

# **SCHOOL PLACES**

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# Bury Times

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## SCHOOLS AT FULL STRETCH

■ More than half our primaries are over capacity

Scramble for places in schools

The Bury figure is the highest across Greater Manchester, with 41.2 per cent deemed to be over capacity in Stockport, 22.9 per cent in Bolton and 17 per cent in Rochdale.

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COUNCIL

# Overview & Scrutiny Committee

## Purpose of Review

- Examination of the Pupil Forecasting Model
- Analysis of local demand pressures
- Examination of the level of migration into the borough
- Identification of potential solutions & development of strategy (short, medium and long term)
- Manage expectations – parental/schools/ members
- Identify communication strategies – Officers/Members with clear roles & responsibilities

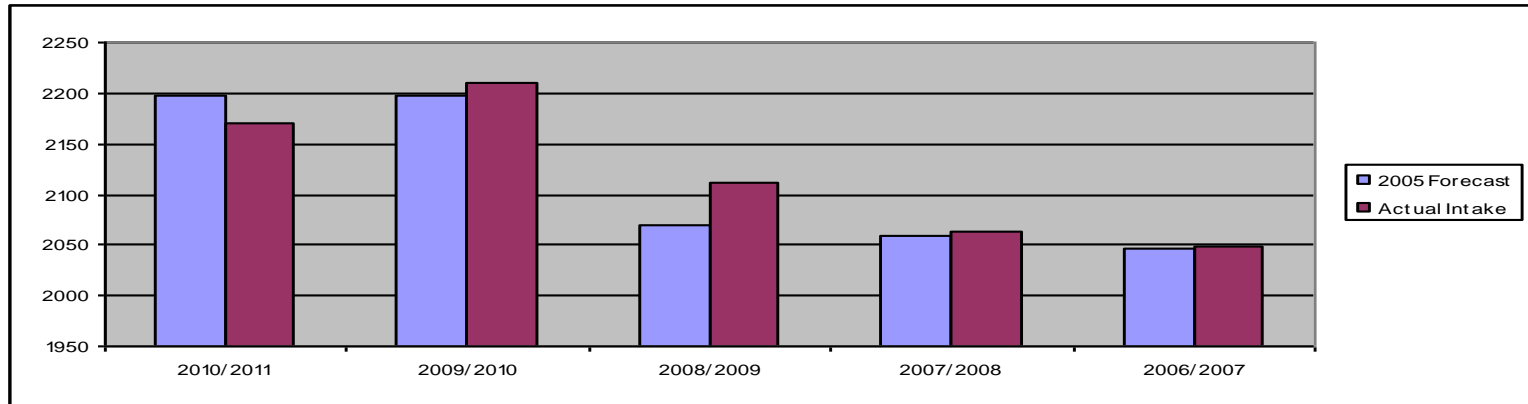
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## Report Recommendations – March 2014

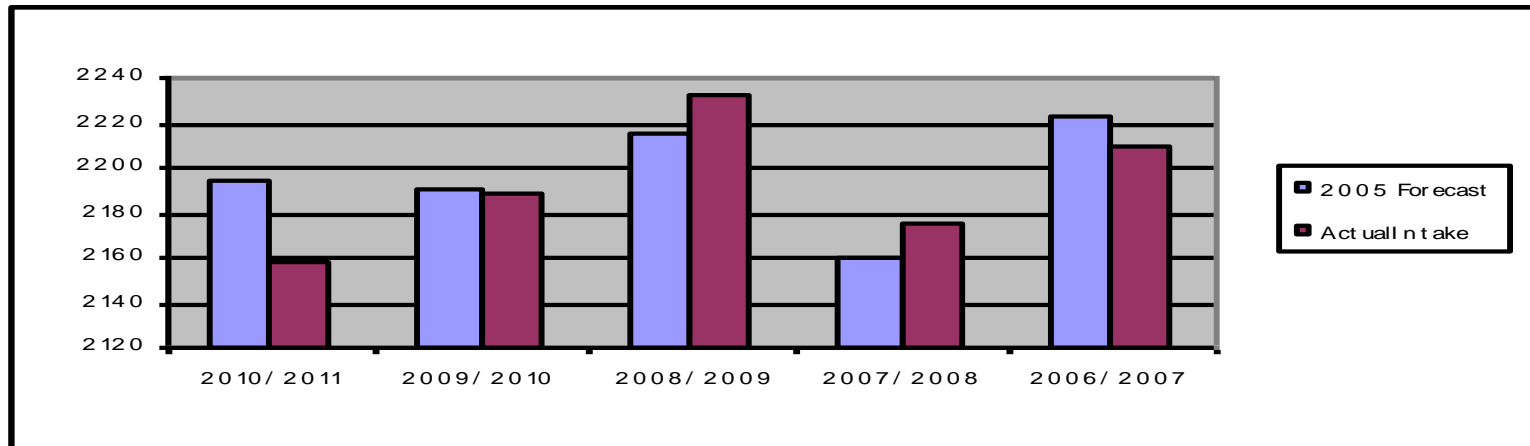
- Development of strategies that respond to both short and medium term demands for places.
- Migration into the borough - monitor patterns and developments, regular liaison with neighbouring boroughs.
- Targeted strategies to manage demand pressures continue to be monitored with regular consultations with local headteachers at affected schools.
- Role of Elected members in the admissions and appeals process.

