

Commissioning Provision in West Kent

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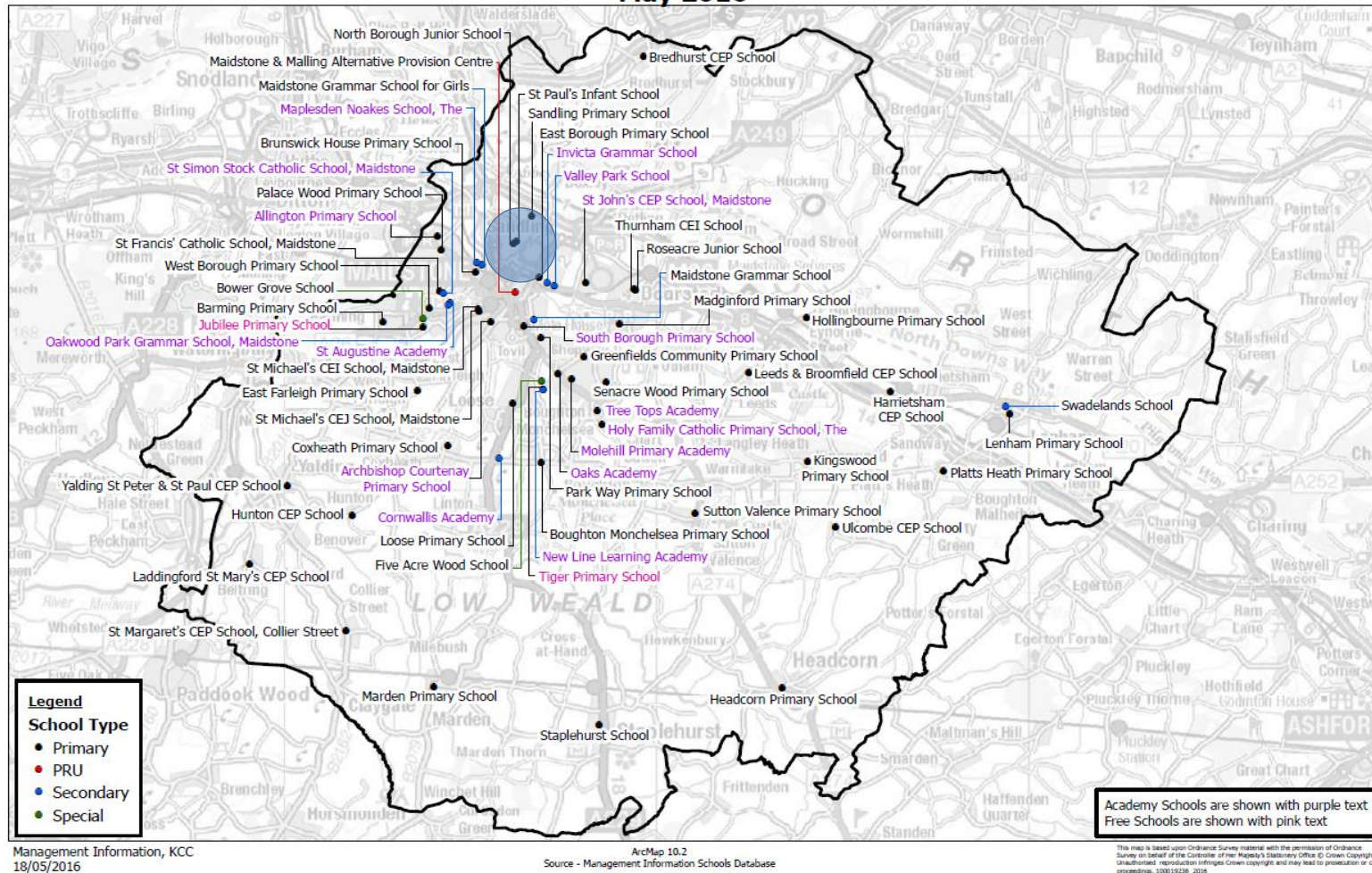
School Commissioning

