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**BECKET KEYS
CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL**

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Becket Keys Church of England School

Consultation on admissions arrangements for entry to the school in September 2025.

The Russell Education Trust ('RET') is the admissions authority for Becket Keys Church of England School. The Local Governing Body considers changes to the school's admissions policy and consults on these. Following consultation, the Governors report to the Board of Trustees on the outcome of the consultation and make recommendations before RET determine the final admissions policy.

The Local Governing Body of Becket Keys Church of England School are now consulting on the admissions arrangements for entry to Year 7 and the Sixth Form from September 2025.

This consultation follows the procedure set by the Admissions Code 2021 ('The Code') and gives the local community the opportunity to provide their views on these proposed admission arrangements.

This consultation relates to the proposed amendment to the following oversubscription criteria:

Year 7 Admissions Policy - Faith Criterion

The intention of our faith criterion is to enable the children of families who are committed in faith and regularly attend a Christian Church, to gain a place at Becket Keys Church of England School. To ascertain that this is the case for individual applications, it is proposed that the period of church attendance required to meet the faith criterion is extended from two to **three years**. Regular attendance will be verified by clergy using the criteria set out on the supplementary information form. Clergy will refer to proper attendance records held by the church for the purposes of verifying attendance.

Sixth Form Admissions Policy - Faith Criterion

It is proposed that the faith criterion for external applicants to Becket Keys Church of England School Sixth Form is amended to mirror the proposed Year 7 policy, as set out above, i.e. it is proposed that the period of church attendance to meet the faith criterion is extended from two to **three years**.

A copy of the proposed Year 7 Admissions Policy, Sixth Form Admissions Policy, and the associated Supplementary Information Form for admission to the school from September 2025 are enclosed with this consultation document.

We are keen to hear views from the local community who are likely to be affected by the proposed changes and are consulting interested parties in accordance with the Code.

For schools, if appropriate and by whatever means you feel most suitable, please make the parents/carers of children in your school aware that this consultation is taking place.

The statutory six-week consultation period will run from **Friday 15 December 2023 – Friday 26 January 2024**.

Please send any responses for the attention of Mrs Jenny Downs, Chair of Governors via email admissions.consultation@becketkeys.org or direct to the school Becket Keys CofE School, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, Essex CM15 9DA.

A paper copy of the consultation documents can be requested from the school and are available on the school's website www.becketkeys.org

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Scott-Evans', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Andy Scott-Evans
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