

Annex B: Impact Assessment

1. Section 9 of the Academies Act 2010 (later as amended by the Education Act 2011) places on duty on 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 local schools should be minimal to moderate.
3. Richmond upon Thames council is very supportive of the Free School and is particularly pleased the school is being established in an area of the borough where demand for primary places in local schools has increased significantly in recent years.
4. We expect there to be a minimal impact on seven schools, and a moderate impact on two schools in the area but no threat to the future viability of any school. This school will increase the number and type of primary places available and help to drive up standards in surrounding schools.
5. To coincide with the start of the Trust's statutory section 10 consultation, we wrote to Richmond upon Thames authority and neighbouring local authorities to seek views on the establishment of Thomson House School. Responding authorities have confirmed they do not expect this school to have a significant direct impact.
6. 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 B1 – Detailed Impact Assessment

School name (within one mile radius)	School type	Capacity	Attainment in 2010/11 (and includes 2012)	Ofsted grade	Impact rating
Darell Primary School	Community School	Capacity – 315 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 10 Surplus places % of total capacity - 22.2%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - data due to exam boycotts 2011- 86% 2012 - 84%	Good	Moderate – The school was rated as Good by Ofsted in 2013, who commented that it has improved rapidly in recent times and that pupils achieve well. However, parents may be attracted to an alternative provider given the previous Satisfactory rating. The assessment of impact is considered moderate as the Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the school given the shortage of primary places in the LA.
Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School	Voluntary Aided School	Capacity – 482 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 3 Surplus places % of total capacity - 50%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - data due to exam boycotts 2011- 100% 2012 - 87%	Good	Moderate – This school is a faith school. The assessment of impact is considered moderate as the Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of the school given that it will not be a faith school and

					there is a shortage of primary places in the LA.
St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School	Voluntary Aided School	Capacity – 210 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 2 Surplus places % of total capacity – 5.7%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - 88% 2011- 97% 2012 - 100%	Good	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
East Sheen Primary School	Community School	Capacity – 420 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 1 Surplus places % of total capacity – 2.4%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - 96% 2011- 98% 2012 - 96%	Outstanding	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Kew Riverside Primary School	Community School	Capacity – 210 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 0 Surplus places % of total capacity – 8.1%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - 86% 2011- 78% 2012 - 86%	Good	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Barnes Primary School	Community School	Capacity – 420 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 0 Surplus places % of total capacity – 4.8%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - 92% 2011- 98% 2012 - 96%	Outstanding	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
Sheen Mount Primary School	Community School	Capacity – 420 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 0 Surplus places % of total capacity – 2.6%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2:	Outstanding	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.

			2010 - 94% 2011- 95% 2012 - 94%		
Cavendish Primary School	Community School	Capacity – 210 Surplus reception places in 2012 – (-1) Surplus places % of total capacity – 9.5%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - No KS2 data due to exam boycotts 2011- 59% 2012 - 95%	Good	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.
St Osmund's Catholic Primary School	Voluntary Aided School	Capacity – 186 Surplus reception places in 2012 - 0 Surplus places % of total capacity – 15.1%	% achieving the expected level in English and Maths at KS2: 2010 - 85% 2011- 95% 2012 - 100%	Good	Minimal - The Free School is unlikely to affect the long term viability of this school.