# Historical Forecasts

## Primary



## Secondary



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# Local Context

- 5% increase in population by 2022
- 2% reduction in 0-14 year old population by 2022
- Differential impact of population change across borough
- Insufficient capacity in neighbouring LA's

# Factors Affecting Demand

- Birth rates
- Inward & outward migration from the area
- Immigration into the UK
- Cross border movement
- Housing developments and changes in the housing market
- Parental preference
- Changes in (demand for) private education provision
- Establishment of academies
- Impact of welfare reforms

# The Current Situation

## Reception 2015

- 96% of applicants offered a school of preference
- 83% of applicants offered their first preference school

## Transfer 2015

- 98% of applicants offered a school of preference
- 89% of applicants offered their first preference school



# Appeals Lodged

- Reception Appeals

2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
167	175	207	162	289

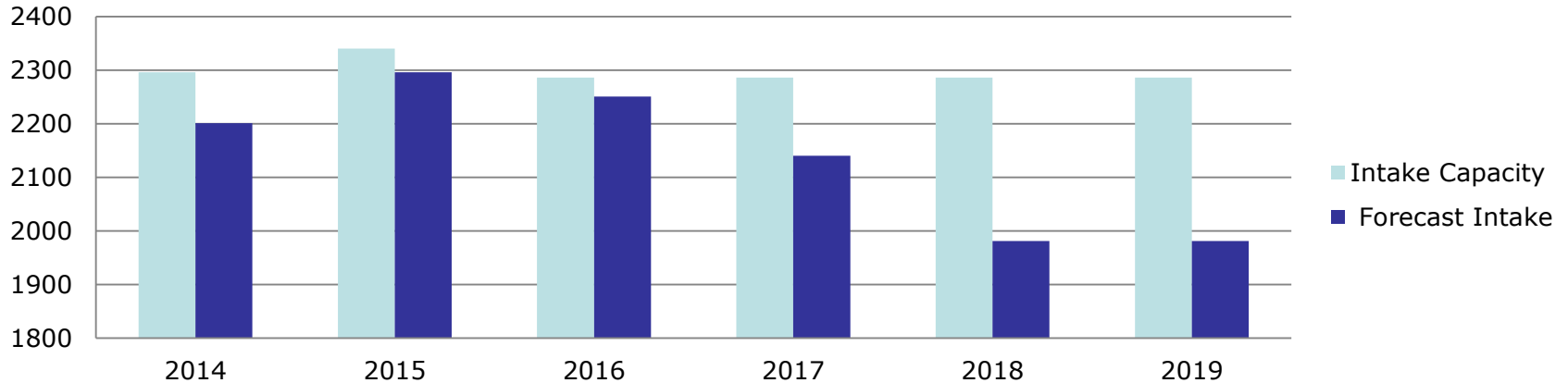
- Transfer Appeals

2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
129	122	177	171	178

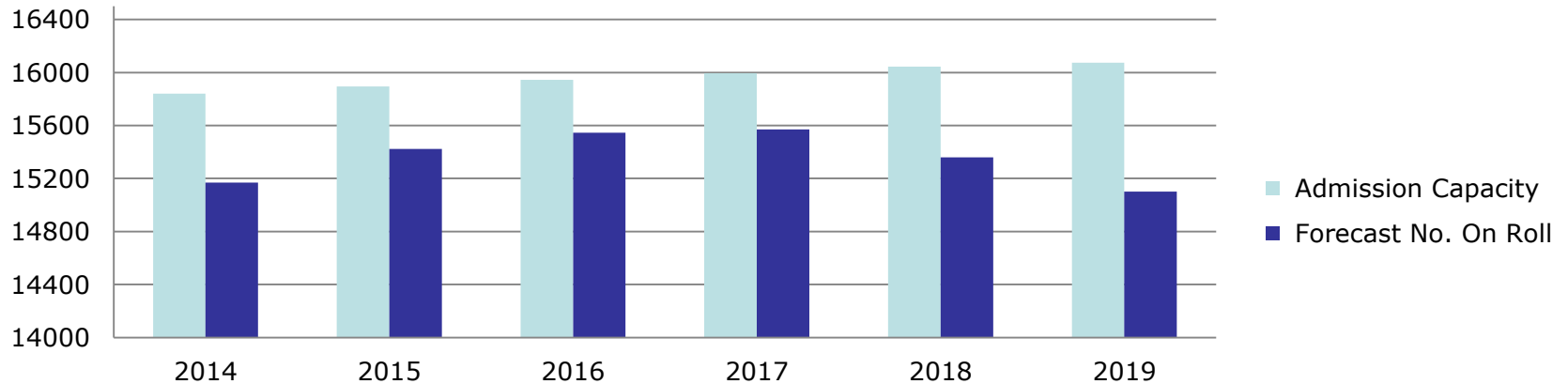
- All appellants offered a school place
- Topping up/withdrawals
- Oversubscription v Basic Need