The Kent Commissioning Plan 2016-20

- KCC as the Local Authority has a statutory duty to ensure sufficient school places are available. Our means of doing this is the County Council's Commissioning Plan for Education Provision in Kent 2016-20.
- This is a five year rolling plan which is updated annually. It sets out our future plans for securing school places across all types and phases of education in Kent.
- Forecasts within the current KCP focus on indigenous need and do not include all new housing developments.
- **West Kent** covers Maidstone, Tonbridge and Malling, Tunbridge Wells Districts

School Commissioning - Maidstone

Schools In Maidstone District May 2016



School location maps are available from: <http://www.kelsi.org.uk/school-management/data-and-reporting/management-information/school-location-maps>

School Commissioning - Maidstone

Primary - immediate need (Wave 12)

- Significant pressures on both Reception Year and Total Primary Rolls

Table 1: School-based forecast surplus/deficit capacity summaries: Year R

Planning Group	2014-15 capacity	2016-17 (F)	2017-18 (F)	2018-19 (F)	2019-20 (F)	2019-20 capacity
Maidstone Central and South	225	-12	13	7	9	255
Maidstone North	210	-5	-30	-27	-30	210
Maidstone East	240	4	7	4	6	240
Maidstone West	430	-35	-6	-4	-10	430
Maidstone Rural South	132	13	24	25	24	132
Shepway and Park Wood	267	54	71	82	77	327
Leeds and Hollingbourne	50	-4	1	-2	-1	50
Lenham and Harrietsham	73	0	2	3	3	73
Headcorn and Sutton Valence	73	0	-7	-9	-7	75
Marden and Yalding	94	10	-1	0	2	94
Staplehurst	75	10	12	26	19	75
Bredhurst	15	-4	-4	-4	-4	15
Maidstone	1,884	30	82	103	88	1,976

- Indigenous growth continues within the planning group of Maidstone North. The effect of a reduction in capacity in Maidstone West has also increased the demand.

Primary Free Schools: Maidstone

Primary – Maidstone North



School Commissioning - Maidstone

Primary

- Maidstone North Planning Groups of Schools:

DfE	School
2172	East Borough Primary School
2175	North Borough Junior School
2474	St. Paul's Infant School
2552	Sandling Primary School

- For 2016 we commissioned a temporary bulge at East Borough Primary School by 30 Reception year places.
- Some pupils still had to travel longer distances to their nearest available school.
- Potential school sites are currently being explored by the Education Funding Agency in Maidstone North, close to Junction 7 of the M20 motorway. It is anticipated that site will be acquired by the EFA to enable a 2FE Primary Free School to open by September 2018.

School Commissioning - Maidstone

Special Educational Needs – immediate need (Wave 12)

- Currently specialist secondary age provision for young people with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) in Kent is at opposite ends of the County meaning that pupils often have to travel long distances to the nearest suitable provision.
- We believe the scale of forecast demand for high functioning secondary aged ASD pupils would be better accommodated through the establishment of a new school and would therefore welcome proposals for a 2FE Special Secondary Free School with a designation of ASD located centrally within the Maidstone Borough.

School Commissioning - Maidstone

Special Educational Needs – immediate need (Wave 12)

Commissioning of Places

- The commissioning of places at the new Free School by KCC SEN Team would be subject to a service level agreement, in line with the Finance arrangements set out below.
- It is proposed that KCC would commission up to 120 11-16 places at a new ASD Special School, i.e. 24 per year group, plus 20 f.t.e post-16 places.

Location

- Potential school sites are currently being explored by the Education Funding Agency in Maidstone North, close to Junction 7 of the M20 motorway. It is anticipated that site will be acquired by the EFA to enable a 2FE Secondary ASD Free School to open by September 2018.

School Commissioning - Maidstone

Special Educational Needs – immediate need (Wave 12)

Finance

- The formula funding for a Special School is based on KCC's standard funding framework for Kent Special schools. The formula is calculated taking into account the specific characteristics of each individual school; including premises area, fixed costs and pupil need profile.
- The indicative rate for a new 120 place Special School for pupils with ASD, based on a school with a similar profile, is approximately £19,955 per pupil.
- KCC will work with any sponsor intending to submit an application to develop the detailed financial model in line with phasing of the growth in pupil numbers as part of the application process.

