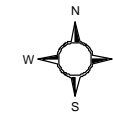
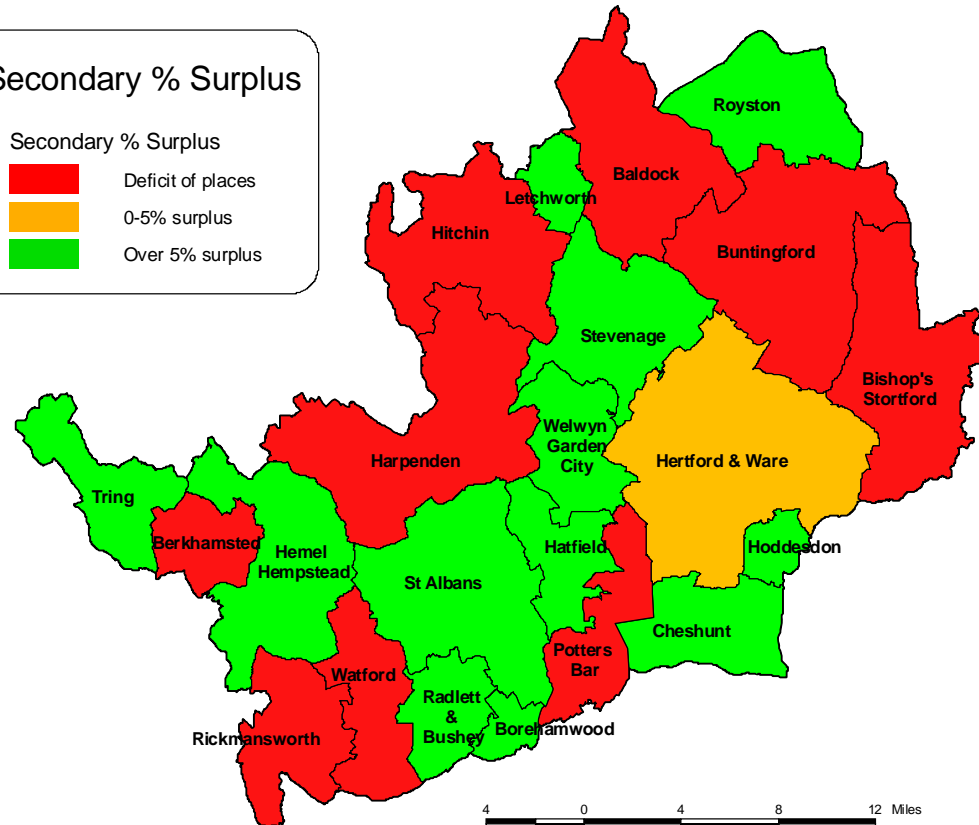
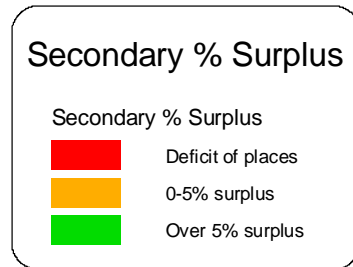


Meeting the Rising Demand for School Places: September 2012 update

Secondary Planning Areas

Secondary Planning Areas Surplus / Deficit for 2014/15



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Baldock

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210
Demand	211	214	231	226	231	225	249	239	249	238	220
Supply/Shortage	-1	-4	-21	-16	-21	-15	-39	-29	-39	-28	-10
% Surplus/Shortage	-0.5%	-1.9%	-10.0%	-7.6%	-10.0%	-7.1%	-18.6%	-13.8%	-18.6%	-13.3%	-4.8%
No of FE	0.0	-0.1	-0.7	-0.5	-0.7	-0.5	-1.3	-1.0	-1.3	-0.9	-0.3

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough Council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2013/14, rising to approximately 1.5 fe by 2019/20.

Knights Templar is the only secondary school within the planning area.

Action taken

To date, local agreement has been reached on an annual basis with the school to admit additional pupils from the locality when required.

Next steps

Local agreements to continue in the short term.

Further feasibility work is required to consider the potential expansion of Knights Templar by 1 to 2 fe on its existing site.

