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Dear Martin

SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2008/9 - STATUTORY CONSULTATION

Thank you for your letter of 1 February 2007.

The Warrington Local Admissions Forum met on 14 March 2007 and gave consideration to the request from Halton Borough Council to remove Moore and Daresbury Primary Schools as partner schools to Bridgewater High School.

They noted the concerns that the inclusion of these schools gave parents an expectation of a place. However it was also noted that Warrington Local Authority's composite prospectus does emphasise that none of the oversubscription criteria guarantees a place at the preferred school.

Also when the partnering arrangements were last consulted upon by Warrington LA in 2002 the decision was taken to allow these two schools to remain as partner schools to Bridgewater High School. Following this decision all parents were sent a letter reminding them that this did not guarantee a place at the high school.

It was further decided that the Forum would not recommend any such change for 2008/9 in view of the already significant changes being imposed for that year in terms of the treatment of parental preference. However consideration would be given to the request for future years after the Forum had consulted with interested parties.

Thank you for responding to the consultation.

Yours sincerely

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