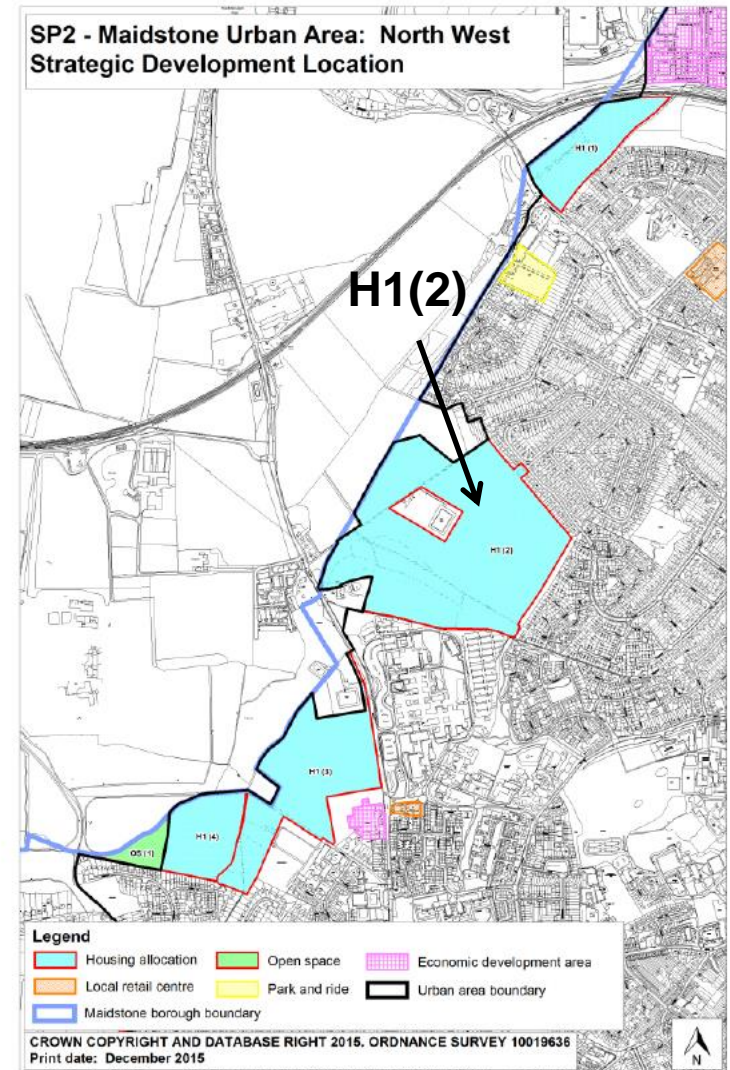
School Commissioning - Maidstone

**Primary – medium to long term
(2019–20 to 2021-22) (possibly Wave
14)**

- Land for a 2FE Primary School at the Hermitage Lane site has been secured.
- The opening of this school must be in response to the phasing of the new housing developments.

Extract Key infrastructure requirements for the north-west strategic development location include:

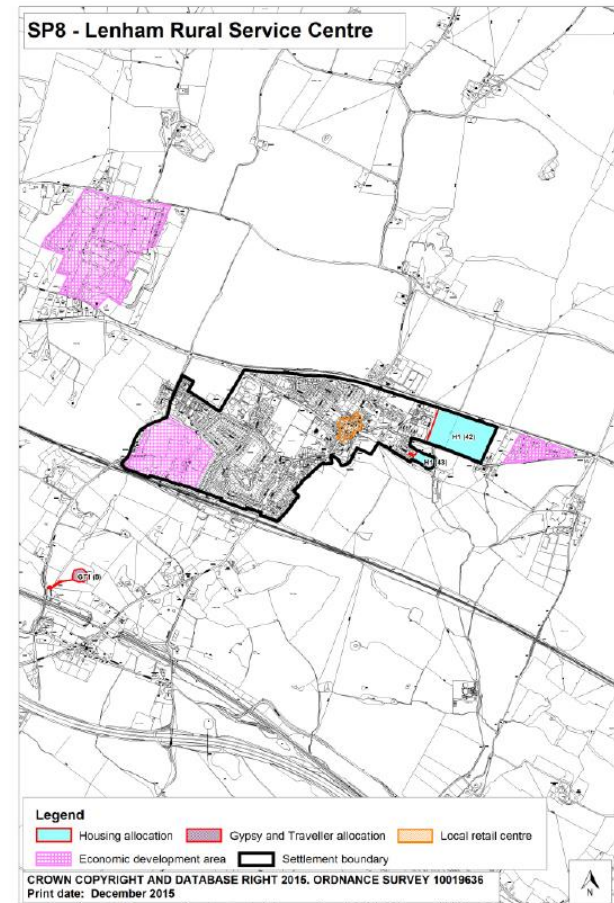
- i. Highway and transport infrastructure including improvements to: the M20 junction 5 roundabout; junctions of Hermitage Lane/London Road and Fountain Lane/Tonbridge Road; pedestrian and cycle access; and public transport, including provision of a new bus loop in accordance with individual site criteria set out in policies H1(1) to H1(4).
- ii. A new two form entry primary school, community centre and local shopping facilities will be provided on-site H1(2) to serve new development.
- iii. A minimum of 15.95 hectares of publicly accessible open space will be provided.



School Commissioning - Maidstone

Primary – medium to long term

- Maidstone Borough Council (MBC) have also proposed two strategic housing allocations at Lenham and Maidstone Barracks.
- These are unlikely to come forward for another 5-10 years but each will require a 2FE Primary school.
- KCC will work with MBC as further detail of these proposals becomes available.



School Commissioning - Maidstone

Secondary

- The table below sets out the forecasts of secondary provision available in the Maidstone District as at September 2016.

Extract from the 2016-2020 Plan – Secondary Forecast data for the Maidstone District:

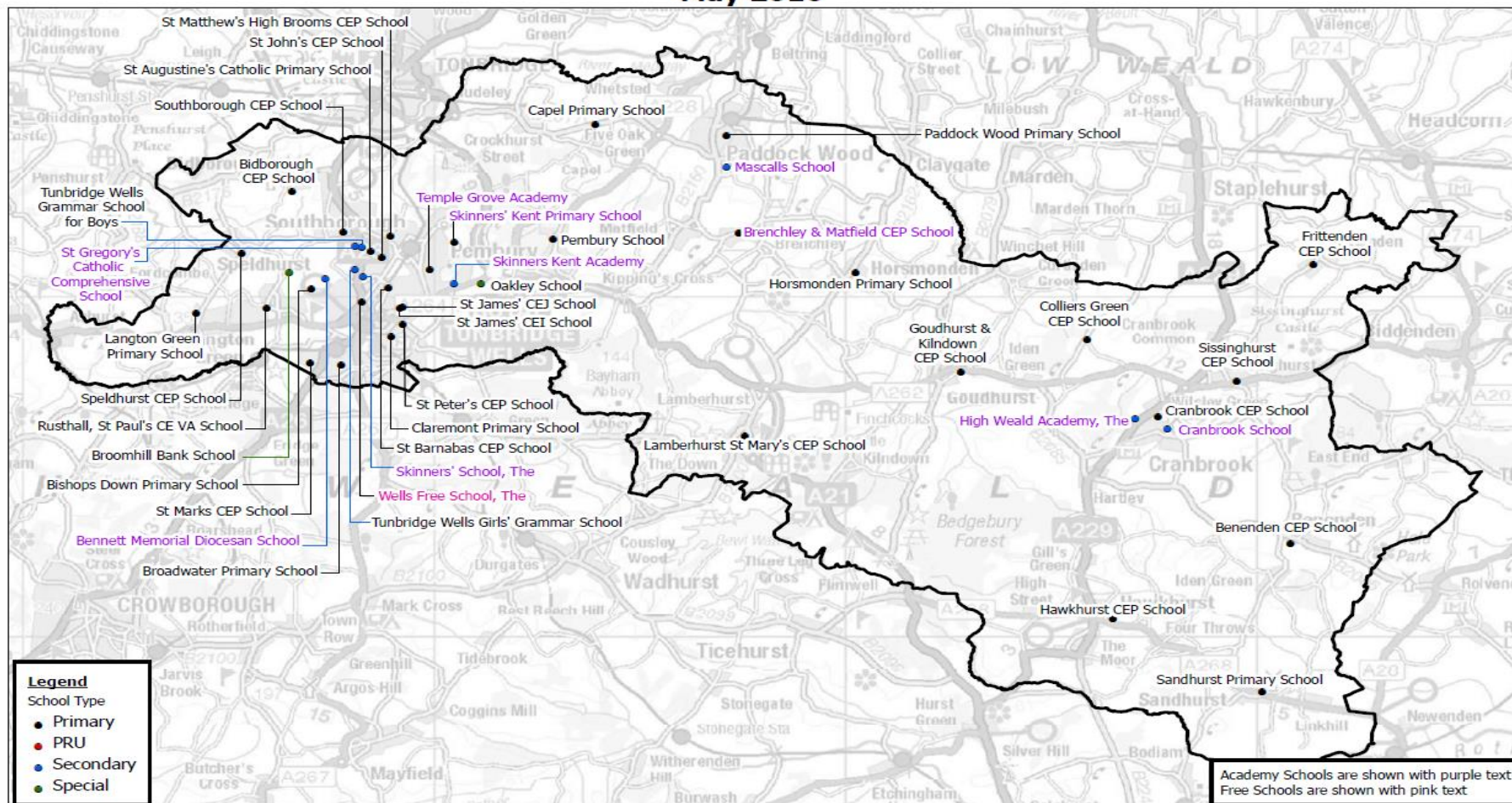
	2014-15 PAN / capacity	2014-15 (A)	2015-16 (F)	2016-17 (F)	2017-18 (F)	2018-19 (F)	2019-20 (F)	2020-21 (F)	2021-22 (F)	2021-22 capacity
Year 7	2,065	171	129	129	46	-79	-173	-220	-259	2,047
Years 7-11	10,268	1,143	1,005	880	721	406	62	-287	-674	10,235