Berkhamsted: Upper

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 9 places available	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210
Demand	187	213	207	205	224	219	224	245	266	265	254
Supply/Shortage	23	-3	3	5	-14	-9	-14	-35	-56	-55	-44
% Surplus/Shortage	11.0%	-1.4%	1.4%	2.4%	-6.7%	-4.3%	-6.7%	-16.7%	-26.7%	-26.2%	-21.0%
No of FE	0.8	-0.1	0.1	0.2	-0.5	-0.3	-0.5	-1.2	-1.9	-1.8	-1.5

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A marginal deficit of places is forecast in 2014/15. From 2017/18 there is a deficit of places of around 0.5 f.e., rising to around 2 f.e by 2020/21

Currently Ashlyns is the only upper school in Berkhamsted

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Following a public consultation on education provision in Berkhamsted, statutory proposals have been agreed to change the age range of schools in the town to move from a three to a two-tier system of education. This means that Ashlyns will become a secondary school from September 2013, with planned capacity of up to 8 f.e (240 places). Moving forward, initial feasibility work indicates that the Ashlyns site could accommodate a secondary school up of to 10 f.e. This is in line with existing forecasts for the middle and upper phases in the town.

Berkhamsted: Middle

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 5 places available	220	220	220	220	220	220	220	220	220	220	220
Demand	225	218	225	251	280	279	264	268	256	262	260
Supply/Shortage	-5	2	-5	-31	-60	-59	-44	-48	-36	-42	-40
% Surplus/Shortage	-2.3%	0.9%	-2.3%	-14.1%	-27.3%	-26.8%	-20.0%	-21.8%	-16.4%	-19.1%	-18.2%
No of FE	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	-1.0	-2.0	-2.0	-1.5	-1.6	-1.2	-1.4	-1.3

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2013/14, peaking at around 2 f.e. in 2017/18.

Action taken

To date, local agreements with the two middle schools in the town have been negotiated on an annual basis, when required.

2011/12: permanent expansion of both middle schools by 5 places each.

Next steps

Following a public consultation on education provision in Berkhamsted, statutory proposals have been agreed to change the age range of schools in the town to move from a three to a two-tier system of education. This means that Bridgewater Middle will become a primary school and Thomas Coram will become a junior school from September 2013. As such, neither of these schools will admit secondary age pupils from that date and Ashlyns will be the only secondary school in the town (see section above for details)

Bishops Stortford & Sawbridgeworth

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	1010	1010	1010	1010	1010	1010	1010	1010	1010	1010	1010
Demand	1023	1037	1053	1085	1084	1137	1132	1124	1137	1115	1101
Supply/Shortage	-13	-27	-43	-75	-74	-127	-122	-114	-127	-105	-91
% Surplus/Shortage	-1.3%	-2.7%	-4.3%	-7.4%	-7.3%	-12.6%	-12.1%	-11.3%	-12.6%	-10.4%	-9.0%
No of FE	-0.4	-0.9	-1.4	-2.5	-2.5	-4.2	-4.1	-3.8	-4.2	-3.5	-3.0

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 0.4fe in 2013/14 peaking at around 4fe in the latter half of the forecast.

Action taken

2004: permanent expansion of St Mary's (RC) School by 23 places

2008: permanent expansion of Birchwood High by 30 places

2010: The Bishops Stortford High School and Herts and Essex High School sought town planning permission to relocate to a new site and expand by a total of 45 places. The application was subsequently rejected and an appeal lodged.

2011: permanent expansion of Leventhorpe by 12 places.

2012: The Bishops Stortford High School and Herts & Essex High Schools' town planning appeal was rejected.

Next steps

Further feasibility work is now required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places.

Places are currently available at Mountfitchet High School in a neighbouring area.

Borehamwood

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430
Demand	347	378	401	390	412	432	432	438	433	441	431
Supply/Shortage	83	52	29	40	18	-2	-2	-8	-3	-11	-1
% Surplus/Shortage	19.3%	12.1%	6.7%	9.3%	4.2%	-0.5%	-0.5%	-1.9%	-0.7%	-2.6%	-0.2%
No of FE	2.8	1.7	1.0	1.3	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	-0.4	0.0

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2018/19, peaking at a maximum of 0.5 f.e.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Feasibility work is required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places, although it is likely this would be at Hertswood School.

Buntingford: Middle

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 5 places available	202	202	202	202	202	202	202	202	202	202	202
Demand	211	227	231	222	245	228	231	227	230	230	231
Supply/Shortage	-9	-25	-29	-20	-43	-26	-29	-25	-28	-28	-29
% Surplus/Shortage	-4.5%	-12.4%	-14.4%	-9.9%	-21.3%	-12.9%	-14.4%	-12.4%	-13.9%	-13.9%	-14.4%
No of FE	-0.3	-0.8	-1.0	-0.7	-1.4	-0.9	-1.0	-0.8	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast with a peak of just under 1.5fe in 2017/18.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Further work is being undertaken to assess whether additional places will be required to meet local demand, given the wider geographic area from which schools in this planning area currently attract pupils.

