

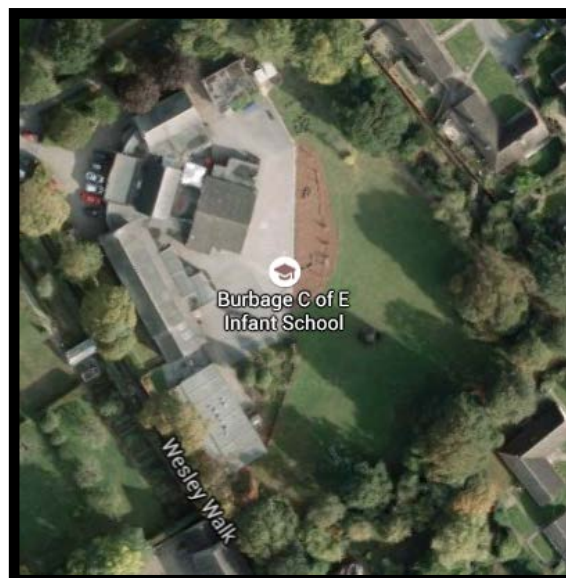


## **BURBAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN INVESTIGATION OF Burbage Church of England Infant School**

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Burbage C of E Infant School lies to the East of Burbage. The school has a maximum capacity of 255 pupils and utilises a staff of approximately 50. It has 3 classes, Reception, YR1 and YR2 and covers an age range of 5 – 7 year olds.

The school is set in approx. 0.46 hectares of land and is currently the smallest school in Burbage. The school has a small hard playing area and a small grassed area for pupils.



There is no room for parking around the school. There is a small staff car park, but due to safety reasons parents are requested not to use this.



Due to its location on a very winding road it causes a lot of parking issues during peak times and a great deal of congestion. This is compounded by the close proximity of Burbage Junior School, meaning the traffic of two schools must share the same roadspace at peak times.



The school can only be accessed from the front, there is a walkway down the side of the school (Wesley Walk), and the main entrance is situated on Grove Road.

The school is ideally situated in Burbage, however after recent classroom expansion there is now no room for further expansions or temporary classrooms.

Ofsted reports that the school is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quintile of classroom size when compared Nationally.

	2012	2013	2014	Comparing your school to the national picture in 2014				
<b>Number of pupils</b>								
School (all pupils)	383	373	377	Lowest	4th quintile	3rd quintile	2nd quintile	Highest
National average	251	257	263	3 - 134	135 - 208	209 - 264	265 - 394	395 - 1096
Year 6 pupils (KS2)	94	92	95					

The table below shows the most recent classroom sizes and a report from Sue Bromley the Bursar/Office Manager tells us that 2015 sees the largest intake so far.

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015
Pupils	260	263	276	292

(information taken from Ofsted 2014 report and school source)

Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council Primary Forecast including housing gain with planning permission forecasts the following:-

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pupils	273	278	273	256	240

(information taken from H&BBC Primary Forecast - EB20 Community, Cultural and Tourism Facilities Review (2013))

We can see from this forecast that the figures are falling short of what is actually happening and a more accurate forecast taking into account that some of the catchment area at the moment is currently 'green field' would be:-

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pupils	308	294	289	272	256

(Highest 292, Lowest 260 = difference 32 divided 4 = 8. 200 new homes divided by 20 x 5 = 38 divided by 5 = 8 plus 8 = 16)

This indicates that the school is currently at and over capacity and does not have the ability to take on further pupils whether they fall within the catchment area or not.

The school is under increasing pressure to admit children over the legal limit of 30. This is because if a child moves into the catchment area and there is not another school within a mile, they are bound by the Local Authority Admissions Policy.

The catchment area is set at 800 metres. However the school reports that it currently has 30% of pupils outside of the catchment area.



The resident survey completed by the NP asked a question about our local Schools and Colleges. Over 250 people sought to write comments about the schools and the general consensus was concern for overcrowding within the school and congestion during school runs.

The census data gathered during the 2011 census tells us that there were 498 children in the Burbage area between the age of 5 and 7. As there are two schools in Burbage currently taking this age group, this would mean that the school capacity should have been well within its limit.