- Whilst significant demand is forecast across the five-year Plan period, there are clear plans in place to address this need.
- A new Secondary Free School will now open in September 2018 for 180 Year 7 pupils. The Sponsor is Valley Invicta Academies Trust (VIAT) and the school will be named 'The Maidstone School of Science and Technology'.

School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Schools

Schools In Tunbridge Wells District May 2016



Management Information, KCC
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Source - Management Information Schools Database

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School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Primary

- There are currently 33 Primary schools in the Tunbridge Wells District
- The forecasts indicate a deficit of Reception Year places within the planning group of Pembury for September 2016 and beyond.
- The first FE of a new 2FE Primary school opened in September 2015 on the housing development at Knights Wood, located in Tunbridge Wells Town planning group. The Skinners' Kent Primary School will meet the pupil product arising from the housing development and provide additional places towards indigenous population growth. It hosts a Satellite Unit operated as part of Oakley Special School and provides inclusive provision for up to 12 pupils.
- Future pressure is anticipated from housing developments including Hawkenbury Farm and Paddock Wood, necessitating additional Primary school provision.
- The scope for future Primary school expansion is limited due to the nature and location of available sites.

School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Primary

Forecasts - extract from 2016-20 KCP

School-based surplus / deficit capacity summaries: Year R

Planning Group	2014-15 PAN/ capacity	2014-15 (A)	2015-16 (F)	2016-17 (F)	2017-18 (F)	2018-19 (F)	2019-20 (F)	2019-20 PAN / capacity
Tunbridge Wells Town	279	26	31	55	64	71	65	309
Tunbridge Wells South	260	22	3	6	34	20	22	260
Tunbridge Wells West	130	13	32	3	0	24	13	110
Southborough	180	9	7	10	37	9	14	180
Pembury	60	0	-14	-11	-8	-2	-4	60
Paddock Wood	180	10	9	19	15	26	19	180
Goudhurst and Lamberhurst	60	0	6	5	12	17	15	60
Cranbrook	111	21	7	-1	13	18	13	106
Hawkhurst and Sandhurst	55	2	3	14	15	18	16	60
Tunbridge Wells	1,315	103	84	100	181	201	172	1,325

School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Housing

Hawkenbury Farm

- With the support of St Peters Church of England Primary School KCC proposes to expand the school to 2FE and relocate to the Hawkenbury site.
- The existing school site is currently split over three areas so the development provides the opportunity to integrate the school onto one site.



