

**Title: Rainbow Primary School**

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**Annex B**

### **Impact assessment – Section 9 Academies Act Duty**

- Section 9 of the Academies Act 2010 places a duty upon the Secretary of State to take into account what the impact of establishing the additional school would be likely to be on maintained schools, Academies and Further Education institutions within the area in which the additional school is (or is proposed to be) situated. Any adverse impact will need to be balanced against the benefits of establishing the new school.
- Below is an assessment of the likely impact of the proposed school on schools within four miles (plus one school within the six-mile catchment area but outside the four-mile catchment area because two pupils from this particular school have registered to attend Rainbow) of its temporary site at Coral College, and which we know will either lose pupils to Rainbow Free School or are deemed as/rated by Ofsted as 'inadequate' or 'satisfactory'. Our assessment has taken into account representations received from the LA and from one Primary School (Atlas Primary School), outlining their concerns about the location of Rainbow School.
- From our analysis, we consider that the likely impact on the schools assessed will be minimal and expect the net effect will be positive in that the Rainbow Primary School will increase the choice available to parents. Therefore we have not undertaken a detailed assessment of each individual school within the inner and outer catchment areas or sought views directly from individual schools.
- As part of their consultation, the Trust has undertaken and sought the views of all primary and secondary schools. They have also written to Bradford Council and councillors and to residents local to the proposed site at Coral College.
- This area is among the most deprived in England and characterised by low educational achievement. Generally across Bradford, there is a need for more primary places due to an increasing population. Figures provided by the LA suggest that the pupil population is set to increase by at least 14% by 2018. This represents an increase in pupil numbers from 30,982 to 38,077 by 2014/2015. The LA calculates that this will reduce the number of surplus places available, from 39% to 2.19%.

### **Impact on maintained Primary Schools**

- The Trust has not received any direct representations from local

primary schools in the District. However, Atlas Primary school did raise directly with officials that the opening of Rainbow would impact on their own school as they do not have a full intake for their Reception class. Representations supporting the proposed Free School were received from parents and other stakeholders.

- There are a total of 88 maintained primary schools within the four mile area of the temporary site of Rainbow Free School. Six of these schools are rated by Ofsted as 'inadequate', 24 as 'satisfactory', 48 as 'good' and 8 as 'outstanding' (see Annex D – please note that there is no inspection report available for Bradford Girls Grammar School).
- Currently 43 pupils have confirmed that they will attend Rainbow Primary School in September 2011. Of these 43 pupils, 23 children want to join the reception class, 9 want to join year 1 (including 2 previously home-schooled children) and 11 want to join year 2 (this figure includes one pupil whose previous school that they attend is unknown). Table 2 below shows those pupils currently in year 1 and year 2 that are attending other institutions. It can be seen that the impact of Rainbow Free School on these schools will be negligible due to the low numbers involved. The net effect of pupils moving from those primary schools to Rainbow Primary School is  $\leq 0.5\%$  of the total student population at those eight schools. Four of those schools are over-capacity with the other four near to full capacity.

**Table 2**

Primary School	Total places	Pupils on Roll	Distance in Miles	Ofsted Rating	Pupil Admission	
					Year 1	Year 2
Al Mumin Primry (Independent)	unknown	178	0.2	Good 2007	1	1
Clayton C of E Primary	495	498	3.5	Satisfactory 2010		1
Green Lane Primary	672	664	0.29	Satisfactory 2009	2	2
Iqra Primary	481	471	0.66	Inadequate 2010		2
Ley Top	278	294	2.88	Satisfactory 2011	1	

Springwood Primary	457	455	0.66	Satisfactory 2010	1	2
Thornbury Primary (Special measures)	680	677	3.8	Inadequate 2011		1
Trinity All Saints Primary	179	199	5.1	Good 2010	1	1
Whetley Primary School	689	687	1.08	Good 2009	1	