# Primary Forecasts

## Actual and Forecast Intakes for All Primaries



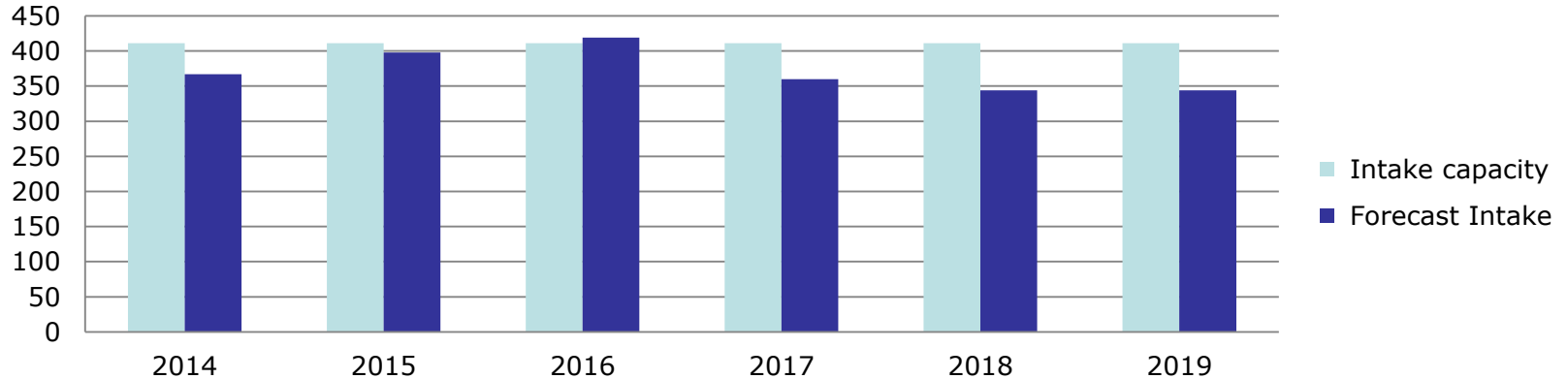
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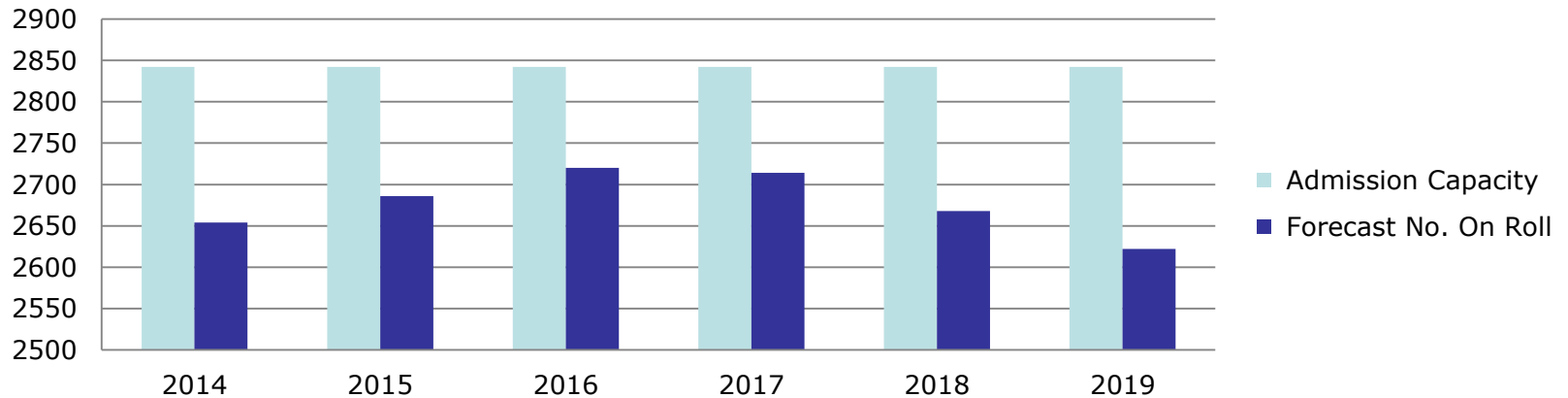
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# Rams, Tott & North Manor

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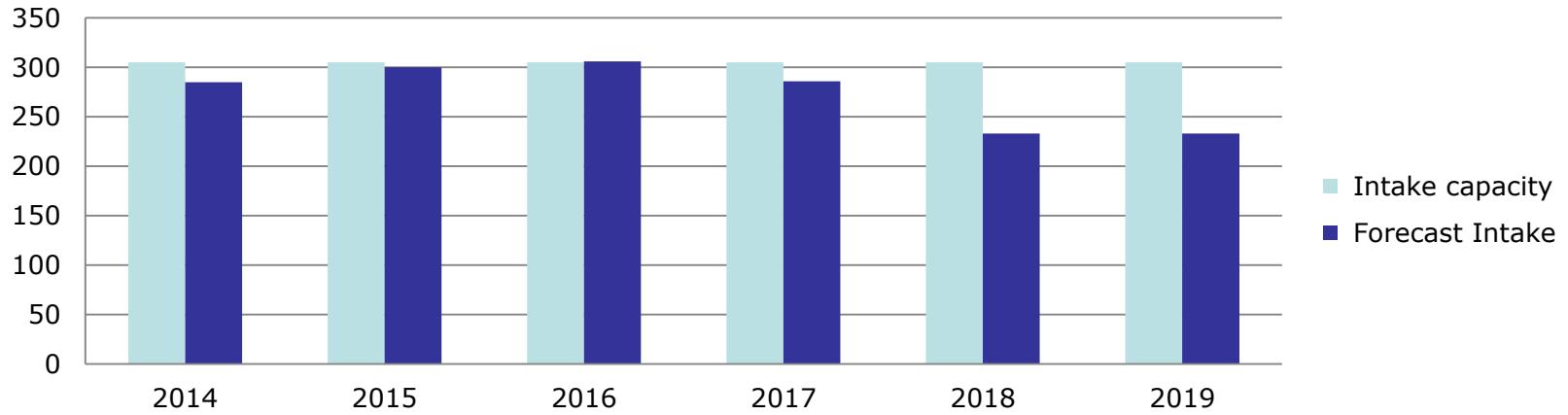