In conclusion, although the school is situated ideally for the residents of Burbage, it has been forced to take more pupils than it would like. This will have an impact on the quality of education offered and therefore the Burbage Neighbourhood Plan will seek to prevent any development within the remaining green space within the catchment area.

The Leicestershire County Council Local Authority Admissions Policy state:-

No child should be admitted without an offer from the Local Authority you live in; and this is regardless of whether the child lives in the catchment area or otherwise and regardless of whether the child has attended a nursery or pre-school group at the school.

Places will normally be allocated up to the Admission Number (AN), with careful consideration being given to the relationship between admission limits and infant class sizes requirements. In compliance with the relevant regulations, an infant child (i.e., up to and including Year 2) who moves into a school's area once initial allocation decisions have been made will **not necessarily** be offered a place in the school if the relevant class will already contain 30 children.

This section does not apply to late in-catchment applicants, who **may not** be offered catchment places if the infant class is at 30, regardless of distance to the next nearest available school.

In the unusual event of there being one space available within the infant class size limit, children of multiple births are permitted exceptions to the class size limit in these circumstances.

In addition, all the following are also considered as exception to the class size limits:-

Those children who are in the care of a Local Authority (including previously in care)

Children with a Statement of Special Educational needs (including those with a full statement receiving part of their education by arrangement at another school or in an infant class part-time)

**Movement into catchment where there is no other available school within a reasonable distance from the home address** (where the reasonable distance is a walking route that is 2 miles for primary or 3 miles for secondary)

If a recognised error was made during the implementation of the school admission arrangements

Those admitted by an independent appeal panel

Children of service personnel e.g. Army children

It is the Governing body's responsibility to be consulted every 7 years before publication of the admission arrangements. At this point they may request the local authority to alter the schools admission number. It is suggested that the school seek to obtain permission to prioritise children within the catchment area due to the current increase of planning applications and to alleviate car traffic before offering remaining spaces to families outside of the area. If more development goes ahead within the catchment area, Burbage will require a further Infant School.

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## **BURBAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN INVESTIGATION OF Sketchley Hill Primary School**

[Sketchley Hill Primary School, Burbage, Leicestershire LE10 2DY 01455 238640](#)

Sketchley Hill Primary School lies to the West of Burbage. The school has a maximum capacity of 387 pupils. It has 14 classes, Foundation Stage, Key Stage One, YR3, YR4 YR5 and YR6 and covers an age range of 4 – 11 year olds.

The school is set in approx. 1 hectares of land. The school has a small hard playing area and a large grassed area for pupils, the school is situated alongside the B4109 (Rugby Road) which is one of the main roads in Burbage.



There is no room for parking around the school. There is a small staff car park, but due to safety reasons parents are requested not to use this, the school employs a safety officer to help children cross the busy road outside the school.



Due to its location on a busy road it causes a lot of parking issues during peak times and a great deal of congestion.



The school can only be accessed from the front, there is a walkway down the side of the school with access Grange Drive, and the main entrance is situated on Sketchley Road.

The school is ideally situated in Burbage. There is room to expand, however the school has already expanded 3 times during recent years. Two purpose built "mobile" classrooms and a recent two classroom extension. The most recent addition has been built on the playground.

Ofsted reports that the school is in the Highest Quintile of classroom size when compared Nationally.

2012    2013    2014                      Comparing your school to the national picture in 2014

Number of pupils				
School (all pupils)	412	397	411	
National average	251	257	263	
Year 6 pupils (KS2)	61	57	62	

Lowest	4th quintile	3rd quintile	2nd quintile	Highest
3 - 134	135 - 208	209 - 264	265 - 394	395 - 1096

The table below shows the most recent classroom sizes and a report from the school tells us that this year the school is currently operating over acceptable limits.

