

Annex B: Impact Assessment

1. Section 9 of the Academies Act 2010 (later as amended by the Education Act 2011) places a duty upon the Secretary of State to take into account what the impact of establishing the institution would likely be on maintained schools, Academies, institutions within the further education sector and alternative provision in the area in which the institution is (or is proposed to be) situated. Any adverse impact will need to be balanced against the benefits of establishing the new school.
2. We have carried out an Impact Assessment (see Annex B1) which concludes that the impact on most local schools and sixth form institutions should be minimal to moderate. One school (Deptford Green School), is at a high general risk of losing pupils and is currently undersubscribed. One sixth form institution Crossways Sixth Form has attainment below the national average and a satisfactory Ofsted rating. If performance does not improve the college is at high general risk of losing pupils to Compass once their Sixth Form opens.
3. Southwark Local Authority (LA) is supportive of the free school and is working with the head teacher to help the school co-ordinate their admissions for 2013/14. The LA have confirmed that across all the planned admissions for 2013/14 there is likely to be a small surplus of Year 7 places but from 2014/15 the need for secondary places will increase significantly. The most recent data available shows that Southwark local authority is forecasting an increase in secondary pupil numbers of 3268 (24%) between 2012/13 and 2018/19.
4. Overall, officials judge that the size and location of Compass school, coupled with the known increase in basic need for secondary places means that any impact of the Free School is manageable. Compass will also offer parents increased choice and help to drive up standards in the area.
5. In the light of the evidence there is no reason why the Secretary of State should not enter into a Funding Agreement as a result of negative impact.

Annex B 1– Impact Assessment for Compass Free School

Schools within the local area (to a distance of 2 miles)

School name (Listed by distance from the proposed Free School)	School type	Capacity	% 5A*-C achieving expected level in English and maths 2012 (revised)	Ofsted grade	Impact rating
St Michael's Catholic College	Academy Converter	600	71%	Outstanding	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Harris Academy Bermondsey	Academy Sponsor Led	1100	62%	Outstanding	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school, taking into account the growing need for school places in the area.
City of London Academy (Southwark)	Academy Sponsor Led	1200	61%	Good	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school, taking into account the growing need for school places in the area
Wapping High School	Free School	420	No KS4 data (opened 2012)	Not yet inspected (opened 2012)	UNABLE TO ASSESS
Walworth Academy	Academy Sponsor Led	1078	60%	Good	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school, taking into account the growing need for school places in the area.
Bacon's College	Academy Sponsor Led	1085	69%	Satisfactory	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
St Saviour's and	Voluntary Aided School	658	67%	Outstanding	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term

St Olave's Church of England School					viability of this school.
Mulberry School for Girls	Community School	1400	74%	Outstanding	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
ARK Globe Academy	Academy Sponsor Led	1320	45%	Good	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school, taking into account the growing need for school places in the area.
Bishop Challoner Catholic Collegiate Girls School	Voluntary Aided School	1100	67%	Good	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school, taking into account the growing need for school places in the area.
Bishop Challoner Catholic Collegiate Boys School	Voluntary Aided School	600	56%	Good	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Sir John Cass Foundation and Redcoat Church of England Secondary School	Voluntary Aided School	1233	82%	Outstanding	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Swanlea School	Community School	1050	57%	Outstanding	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Harris Academy at Peckham	Academy Sponsor Led	1020	56%	Good	Moderate - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school, taking into account the growing need for school places in the area.
Deptford Green School	Community School	1131	47%	Satisfactory	High - Deptford Green School has attainment below the national and LA average, and a satisfactory Ofsted rating, so parents/pupils may be attracted to an alternative. The school was undersubscribed for entry in 2011/2012 and has an existing surplus of places of 19%. The loss of even a few pupils could exacerbate the existing surplus issue in this school and there could be a significant impact on the school's overall attainment, viability and ability to improve.

					However, any negative impact could be mitigated by an increased demand for secondary school places in the local area as the secondary school aged population is projected to rise in Southwark over the next few years.
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Summary:
 Within the local area of the proposed free school, it is expected that seven schools will feel a minimal impact, six schools will feel a moderate impact and one school (Deptford Green School) will feel a high impact on the opening of the proposed Compass Free School. We are unable to assess the impact on one school, Wapping High School due to insufficient data. Wapping high school is a free school which opened in September 2012. It is located half a mile from the proposed free school.

- A **minimal** rating implies that the school will either not lose pupils to the Free School or may lose some but will still be able to fill most or all of its places. It will not significantly impact on the schools overall attainment, viability and ability to improve.
- A **moderate** rating implies that the school may lose some pupils but should still be able to fill most of its places. However there might be some impact on the school's overall attainment, viability and ability to improve.
- A **high** rating implies that the school may lose some pupils and may exacerbate surplus capacity already in the school. There may be a significant impact on the school's overall attainment, viability and ability to improve.

Colleges within the local area (to a distance of 4.5 miles)

College name (Listed by distance from the proposed Free School)	Number of learners aged 16-18	Proportion of learners aged 16-18	Average Point Score per student 2012	Ofsted	Impact rating
Tower Hamlets College	1529	35.8%	580.6	Satisfactory	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Crossways Sixth Form	497	96.1%	546.2	Satisfactory	High - Crossways has attainment below the national average and a satisfactory Ofsted rating, so parents/pupils may be attracted to an alternative. The majority of the pupils attending are between 16-18 so

					the free school will be competing for the same aged pupils, and the college is relatively small, so the loss of pupils to the free school could have an impact on the colleges overall attainment, viability and ability to improve.
Hackney Community College	1118	35.7%	456.3	Good	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Lewisham College	1975	33.0%	502.6	Satisfactory	UNABLE TO ASSESS
Westminster Kingsway College	2077	30.0%	450.8	Good	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Fashion Retail Academy	326	75.0%	428.0	Good	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Christ The King Sixth Form College	2140	99.9%	663.4	Good	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
London Academy of Excellence	200	99.9%	No data (opened 2012)	Not yet inspected (opened 2012)	Minimal - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Lambeth College	1559	21.8%	503.8	Inadequate	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
The Brooke House Sixth Form College	1353	99.9%	600.2	Satisfactory	Moderate - The free school is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.

Summary:

Within the local area of the proposed free school, it is expected that four colleges will feel a minimal impact, five colleges will feel a moderate impact and one college will feel a high impact on the opening of the proposed Free School. The College with a high impact rating is Crossways Sixth Form.

- A **minimal** rating implies that the college will not lose potential learners to the Studio School or may lose some but will still be able to fill most or all of its places. It will not significantly impact on the long term financial viability of the college or on a specific specialism of the college.
- A **moderate** rating implies that the college may lose some potential learners to the Studio School but should still be able to fill most of its places. It will not significantly impact on the long term financial viability of the college but there may be a moderate impact on a specific specialism of the college.
- A **high** rating implies that the college may lose enough potential learners to the Studio School that it risks not being able to fill some of its places or increasing an existing surplus. It may impact on the long term financial viability of the college or could threaten the continuation of a specific specialism of the college.