School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Housing

Paddock Wood

- The development of a total of 1,050 new homes is proposed in Paddock Wood.
- The majority of this is across three medium sized development sites, two of which are currently within the planning system.
- In response to the proposed development a new 2FE Primary school is required and a site to accommodate this will be secured through the planning system.
- Tenax Schools Trust have been approved through Wave 11 as the Sponsor of the new school at Paddock Wood. KCC awaiting confirmation that the opening of the new school is conditional upon the housing gaining planning consent.
- The school opening must be commissioned in line with occupations of the new developments.

School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Secondary

- The number of Year 7 places in Tunbridge Wells Secondary schools is 1,520 for September 2016.

Secondary capacities 2016-17

School	Sub-type	Intake year group	Status	Ward	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Total
Bennett Memorial Diocesan School	Wide ability	Year 7	Academy	St Johns	270	240	240	240	224	1,214
Cranbrook School	Grammar	Year 9	Academy	Benenden and Cranbrook	0	0	162	162	150	474
High Weald Academy	Wide ability	Year 7	Academy	Benenden and Cranbrook	150	150	150	150	150	750
Mascalls School	Wide ability	Year 7	Academy	Paddock Wood West	240	240	240	255	240	1,215
Skinners' Kent Academy	High	Year 7	Academy	Sheerwood	210	180	180	180	150	900
Skinners' School	Grammar	Year 7	Academy	St Johns	150	150	145	150	115	710
St. Gregory's Catholic School	Wide ability	Year 7	Academy	St Johns	180	210	180	180	180	930
Tunbridge Wells Girls' Grammar School	Grammar	Year 7	Foundation	St Johns	140	140	140	140	140	700
Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys	Grammar	Year 7	Community	St Johns	180	180	210	180	210	960
Total					1520					

Year group capacity different to previous year

- The commissioning of Secondary places in Tunbridge Wells is influenced by the demand (mainly for selective provision) from students resident in the wider area crossing into Tunbridge Wells District. This demand exacerbates the local pressure on secondary school places particularly grammar schools.

School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Secondary

- The table below is extracted from the Kent Commissioning Plan (2016-20) and sets out the school population figures and forecasts for Year 7 and Years 7-11

	2014-15 PAN-7 capacit ty	2014-15 (A)	2015-16 (F)	2016-17 (F)	2017-18 (F)	2018-19 (F)	2019-20 (F)	2020-21 (F)	2021-22 (F)	2021-22 capacit y
Year 7	1,515	149	88	49	-47	-153	-194	-166	-167	1,444
Years 7-11	7,902	951	847	646	487	120	-223	-478	-694	7,706

- We reviewed the need for selective places in the travel to school area of Sevenoaks South, Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells town and are seeking to commission additional places where required. Forecasts indicated a need for additional selective provision to serve Sevenoaks from 2016-17, prior to an overall deficit of Year 7 places occurring in Tunbridge Wells from 2017-18.
- In reality the pressure came forward for September 2016!

School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Secondary – immediate need (Wave 13)

- There is a significant demand for wide-ability secondary aged school provision in Tunbridge Wells: up to 7 FE by 2018-19 and a further 2FE by 2021 – 22.

Extract from 2016-20 KCP

by 2016-17	by 2017-18	by 2018-19	2019-20 to 2021-22
	2FE	5FE	2021-22 – 2FE

- Discussions are being held with schools to identify suitable expansion projects. A more strategic approach would be to encourage the establishment of a new wide ability Secondary School for the Borough.
- KCC would be interested in **Wave 13** applications for a new all-ability Secondary School which could accommodate at least 6 FE of student demand in Tunbridge Wells.
- Due to the need for 2018 delivery, applicants are recommended to consider in advance the possibility of a phased opening or temporary accommodation.
- There is also a possibility of an increase in Secondary pupils in the Paddock Wood area due to the proposed housing development.