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015
Pupils	412	397	411	421

(information taken from Ofsted 2014 report and school source)

Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council Primary Forecast including housing gain with planning permission forecasts the following:-

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pupils	411	413	414	407	402

(information taken from H&BBC Primary Forecast - EB20 Community, Cultural and Tourism Facilities Review (2013))

We can see from this forecast that these figures are falling short of actual intake. Taking into account that the catchment area now includes the new development Mayflower Gardens which is in excess of 375 homes., and using as a rule of thumb, approximately 5 primary school pupils are created on any 20-dwelling residential scheme which has a mix of dwelling sizes (source: Angmering Neighbourhood Plan 2014-2029 version 4.06), a more accurate forecast would be:-

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pupils	446	438	439	432	427

(Highest 421, Lowest 397 = difference 24 divided 4 = 6. 375 divided by 20 x 5 = 94 divided by 5 = 19 plus 6 = 25)

The new classroom extensions are to cater for existing increased numbers and do not allow for any further increase in numbers.

The catchment area is set at 800 metres. You can see from the image below that not only does the catchment area include the Mayflower Development, but it also includes the Sketchley House development of 135 homes and also the Rugby Road Development of a further 35 homes. These have currently not been built and have not therefore been included in the forecast figures, but will inevitably further increase the demand for primary school places.



The resident survey completed by the NP asked a question about our local Schools and Colleges. Over 250 people sought to write comments about the schools and the general consensus was concern for overcrowding within the school and congestion during school runs.



The census data gathered during the 2011 census tells us that there were 1279 children in the Burbage area between the age of 4 and 11. There are other schools in Burbage currently taking these age groups, however this still means that the estimated outcome puts the school at over its limit of pupils.

In conclusion, although the school is situated ideally for the residents of Burbage, its location for parking and the supporting infrastructure do not allow for further development of this area. Further development within the area will require a new school to be built, or a substantial change to the transport and parking infrastructure to accommodate this.

By law a cap on the school capacity should be set at 30 pupils per class for infant classes.. The school reports that the required number in any age group is 55 (the school has two intake classes per year), however this is regularly exceeded up to a possible 69 pupils in any one year. .The Leicestershire County Council Local Authority Admissions Policy state:-

No child should be admitted without an offer from the Local Authority you live in; and this is regardless of whether the child lives in the catchment area or otherwise and regardless of whether the child has attended a nursery or pre-school group at the school.

Places will normally be allocated up to the Admission Number (AN), with careful consideration being given to the relationship between admission limits and infant class sizes requirements. In compliance with the relevant regulations, an infant child (i.e., up to and including Year 2) who moves into a school's area once initial allocation decisions have been made will **not necessarily** be offered a place in the school if the relevant class will already contain 30 children.

This section does not apply to late in-catchment applicants, who **may not** be offered catchment places if the infant class is at 30, regardless of distance to the next nearest available school.

In the unusual event of there being one space available within the infant class size limit, children of multiple births are permitted exceptions to the class size limit in these circumstances.

In addition, all the following are also considered as exception to the class size limits:-

Those children who are in the care of a Local Authority (including previously in care)

Children with a Statement of Special Educational needs (including those with a full statement receiving part of their education by arrangement at another school or in an infant class part-time)

**Movement into catchment where there is no other available school within a reasonable distance from the home address** (where the reasonable distance is a walking route that is 2 miles for primary or 3 miles for secondary)

If a recognised error was made during the implementation of the school admission arrangements

Those admitted by an independent appeal panel

Children of service personnel e.g. Army children

It is the Governing Bodys responsibility to be consulted every 7 years before publication of the admission arrangements. At this point they may request the local authority to alter the schools admission number. It is suggested that the school seek to obtain permission to prioritise children within the catchment area due to the current increase of planning applications and to alleviate car traffic before offering remaining spaces to families outside of the area.

If more development goes ahead within the catchment area, Burbage will require a further Primary School.