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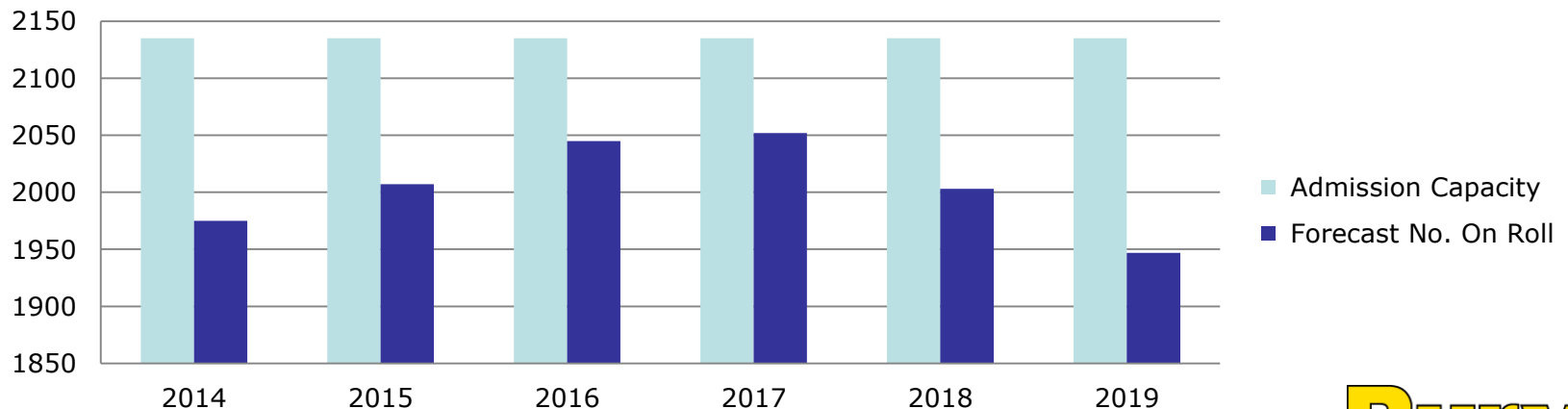


# Bury West

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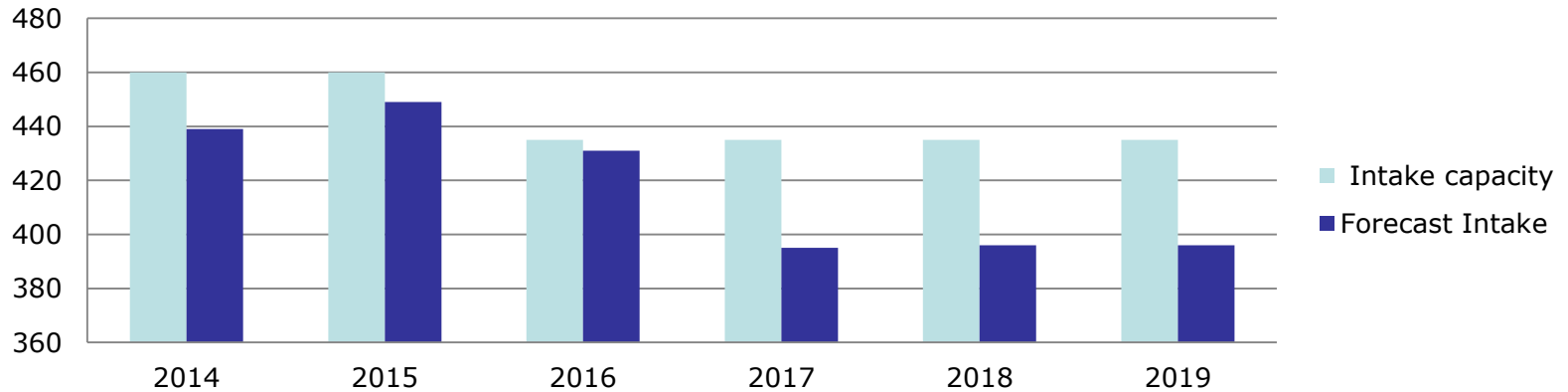
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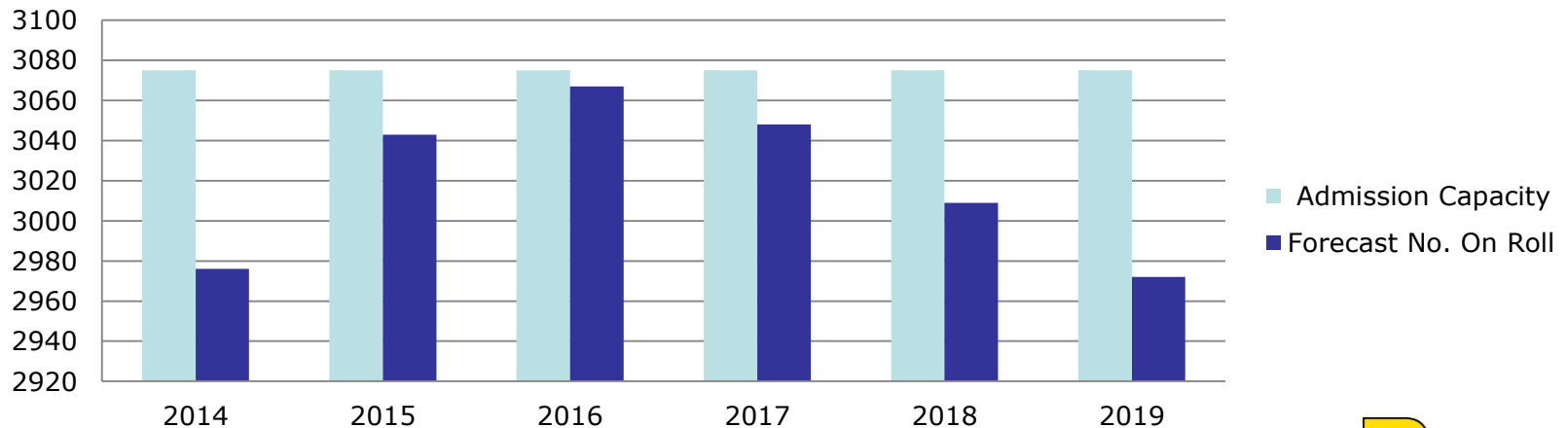
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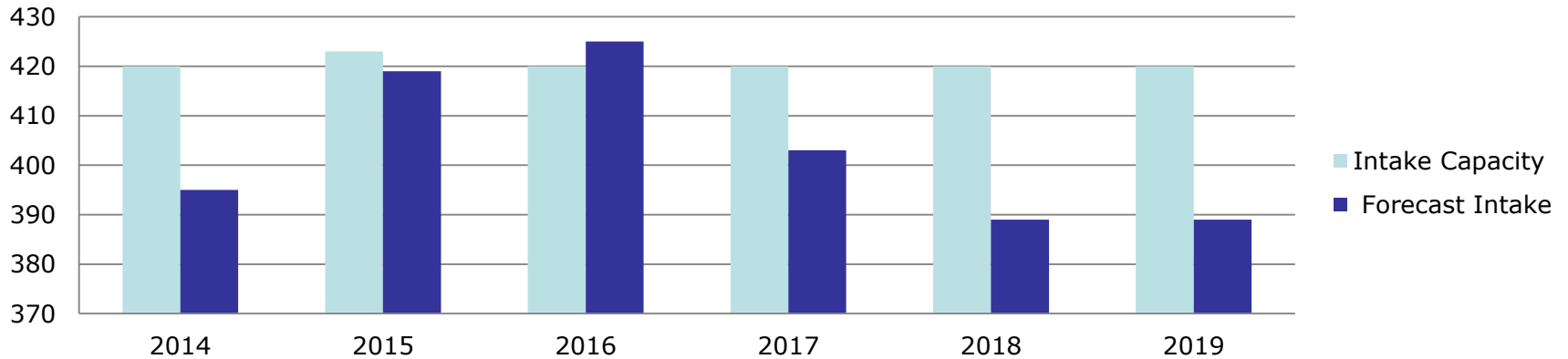


