**School Provision in Colliers Wood**

* Singlegate Primary School has expanded over a relatively short period from one form entry to three form entry. From September 2014, 90 children have been admitted each year.
* Offers of places (on the official day of offers) extended 626 metres from the school in 2014. In 2015 this decreased to 583 metres, and in 2016 increased to 597 metres. **Over these three years the distance offered has decreased by 29 metres.**
* Families living towards the end of Lyveden Road are **800 metres** from the school.
* The borough boundary with the London Borough of Wandsworth is the railway line behind Robinson and Lyveden Road.
* Most schools in Wandsworth in the area bordering London Borough of Merton at this point have **admissions priority areas.** Sellincourt Primary School on the other side of the railway, in Wandsworth has it’s admissions priority area boundary on that side of the railway.
* Families living between 597 and 800 metres from Singlegate will only obtain places at the school if they fall into a priority for admission according to the council’s admission policy for community schools. Those who fall into the main category for admission - straight line distance from the home to the school will not gain a place in Colliers Wood, and will be limited by the admissions priority areas of the nearest Wandsworth School.
* Many families do not live close enough to other Merton schools to gain admission on the day of official offers.
* This is the situation **now**.
* **From December 2016 a significant growth in the Colliers Wood population will begin.** 160 flats will become available in the completed Tower building very close to Singlegate. There will be over 50 further flats above the new library building when it is completed. The new block of flats being built next to the Tandem Centre is a little further in terms of metres, but is still relatively close to Singlegate.
* The very significant growth of population will primarily be close to Singlegate.
* Therefore, the **distance offered from home to school will be very significantly reduced.**
* Many more families living in Colliers Wood will have a **much greater struggle** obtaining a school place in or close to their community.
* **A request for Singlegate to be awarded an admissions priority area would ameliorate this situation for those families living in Colliers Wood where access to other nearby schools is already restricted.**

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