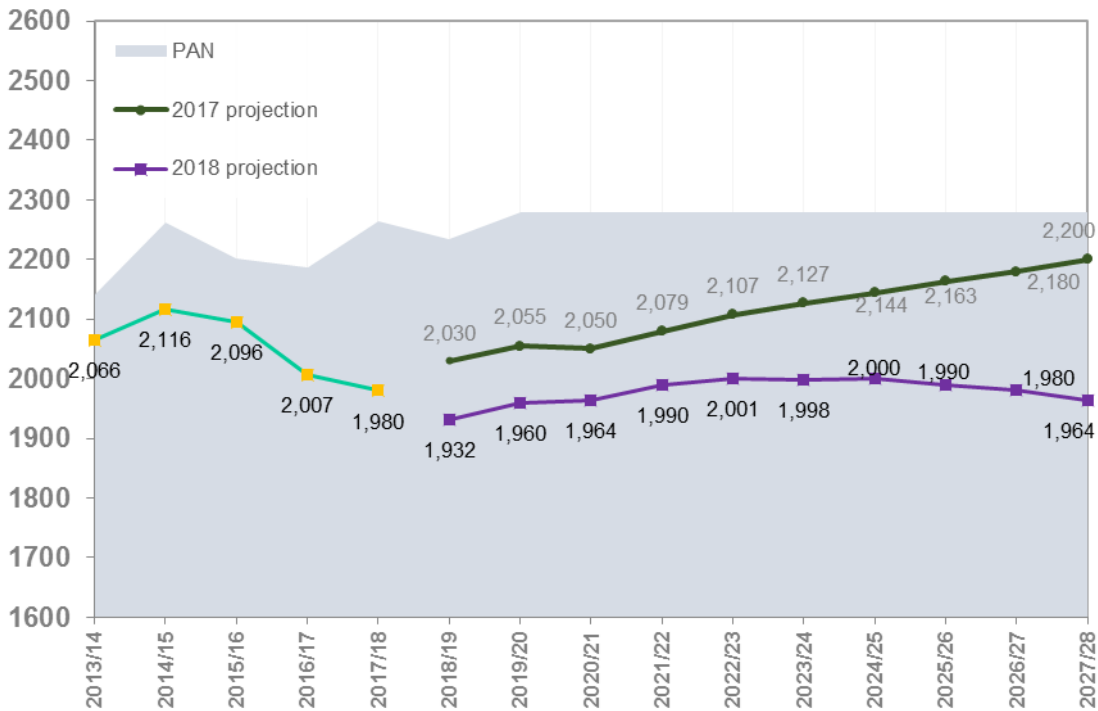
- 1.9 Further work is continuing to confirm the GLA projections as far as possible, and detailed work is also to be commenced to look at the school estate as a whole, including the need for special school places.

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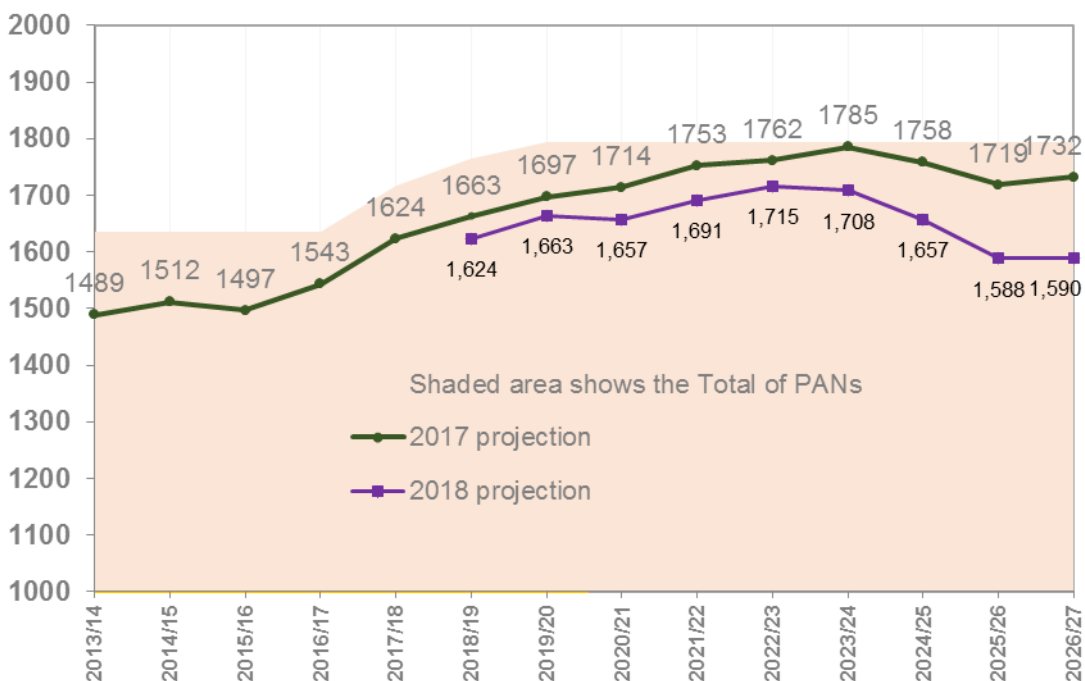
## Appendix A

### Reception Roll Numbers, Future Projections & Capacity (PANs)



Source: DfE May Census 2013-18, GLA projections and school capacity (PANs)

### Year 7 roll numbers, future projections and capacity (PANs)



Please note that the large change in the projections from 2017 to 2018 is due to the GLA adjusting for the ONS data. Also there may be changes to PANS for secondary schools once agreed by the Council's Executive and Office of the Schools Adjudicator.