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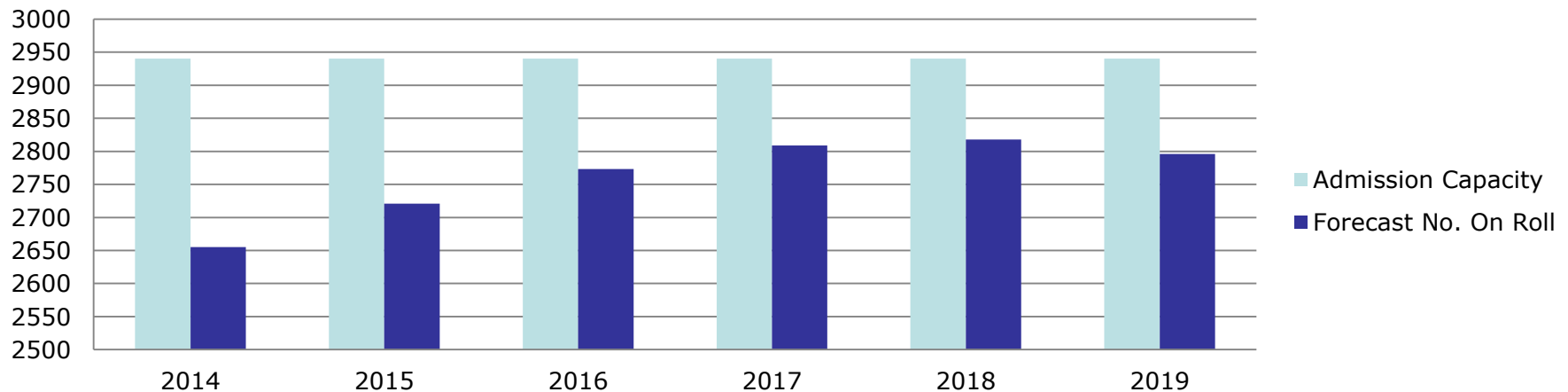