- There are six schools within the four-mile area which are rated by Ofsted as 'inadequate' (see Annex D), and which may lose pupils when places become available at Rainbow Primary School. Whilst there may be some impact on these schools, we consider that the competition for places created by the establishment of Rainbow Primary School will provide an incentive for these poor-performing schools to compete and improve. All primary schools in Bradford were consulted with by the proposers however no formal response was received. Officials consider this significant because if any of these schools were concerned about their viability as a result of this proposal we can expect them to have taken this opportunity to raise their concerns.
- A number of schools within the local area are undersubscribed, which may indicate that these schools are unpopular with local parents or pupils. Twelve schools are oversubscribed (see Annex D), and it is possible that some of these pupils will be interested in attending Rainbow Primary school.
- As stated previously, no formal responses were received from any primary schools when they were consulted. Atlas Primary School did however raise concerns directly with DfE officials about the sustainability of their own school if Rainbow Primary opened. This was on the basis that they already do not have a full intake of children in Reception class. Officials consider the initial impact on Atlas Primary School, due to the low pupil intake at Rainbow Primary School for September 2011, to be minimal. In determining this, officials considered the fact that no children currently attending Atlas Primary School are known to have expressed an interest to attend Rainbow Primary School this coming September. There may be an impact on Atlas Primary and other primary schools within the immediate area as pupil admissions rise and Rainbow Primary School reaches capacity of 525 pupils by 2015. However, given the

rising pupil population across Bradford and the number of schools within Rainbow Primary School's admissions catchment area, we anticipate that the impact on Atlas, and other individual schools, is likely to be minimal.

- We expect that any such impact will be greatest on those schools that are Ofsted rated as 'inadequate'. Rainbow Primary School will draw pupils from a wide area in which there are a large number of primary schools and therefore any potential impact will be dispersed across a large number of schools within the inner and outer catchment areas. Officials have concluded that the impact on any one school following the establishment of Rainbow Primary School will be minimal. In addition, any negative impact on particular institutions is outweighed by the positive impact that Rainbow Primary School will have on parental choice and driving up standards in local primary schools.

### **Admissions policy**

- During the process of developing their Admissions Policy, Rainbow Primary School had several meetings with the Bradford Local Authority, and the proposer has worked closely with the admissions lead at the LA.
- The Rainbow Primary School admissions policy is fully compliant with the Admissions Code. After children with a statement of Special Educational Needs naming the school, Looked After Children and the siblings of children already attending the school, if the school is over-subscribed, priority will be given in the following order;
  - 70% of children will be selected by random allocation within an inner catchment area of a four-mile radius of the school;
  - 30% drawn from an outer catchment six miles from the school; and
  - any remaining places will be allocated to children on the basis of proximity to the school using a straight line measurement from the main entrance of the school to the main entrance of the child's home.
- To date, **43** children have confirmed that they will accept their place to start in September 2011. The proposer remains confident that their target of 50 pupils will be reached once the Funding Agreement has been signed.

## **Local Authority opinion**

- The Department wrote to the LA on 29 November and again on 15 June 2011 seeking views on Rainbow Primary School. This followed notification that Rainbow Primary School would share temporary accommodation in Coral College,
- In their response, the LA acknowledge that, over the next five years, the pupil population in the 5-11 age range (and the 11-16 age range) is forecast to rise across the District. For the 5-11 age range this increase is due to an increasing intake mainly from a rising birth rate. However, the LA does not feel the additional places identified by the proposer are required and that additional places will be managed through the incremental expansion, from reception year upwards over the next seven years, of a number of existing primary schools and the expansion of some existing Academies to all-through schools.
- The LA feels that the proposer has overstated the demand for additional places and argues, particularly in the timescales proposed for Rainbow Primary to reach capacity, that these additional primary places are not required, especially in light of their plans to expand a number of existing primary schools and the expansion of some existing Academies to all-through schools.
- It is the LAs view that these proposed expansions would adequately accommodate projected primary needs up to 2015 and therefore they do not feel that additional places provided by Rainbow Primary School within the 5-11 age range are required. We do not yet know which schools are included in the LAs expansion programme and from which point in time these places will become available.
- Given the need for additional primary places across Bradford, the mixed provision in the BD8 catchment area, and the absence of any serious representations opposing the opening of the Free School made during the consultation, it would appear unlikely that any single school, including Atlas Primary School, is likely to suffer uniquely or significantly as a result of the creation of Rainbow Primary School.