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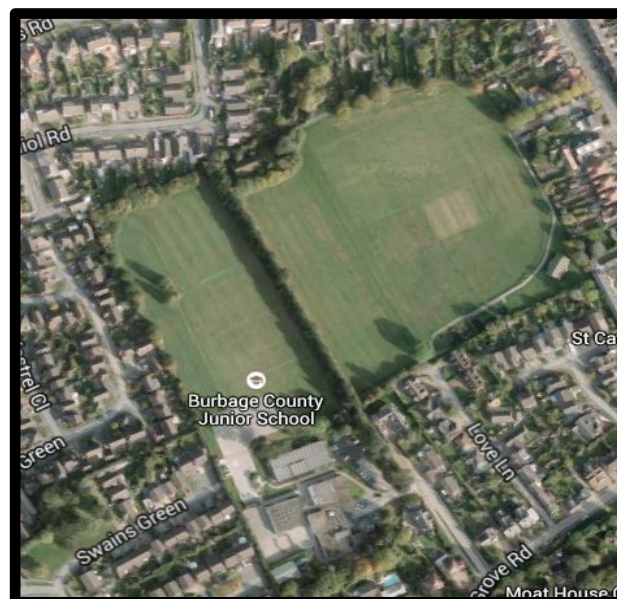


## **BURBAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN INVESTIGATION OF Burbage Junior School**

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Burbage Junior School lies to the East of Burbage. The school has a maximum capacity of 376 pupils and utilises a staff of approximately 60. It has 4 classes, Reception, YR3, YR4, YR5 and YR6 and covers an age range of 7 – 11 year olds.

The school is set in approx. 1.57 hectares of land. The school has a small hard playing area and a large grassed area for pupils, the school abuts a large Park.



There is no room for parking around the school. There is a small staff car park, but due to safety reasons parents are requested not to use this, and recently parents have been requested not to use the access road for the sake of the safety of pupils.



Due to its location on a bend road it causes a lot of parking issues during peak times and a great deal of congestion. This is compounded by the close proximity of Burbage Infant School, meaning the traffic of two schools must share the same roadscape at peak times.



The school can only be accessed from the front, there is a walkway down the side of the school with access to the park, and the main entrance is situated on Grove Road.

The school is ideally situated in Burbage. There is room to expand, however as the school was built in the 1960's, modifications would be costly. Year 5 and 6 are currently based within purpose built 'mobiles'

Ofsted reports that the school is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quintile of classroom size when compared Nationally.

2012 2013 2014

Comparing your school to the national picture in 2014

Number of pupils

School (all pupils)	383	373	377
National average	251	257	263
Year 6 pupils (KS2)	94	92	95

Lowest	4th quintile	3rd quintile	2nd quintile	Highest
3 - 134	135 - 208	209 - 264	265 - 394	395 - 1096

The table below shows the most recent classroom sizes and a report from the school tells us that this year the school is currently operating within acceptable limits.

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015
Pupils	383	373	377	365

(information taken from Ofsted 2014 report and school source)

Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council Primary Forecast including housing gain with planning permission forecasts the following:-

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pupils	380	379	383	390	385

(information taken from H&BBC Primary Forecast - EB20 Community, Cultural and Tourism Facilities Review (2013))

This indicates that the school is currently under capacity but forecasts show that it is predicted that the school will go over capacity.

The catchment area is set at 800 metres. Due to current development the school have made a statement that should they be required to take more children from within the catchment area then improvements on the school will be necessary.



The resident survey completed by the NP asked a question about our local Schools and Colleges. Over 250 people sought to write comments about the schools and the general consensus was concern for overcrowding within the school and congestion during school runs.

The census data gathered during the 2011 census tells us that there were 793 children in the Burbage area between the age of 7 and 11. There are two schools in Burbage currently taking this age group, this means that the estimated outcome puts the school at over its limit of pupils.

In conclusion, although the school is situated ideally for the residents of Burbage its location for parking and its age are not in its favour for expansion. Further development within the area will require a new school to be built, or a substantial contribution towards the development of this school.

The Leicestershire County Council Local Authority Admissions Policy state:-

No child should be admitted without an offer from the Local Authority you live in; and this is regardless of whether the child lives in the catchment area or otherwise and regardless of whether the child has attended a nursery or pre-school group at the school.