# Radcliffe

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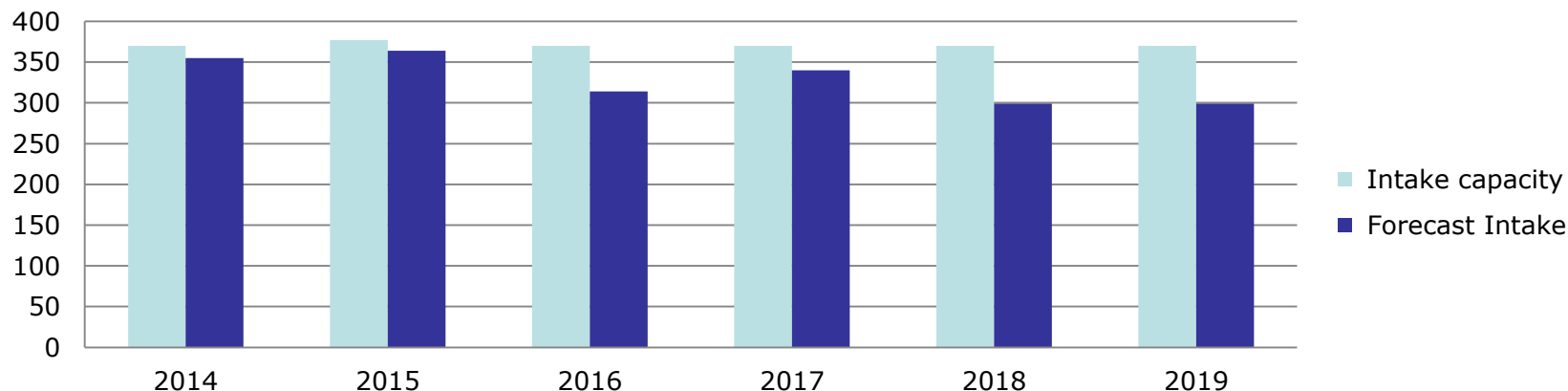


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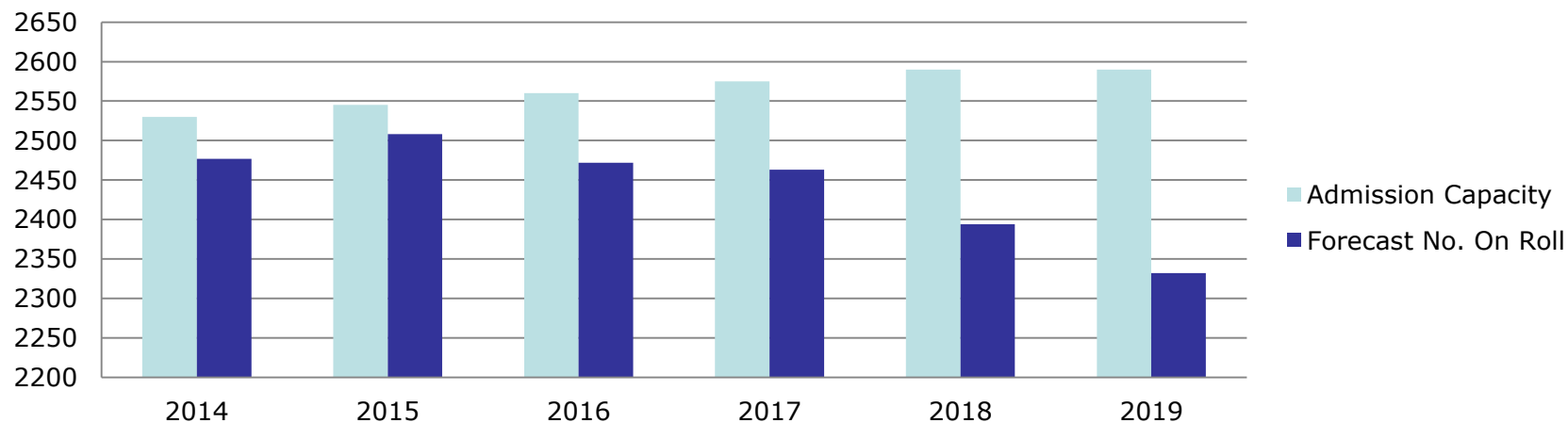