## **Impact on maintained Secondary Schools**

- The Rainbow Primary School will not become a feeder school for any particular secondary school, and we consider that as a non-faith mixed sex primary school it is very unlikely to have any impact on the choice of secondary schools that the children that attend it will go on to choose. Similarly, there is no likely impact on the FE institutions in the area local to the temporary site.

## Conclusion

- The impact of the establishment of Rainbow Primary School on other primary schools in the area will be minimal. Pupils may be drawn away from other local schools but the number being drawn away from individual schools will be so small that the impact will be negligible and all other schools within the area will remain viable.
- Any negative impact on particular institutions is outweighed by the positive impact that Rainbow Free School will have on improving parental choice by widening the number and type of places available in local Primary state provision, and may drive up standards in surrounding schools. Both these features are key aims of the Free Schools policy and we would expect Rainbow Primary to help drive up standards in schools across the board, improving standards for all young people in the area.
- Given all this information, we consider that any marginal impact of establishing Rainbow Primary School on maintained schools, Academies and FE institutions in the surrounding area is outweighed by the positive impact that the school will have on parental choice and in driving up standards in nearby institutions.

## Annex D: Rainbow Free School – Primary Schools within 4 Mile Radius

School Name	Post Code	Distance (Miles)	LA	Faith	Ofsted Rating	Total Places	Pupils on Roll	Surplus Places	% Surplus	FSM	Sex
All Saints CoE Primary	BD5 0NG	2.7	Bradford	CoE	Satisfactory2009	452	448	4	0	34	Mixed
Allerton primary	BD15 7HB	2.88	Bradford	N/A	Outstanding2011	422	431	-9	-2	25	Mixed
Atlas	BD8 8DL	0.46	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	251	249	2	0	35	Mixed
Bankfoot Primary	BD5 9NR	3.89	Bradford	N/A	Good 2001	293	305	-12	-4	22	Mixed
Barkerend Primary	BD3 0QT	1.66	Bradford	N/A	Good 2001	496	496	0	0	34	Mixed
Blakehill Primary	BD10 8QN	2.65	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	417	417	0	0	7	Mixed
Bowling Park Primary	BD5 8BT	3.18	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	681	677	4	0	25	Mixed
Bracken hill Primary	BD7 4HA	3.09	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	296	293	3	1	29	Mixed
Bradford Girls Grammar School	BD9 6RB	1.72	Bradford	N/A	NO INSPECTION REPORT AVAILABLE	385	-	0	0	0	Girls
Bradford Moor Primary	BD3 8QQ	2.7	Bradford	N/A	Good 2009	483	481	2	0	33	Mixed
Byron Primary	BD3 0AB	2.28	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	695	693	2	0	26	Mixed
Cavendish Primary	BD2 2DU	2.65	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	382	383	-1	0	37	Mixed
Clayton CoE Primary	BD14 6DD	3.46	Bradford	CoE	Satisfactory2010	495	498	-3	0	12	Mixed
Clayton Village Primary	BD14 6AD	3.84	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2008	266	266	0	0	25	Mixed
Copthorne Primary	BD7 3AY	2.36	Bradford	N/A	Outstanding 2010	492	493	1	0	24	Mixed
Cottingley Village Primary	BD16 1SY	3.47	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	470	470	0	0	14	Mixed
Crossley Hall	BD8 OHJ	2.21	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	486	489	-3	0	28	Mixed
Fagley Primary	BD2 3PU	1.87	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2009	232	219	13	6	48	Mixed
Farnham	BD7 3HU	2.6	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	496	497	-1	0	24	Mixed
Farsley Springbank Junior	LS28 5LE	5.17	Bradford	N/A	Outstanding 2010	229	218	11	5	6	Mixed
Fearnville Primary	BD4 8DX	3.41	Bradford	N/A	Inadequate 2007	446	431	15	3	43	Mixed
Feversham Primary	BD3 9EG	2.16	Bradford	N/A	Inadequate 2010	479	477	2	0	20	Mixed
Frizinghall Primary	BD9 4HP	1.47	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	462	455	7	2	25	Mixed
Girlington	BD8 9NR	1.55	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	505	513	-8	-2	29	Mixed
Green Lane Primary	BD8 8HT	0.29	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2009	672	664	8	1	30	Mixed
Grengates Primary	BD10 9AX	3.79	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	259	258	1	0	21	Mixed
Grove House Primary	BD2 4ED	1.72	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	469	468	1	0	11	Mixed
Heaton Primary	BD9 6LL	2.57	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	746	748	-2	0	33	Mixed
Heaton St Barnabas CoE Primary	BD9 4DA	1.54	Bradford	CoE	Satisfactory2010	416	416	0	0	20	Mixed