Places will normally be allocated up to the Admission Number (AN), with careful consideration being given to the relationship between admission limits and infant class sizes requirements. In compliance with the relevant regulations, an infant child (i.e., up to and including Year 2) who moves into a school's area once initial allocation decisions have been made will **not necessarily** be offered a place in the school if the relevant class will already contain 30 children.

This section does not apply to late in-catchment applicants, who **may not** be offered catchment places if the infant class is at 30, regardless of distance to the next nearest available school.

In the unusual event of there being one space available within the infant class size limit, children of multiple births are permitted exceptions to the class size limit in these circumstances.

In addition, all the following are also considered as exception to the class size limits:-

Those children who are in the care of a Local Authority (including previously in care)

Children with a Statement of Special Educational needs (including those with a full statement receiving part of their education by arrangement at another school or in an infant class part-time)

**Movement into catchment where there is no other available school within a reasonable distance from the home address** (where the reasonable distance is a walking route that is 2 miles for primary or 3 miles for secondary)

If a recognised error was made during the implementation of the school admission arrangements

Those admitted by an independent appeal panel

Children of service personnel e.g. Army children

It is the Governing Bodys responsibility to be consulted every 7 years before publication of the admission arrangements. At this point they may request the local authority to alter the schools admission number. It is suggested that the school seek to obtain permission to prioritise children within the catchment area due to the current increase of planning applications and to alleviate car traffic before offering remaining spaces to families outside of the area.

If more development goes ahead within the catchment area, Burbage will require a further Junior School.

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## BURBAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN INVESTIGATION OF Hastings High School

Hastings High School 2014. St Catherines Close, Burbage, LE10 2QE. Tel. 01455 239 414

Hastings High School lies to the North East of Burbage. The school has a maximum capacity of 600 pupils. It covers a range of pupils from the age of 11 – 16 years old and is the only High School in Burbage.

The school is set in approx. 5 hectares of land. The school has a small hard playing area and a large grassed area for pupils. It also has comprehensive sporting facilities including tennis courts. The school is situated off a residential street (St Catherines), there is a footpath which starts at Sunnyhill and travels past the main gate, there is also access from Far Lash through a field onto the footpath.





There is no room for parking around the school. There is a staff car park, but due to safety reasons parents are requested not to use this. The school does offer a bike shed for pupils.



Due to its location it causes a lot of parking issues during peak times and a great deal of congestion.



The school can only be accessed from the front, there is a walkway down the side of the school with access Sunnyhill, and the main entrance is situated on St Catherines.

The school is **not** ideally situated in Burbage. There is room to expand and a recent reorganisation of the school has increased its age spectrum.

Ofsted reports that the school is in the Lowest Quintile of classroom size when compared Nationally.

2011    2012    2013                      Comparing your school to the national picture in 2013

Number of pupils				
School (all pupils)	560	552	534	
National average	986	990	978	
	<b>Lowest</b>	<b>4th quintile</b>	<b>3rd quintile</b>	<b>2nd quintile</b>
	17 - 652	653 - 864	865 - 1060	1061 - 1307
				<b>Highest</b>
				1308 - 2543

The table below shows the most recent classroom sizes and a report from the school tells us that this year the school is currently operating within acceptable limits. Due to its recent conversion to an acadamey, Ofsted do not show current figures.