# Whitefield & Unsworth

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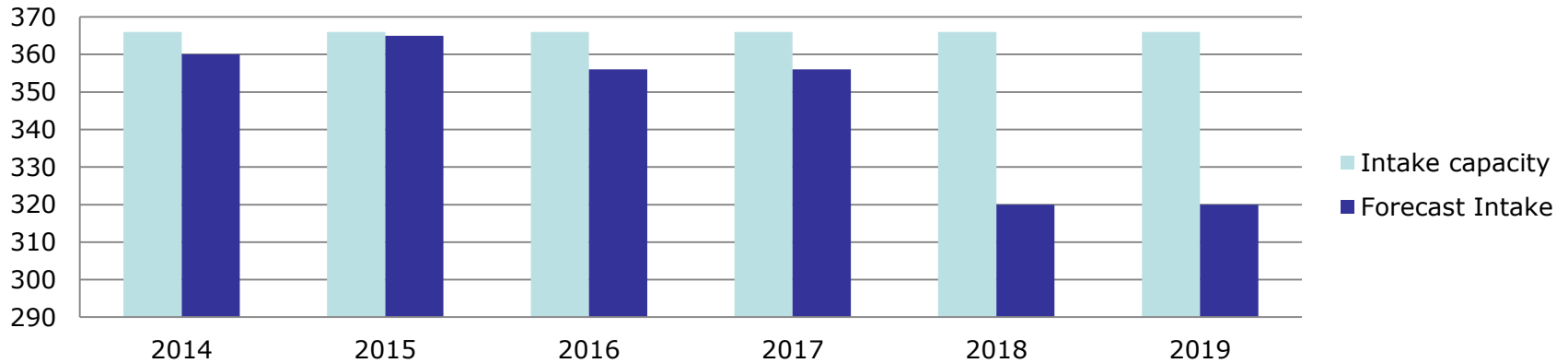
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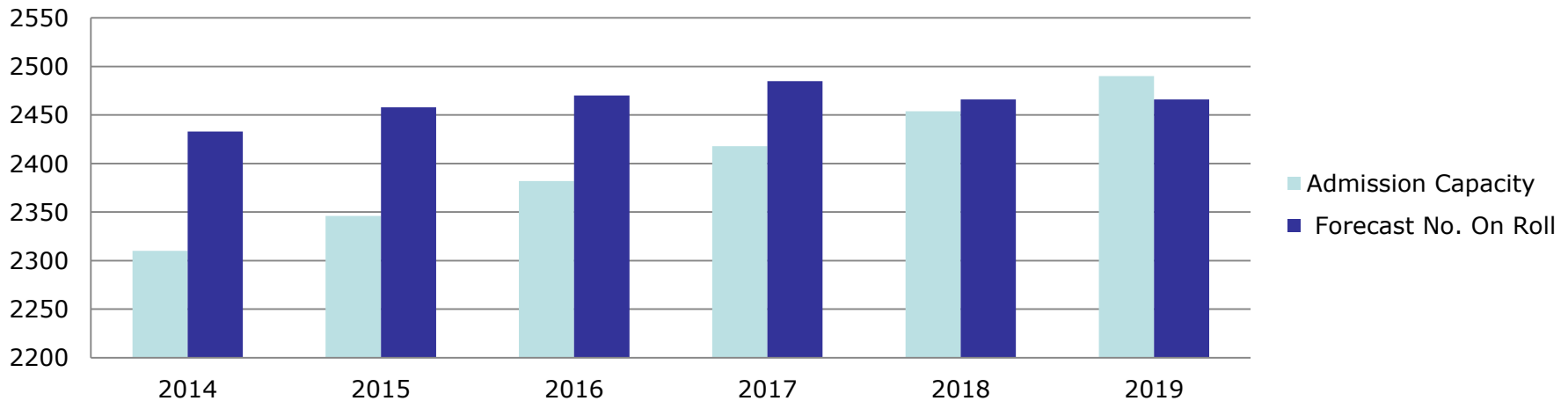
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# Prestwich

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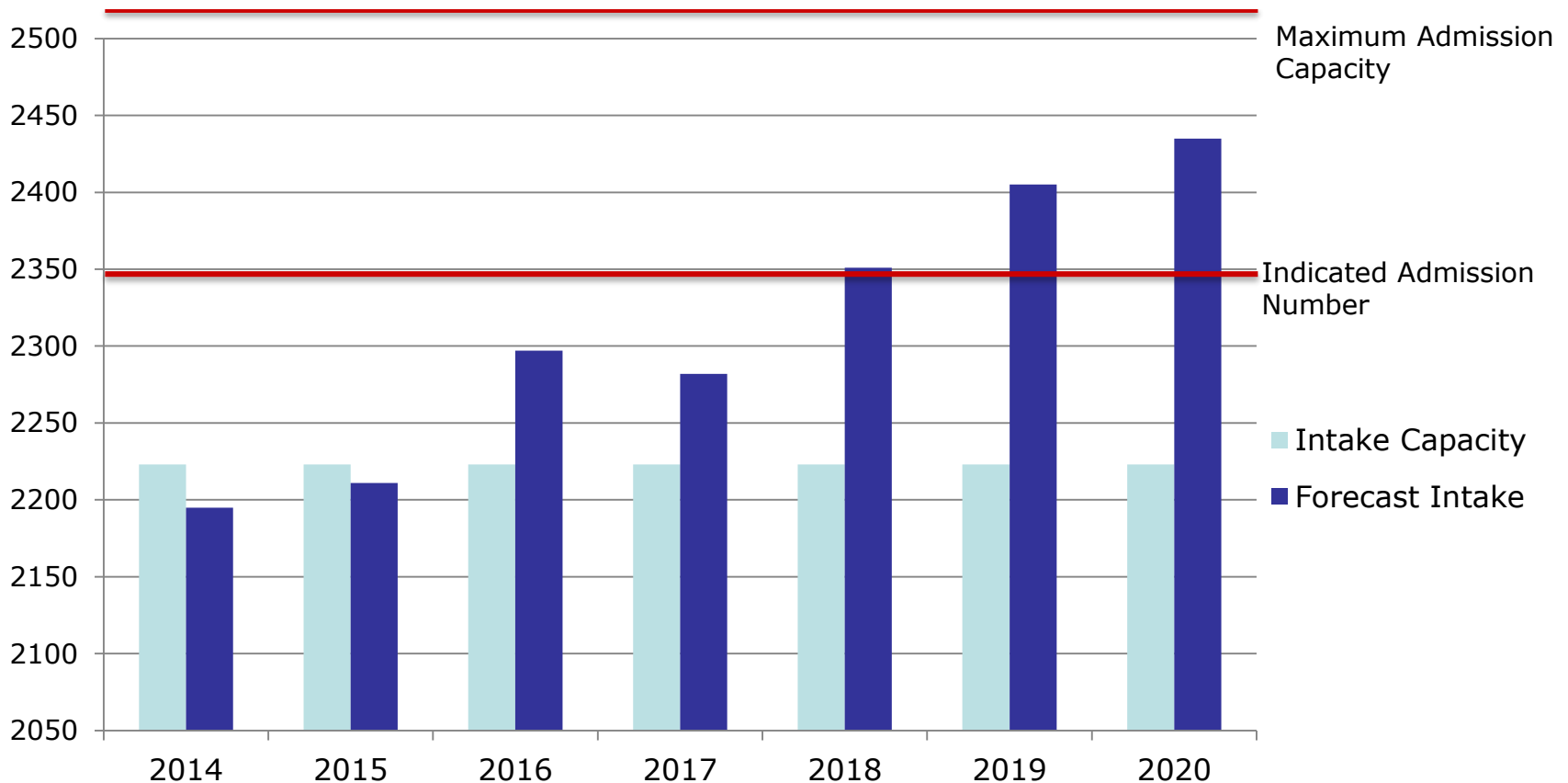