School Name	Post Code	Distance (Miles)	LA	Faith	Ofsted Rating	Total Places	Pupils on Roll	Surplus Places	% Surplus	FSM	Sex
High Craggs Primary	BD18 2ES	2.38	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	351	351	0	0	39	Mixed
Hollingwood Primary	BD7 4BE	3.11	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	478	477	1	0	17	Mixed
Holybrook Primary	BD10 0EF	3.11	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	220	211	29	13	52	Mixed
Horton Grange	BD7 2EU	2.59	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2011	687	684	3	0	25	Mixed
Horton Park Primary	BD5 9LQ	3.02	Bradford	N/A	Good 2008	228	244	-16	-7	63	Mixed
Hoyle Court Primary	BD17 6DN	3.76	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2011	203	192	11	5	9	Mixed
Idle CoE Primary	BD10 8LU	3.44	Bradford	CoE	Good 2009	202	203	-1	0	8	Mixed
Iqra	BD8 8DA	0.66	Bradford	N/A	Inadequate 2010	481	471	10	2	41	Mixed
Killinghall Primary	BD3 7JF	2.38	Bradford	N/A	Outstanding 2010	494	495	-1	0	29	Mixed
Knowleswood Primary	BD4 9AE	3.65	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	350	356	6	2	55	Mixed
Lapage Primary	BD3 8QX	2.03	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2011	692	696	4	0	31	Mixed
Ley Top Primary	BD15 7PQ	2.88	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2011	278	294	-16	6	39	Mixed
Lidget Green	BD7 2QN	2.22	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	532	554	-22	-4	34	Mixed
Lilycroft	BD9 5AD	0.99	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2009	441	446	-5	-1	24	Mixed
Lister	BD9 5AT	1.29	Bradford	N/A	Good 2009	492	487	5	1	27	Mixed
Low Ash Primary	BD18 1AA	2.29	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	473	471	2	0	12	Mixed
Lowerfields Primary	BD4 8RG	2.85	Bradford	N/A	Good 2009	473	471	2	0	37	Mixed
Margaret Mcmillan	BD9 5DF	1.49	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2011	497	497	0	0	24	Mixed
Marshfield Primary	BD5 9DS	3.65	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	486	488	-2	0	26	Mixed
Miriam Lord Community	BD8 8RG	0.74	Bradford	N/A	Outstanding 2010	487	485	2	0	22	Mixed
Newby Primary	BD5 7DQ	2.21	Bradford	N/A	Outstanding 2009	527	528	-1	0	28	Mixed
Newhall Park Primary	BD4 6AF	3.85	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	285	375	10	4	28	Mixed
Our lady and St Brendan's RC Primary	BD10 00A	3.9	Bradford	RC	Good 2011	187	170	17	9	22	Mixed
Parkland Primary	BD10 9BG	3.61	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2009	237	189	48	20	47	Mixed
Peel Park Primary	BD2 4PR	2	Bradford	N/A	Inadequate 2010	498	500	-2	0	32	Mixed
Poplars Farm Primary	BD2 1LQ	1.5	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2011	252	249	3	1	9	Mixed
Princeville	BD7 2AH	2.02	Bradford	N/A	Good 2009	482	481	1	0	25	Mixed
Saltaire Primary	BD18 4NR	2.77	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	419	419	0	0	11	Mixed
Sandy Lane Primary	BD15 9JU	3.72	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	308	308	0	0	16	Mixed
Shipley CoE Primary	BD18 2PT	1.92	Bradford	CoE	Good 2009	256	256	0	0	19	Mixed
Southmere Primary	BD7 3NR	3.19	Bradford	N/A	Good 2010	242	236	6	2	34	Mixed
Springwood Primary	BD8 8HY	0.66	Bradford	N/A	Satisfactory2010	457	455	2	0	33	Mixed
St Anthony's RC Primary	BD14 6HW	3.08	Bradford	RC	Outstanding 2010	247	246	1	0	13	Mixed