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015
Pupils	552	534		

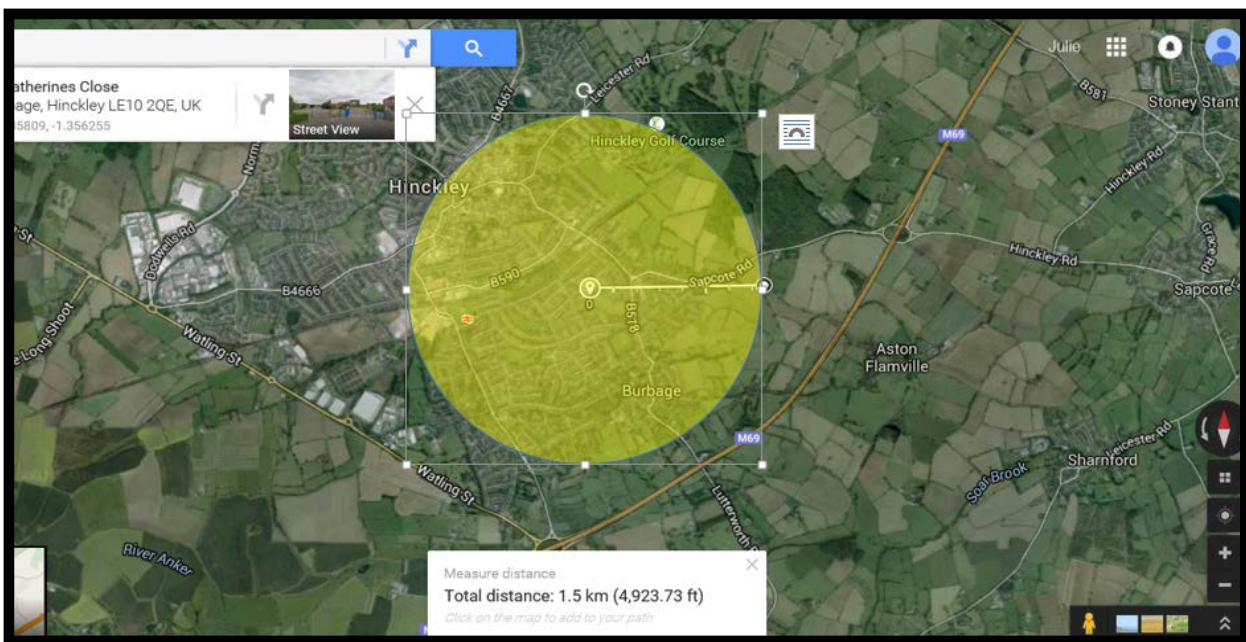
(information taken from Ofsted 2014 report and school source)

Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council Primary Forecast including housing gain with planning permission forecasts the following:-

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Pupils	543	551	559	570	581	573	578	578	593	583

(information taken from H&BBC Primary Forecast - EB20 Community, Cultural and Tourism Facilities Review (2013))

The catchment area is set at 1500 metres. You can see from the image below that not only does the catchment area include a good portion of Hinckley residents but that there are a lot of green field sites outside of the catchment with no availability of schools taking an age range of 12+.



The resident survey completed by the NP asked a question about our local Schools and Colleges. Over 250 people sought to write comments about the schools and the general consensus was concern for overcrowding within the school and congestion during school runs.

The census data gathered during the 2011 census tells us that there were 1049 children in the Burbage area between the age of 11 and 16. There are other schools in Hinckley currently taking these age groups, however this catchment only covers a small area of Burbage and pupils are expected to attend who live far outside the catchment area. The result is that if all children between the age of 11 and 16 were to attend Hastings High School, then it would be well over its acceptable limit.

In conclusion, the school is not situated ideally for the residents of Burbage. Its location at the far corner of Burbage and the parking and the supporting infrastructure are not ideal. Any further development in Burbage would require a further High school to be built in the South East area of Burbage.

The Leicestershire County Council Local Authority Admissions Policy state:-

No child should be admitted without an offer from the Local Authority you live in; and this is regardless of whether the child lives in the catchment area or otherwise and regardless of whether the child has attended a nursery or pre-school group at the school.

Places will normally be allocated up to the Admission Number (AN), with careful consideration being given to the relationship between admission limits and infant class sizes requirements. In compliance with the relevant regulations, an infant child (i.e., up to and including Year 2) who moves into a school's area once initial allocation decisions have been made will **not necessarily** be offered a place in the school if the relevant class will already contain 30 children.

This section does not apply to late in-catchment applicants, who **may not** be offered catchment places if the infant class is at 30, regardless of distance to the next nearest available school.

In the unusual event of there being one space available within the infant class size limit, children of multiple births are permitted exceptions to the class size limit in these circumstances.

In addition, all the following are also considered as exception to the class size limits:-

Those children who are in the care of a Local Authority (including previously in care)

Children with a Statement of Special Educational needs (including those with a full statement receiving part of their education by arrangement at another school or in an infant class part-time)

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