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# Secondary Forecasts

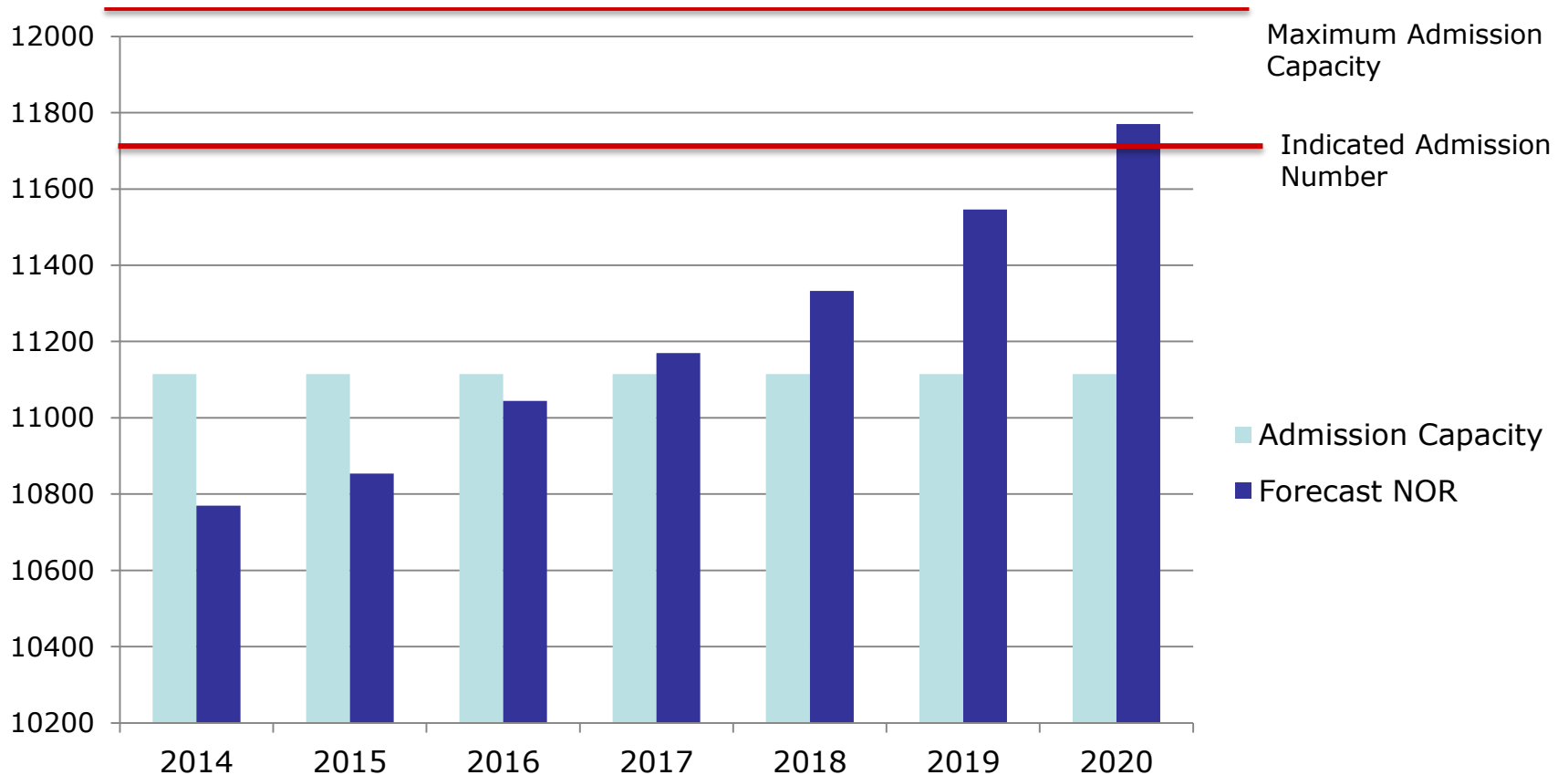
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# Review 2013 - 2015

## Basic Need Grant – Investment in New Places

School	Additional Intake Places	£m
St Bernadette's	15	0.7
St Hilda's	5	0.3
St Luke's	15 places bulge class for 2 years	0.3
St Thomas'	15 places bulge class for 3 years	0.5
Elms Bank		2.7

# Future Basic Need Projects

## Committed

- Heaton Park Primary /Children Centre
- Butterstile Primary
- Elms Bank Phase 2

## Future Priorities

- Continue to address demographic demand pressures

# Future Challenges

- Managing Parental Expectations
- Capacity growth – free schools, academies, expansion of successful schools
- Increased flexibility in Admissions Arrangements
- Changes to School Organisation Regulations