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St Anthony's RC Primary	BD18 1HD	3.43	Bradford	RC	Good 2010	132	130	-2	-2	19	Mixed
St Clare's RC Primary	BD2 3JD	2.58	Bradford	RC	Good 2006	168	154	14	8	30	Mixed
St Columba's RC Primary	BD4 9PY	3.55	Bradford		Good 2010	374	355	19	5	38	Mixed
St Cuthberts & The First Martyr's Catholic	BD9 5AT	1.29	Bradford	RC	Good 2008	223	223	0	0	12	Mixed
St Francis RC Primary	BD2 4ES	1.72	Bradford	RC	Inadequate 2009	264	255	9	3	9	Mixed
St James Church Primary	BD15 7YD	3.18	Bradford	CoE	Good 2010	242	248	-6	-14	59	Mixed
St Josephs's RC Primary	BD5 0RB	1.8	Bradford	RC	Good 2011	395	389	6	2	30	Mixed
St Luke's CoE Primary	BD2 3NS	2.45	Bradford	CoE	Good 2010	206	206	0	0	23	Mixed
St Marys and St Peter's RC Primary	BD3 9ND	2.16	Bradford	RC	Good 2008	255	252	3	1	29	Mixed
St Matthews RC Primary	BD15 7NE	2.87	Bradford	RC	Good 2010	223	234	-11	-5	29	Mixed
St Matthews CoE Primary	BD5 8HT	2.83	Bradford	CoE	Good 2010	462	461	1	0	33	Mixed
St Oswalds CoE primary	BD7 3JT	2.76	Bradford	CoE	Satisfactory2010	455	454	1	0	44	Mixed
St Philips C Of E	BD8 9JL	1.22	Bradford	CoE	Satisfactory2010	263	261	2	0	22	Mixed
St Stephens CoE Primary	BD5 7HU	2.37	Bradford	CoE	Outstanding 2010	278	293	-15	-5	20	Mixed
St Wa burga's RC Primary	BD18 4RL	2.5	Bradford	RC	Good 2006	278	276	2	0	6	Mixed
St Williams RC	BD8 9RG	1.63	Bradford	RC	Good 2010	225	225	0	0	18	Mixed
St Winefride's RC Primary	BD6 1SR	3.8	Bradford	RC	Satisfactory2011	451	447	4	0	12	Mixed
Stocks Lane Primary	BD13 2RH	3.55	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	105	102	3	3	4	Mixed
Swain House Primary	BD2 1JL	1.91	Bradford	N/A	Good 2009	457	476	-19	-4	27	Mixed
Thackley Primary	BD10 8PJ	3.46	Bradford	N/A	Good 2009	379	374	5	1	5	Mixed
Thorpe Primary	BD10 9PY	3.01	Bradford	N/A	Good 2007	198	193	5	3	23	Mixed
Wellington Primary	BD2 3DE	1.8	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	502	502	0	0	13	Mixed
Westbourne Primary	BD8 7PL	0.71	Bradford	N/A	Good 2011	485	483	2	0	24	Mixed
Westminster CoE Primary	BD3 0HW	1.93	Bradford	N/A	Good 2008	404	404	0	0	34	Mixed
Whetley	BD8 9HZ	1.08	Bradford	N/A	Good 2009	689	687	2	0	20	Mixed
Windhill CoE Primary	BD18 2NT	2.94	Bradford	CoE	Inadequate 2011	203	169	34	17	35	Mixed