

Bradford South East Secondary School Planning Area

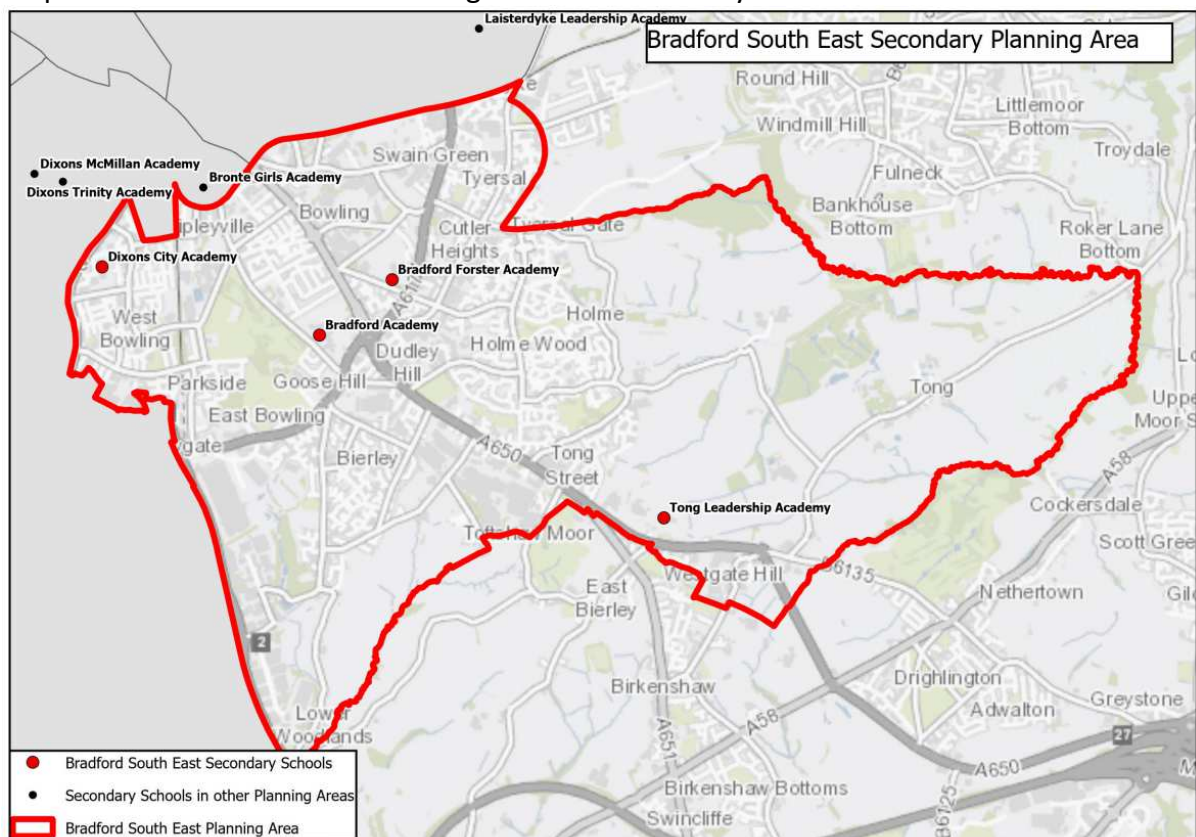
Secondary education in the Bradford South East Planning Area

There are four secondary schools in the Bradford South East planning area, one of which operates post 16 provision. It covers the urban areas of Bowling and West Bowling on the south eastern edge of Bradford City Centre and extends through East Bowling, Bierley, Tyersal, Holme Wood and Tong to the District's southern border with Kirklees and south eastern border with Leeds. Around half the planning area is urban or suburban but there is a large rural area around Tong.

Schools in Bradford South East Planning Area

School	School Type	Multi Academy Trust (MAT)	Published Admission Number (PAN) 2023	Sixth Form Provision
Bradford Academy	Academy	Bradford Academy Trust (single-academy trust)	230	Yes
Bradford Forster Academy	Academy	Bradford Diocesan Academies Trust	210	No
Dixons City Academy	Academy	Dixons Academies Trust	180	No
Tong Leadership Academy	Academy	Star Academies	180	No

Map of Bradford South East Planning Area and Secondary Schools:



Historic actions and academy conversions

- Bradford Academy increased their secondary PAN to 230 permanently from 2018.
- Dixons City Academy removed the sixth form provision and increased their PAN from 165 to 180 from September 2020.
- Tong High School converted to academy status in December 2016 under Tauheedul Education Trust (now named Star Academies) with a name change to Tong Leadership Academy.
- Tong Leadership Academy reduced their PAN from 270 to 180 from September 2020 but also agreed to admit up to an additional 30 pupils from 2020-22 to meet demand in the area.
- Whilst it is still designated as an 11-19 setting, Tong Leadership Academy does not currently operate any sixth form provision.