School Commissioning – Tunbridge Wells

Location

- We recognise is a very significant capital project and it is well understood that the Borough is constrained in a number of areas due to planning and transportation links which may make it challenging to find unconstrained locations.
- The Department for Education, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council and the Education Funding Agenda are working together in order to identify a site.
- Three broad site areas are being explored:
 - **St Johns Area**
 - **A264 Pembury Road Area**
 - **North Farm Area**

Overview

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Legend
 School Type
 ● Primary
 ● PRU
 ● Secondary
 ● Special

Academy Schools are shown with purple text.
 Free Schools are shown with pink text.

Management Information, KCC
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ArcMap 10.2
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School Commissioning – Tonbridge & Malling

Overview

- There are currently 45 schools in the Primary phase (39 Primary, three Infant and three Junior schools)

Forecasts - extract from 2016-20 KCP:

School-based surplus/deficit capacity summaries: Year R

Planning Group	2014-15 PAN	2014-15 (A)	2015-16 (F)	2016-17 (F)	2017-18 (F)	2018-19 (F)	2019-20 (F)	2019-20 PAN
Tonbridge North	264	0	4	-3	-30	-4	-12	248
Tonbridge South	150	0	27	7	-21	-6	-8	150
Hildenborough	60	0	-3	-8	-7	-13	-9	60
Borough Green and Wrotham	131	22	14	24	17	12	18	131
Stansted and Trottiscliffe	27	12	3	1	3	1	1	12
Hadlow and East Peckham	60	8	2	-9	1	1	0	55
Kings Hill and Mereworth	210	16	16	22	42	31	34	210
Wateringbury	30	12	7	7	4	4	5	30
Malling	150	8	15	1	-1	-6	-3	150
Larkfield and Leybourne	120	0	24	25	-3	21	15	150
Aylesford and Ditton	129	-6	16	20	10	33	23	129
Snodland	150	-3	27	21	26	14	20	180
Medway Gap	78	11	8	2	3	6	6	78
Tunbury	87	-3	4	-6	-7	-11	-7	90
Tonbridge & Malling	1,646	77	164	105	36	81	82	1,673

School Commissioning – Tonbridge & Malling

Overview: (Secondary)

- Forecasts extract

District Analysis – Secondary

	2014-15 PAN / capacity	2014-15 (A)	2015-16 (F)	2016-17 (F)	2017-18 (F)	2018-19 (F)	2019-20 (F)	2020-21 (F)	2021-22 (F)	2021-22 PAN / capacity
Year 7	1,841	279	180	184	114	58	-10	-34	-61	1,768
Years 7-11	8,599	944	1088	1180	1136	908	620	406	162	8,840

- The forecasts indicate shortfalls in Secondary School provision (Year 7) from 2018-19, increasing to a need for up to 150 Year 7 places by 2021-22. The Judd School will provide 1FE additional boys' selective Secondary provision by 2016- 17.

School Commissioning – Tonbridge & Malling

Housing

- In Tonbridge and Malling the 2007 core strategy planned for 6,375 homes.
- Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council's (TMBC) latest Objectively Assessed Housing Need is 13,460.
- TMBC recently ended a 'Call for Sites' exercise to identify potential new development sites and will, over the next few months, be assessing proposals as to their suitability for development.
- KCC will engage with this process and work with TMBC to ensure adequate provision is planned and integrated within the emerging Local Plan for the Borough.
- It is envisaged that additional housing arising from the Local Plan process will give rise to the need for additional primary and secondary school provision within Tonbridge and Malling in the medium term.

School Commissioning (West Kent)

Summary

- It is the expectation that for all schools, prospective providers should apply through the Free Schools application process in a phase appropriate to the proposed timing of opening

District	Need	Type	Location	Wave
Maidstone	2 FE	Primary Free School	Maidstone North	12
Maidstone	2 FE	ASD Secondary Free School	Maidstone North	12
Tunbridge Wells	6 FE	All Ability Secondary Free School	TBC – Central Location	13
Maidstone	2FE	Primary Free School	Hermitage Lane	14?

Questions?

Thank You

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