Forecast methodology for Bradford South East

Given that secondary schools are much larger and more spread out, children of secondary school age often travel further than they did to attend primary school. Forecast methodology is therefore slightly different between the two phases. However, the need for secondary school places still depends on the local child population.

Year 7 forecasts are based on the historic patterns of transfers from Year 6 to Year 7, i.e. the number of children moving up from individual primary schools to specific secondary schools. Other factors include migration in and around the District, and movement of families into new housing developments. These trends are then projected onto the current primary school populations and, where relevant, adjusted to include trends for children attending schools in other Local Authorities or other Local Authority children attending Bradford schools.

Children transfer here mainly from primary schools in South East 1 and South West 5 primary planning areas.

Historically, around 20 to 30 children have attended schools here from outside of the District each year, with approximately three times that number of resident children attending schools in other local authorities. These numbers halved for September 2023 allocations.

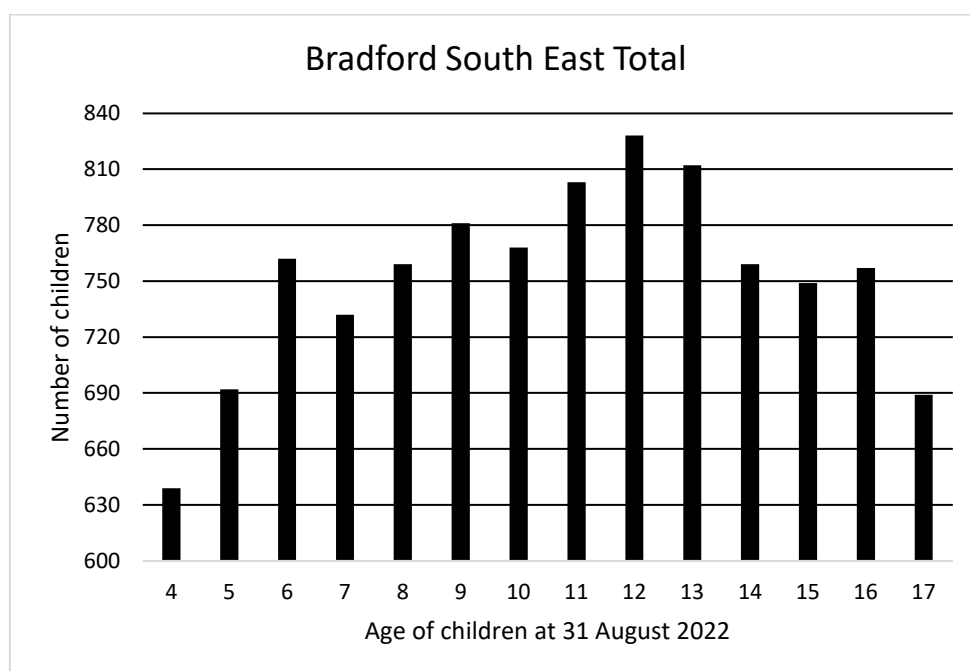
Health Authority Data for Bradford South East

Whilst the number of children living in a secondary planning area is not the primary factor for Year 7 forecasting, data is included here for context. The size of cohorts entering secondary schools has been increasing for a number of years due to larger populations of specific age groups. Across the District the forecast shows that numbers entering the secondary phase will begin to decrease gradually from 2022. Figures for this planning area are roughly in line with the District trend.

The following tables and chart show the number of children, broken down by their age at 31st August 2022, and are based on January 2023 data received from the Health Authority:

Age at 31 August 2022	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Bradford South East Total	639	692	762	732	759	781	768
Year 7 Intake Year	2029	2028	2027	2026	2025	2024	2023

Age at 31 August 2022	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Bradford South East Total	803	828	812	759	749	757	689
2022/23 School Year	7	8	9	10	11	12	13



Forecast & Accuracy

The tables below contain forecast data submitted to the DfE as part of the annual School Capacity (SCAP) return. The grey column shows the difference between last year's forecast and the actual number of pupils on roll at the schools at the January school census.

Year 7

Year	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
PAN	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800
Forecast	836	772	790	800	799	800	748	732
Surplus	-36	28	10	0	1	0	52	68
% Surplus	-4.5%	3.5%	1.3%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	6.5%	8.5%
Actual	791	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Difference	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% Difference	5.7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Whole school (Years 7 to 13)

Year	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Total Capacity	4957	4957	4957	4957	4957	4957	4957	4957
Forecast	4050	3982	4019	4052	4057	4066	4039	3978
Surplus	907	975	938	905	900	891	918	979
% Surplus	18.3%	19.7%	18.9%	18.3%	18.2%	18.0%	18.5%	19.7%
Actual	4009	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Difference	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% Difference	1.0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Planned/possible actions

The Local Authority will continue to monitor the number of children and parental preference in this planning area, especially in relation to emerging trends around cross-border movement.

Across the District, the number of children due to transfer to secondary in future years is falling. However, this trend does not follow a uniform pattern across all planning areas. The Local Authority will therefore continue to liaise with relevant schools and investigate options for potential bulge classes where appropriate.