Further discussions will be held with the two middle schools to ensure that there are an appropriate number of places to meet future demand.

Buntingford: Upper

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 9 places available	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210
Demand	230	223	230	253	241	259	262	261	280	266	270
Supply/Shortage	-20	-13	-20	-43	-31	-49	-52	-51	-70	-56	-60
% Surplus/Shortage	-9.5%	-6.2%	-9.5%	-20.5%	-14.8%	-23.3%	-24.8%	-24.3%	-33.3%	-26.7%	-28.6%
No of FE	-0.7	-0.4	-0.7	-1.4	-1.0	-1.6	-1.7	-1.7	-2.3	-1.9	-2.0

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places forecast in all future years.

Action taken

2011: Freeman College changed its admission arrangements, giving priority to its feeder middle schools.

Next steps

The impact of the new admission arrangements, along with the impact of the recent school transport policy changes, is not yet known. Further work is required to ascertain whether additional places will be required to meet local demand, given the wide geographic area from which this planning area currently attracts pupils.

Bushey

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	642	642	642	642	642	642	642	642	642	642	642
Demand	553	609	619	627	658	683	688	699	700	728	713
Supply/Shortage	89	33	23	15	-16	-41	-46	-57	-58	-86	-71
% Surplus/Shortage	13.9%	5.1%	3.6%	2.3%	-2.5%	-6.4%	-7.2%	-8.9%	-9.0%	-13.4%	-11.1%
No of FE	3.0	1.1	0.8	0.5	-0.5	-1.4	-1.5	-1.9	-1.9	-2.9	-2.4

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2017/18, which steadily increases to a peak of around 3 f.e. in 2022/23. It is also important to note that the Bushey planning area is adjacent to Watford, where a significant deficit of places forecast.

Action taken

2010/11: Bushey Hall School closed and Bushey Academy opened. Its PAN increased from 180 to 210.

Next steps

A significant amount of feasibility work has been undertaken to ascertain the most appropriate long term solution to create the required additional capacity across Bushey, Watford and Rickmansworth. As part of this work existing schools in Bushey are being reviewed to identify any expansion potential to meet increasing pupil numbers.

Cheshunt

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	748	748	748	748	748	748	748	748	748	748	748
Demand	592	605	620	618	664	662	678	653	692	672	668
Supply/Shortage	156	143	128	130	84	86	70	95	56	76	80
% Surplus/Shortage	20.9%	19.1%	17.1%	17.4%	11.2%	11.5%	9.4%	12.7%	7.5%	10.2%	10.7%
No of FE	5.2	4.8	4.3	4.3	2.8	2.9	2.3	3.2	1.9	2.5	2.7

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

There are sufficient places to meet forecast demand.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

None required.

Hatfield

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	272	272	272	272	272	272	272	272	272	272	272
Demand	183	192	195	207	223	225	255	245	252	247	247
Supply/Shortage	89	80	77	65	49	47	17	27	20	25	25
% Surplus/Shortage	32.7%	29.4%	28.3%	23.9%	18.0%	17.3%	6.3%	9.9%	7.4%	9.2%	9.2%
No of FE	3.0	2.7	2.6	2.2	1.6	1.6	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

There are sufficient places available to meet forecast demand.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Forecasts will continue to be monitored to ensure there are sufficient places available to meet local demand.

Harpenden

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	572	572	572	572	572	572	572	572	572	572	572
Demand	601	620	656	645	667	708	749	703	697	668	636
Supply/Shortage	-29	-48	-84	-73	-95	-136	-177	-131	-125	-96	-64
% Surplus/Shortage	-5.1%	-8.4%	-14.7%	-12.8%	-16.6%	-23.8%	-30.9%	-22.9%	-21.9%	-16.8%	-11.2%
No of FE	-1.0	-1.6	-2.8	-2.4	-3.2	-4.5	-5.9	-4.4	-4.2	-3.2	-2.1

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A growing deficit of places is forecast from 2013/14, growing from 1 f.e. to a peak of 6 f.e. in 2019/20.

Action taken

2006: permanent expansion of St George's by 1 fe

2011/12:

- temporary expansion of Roundwood Park by 14 places to 196
- permanent expansion of Sir John Lawes by 7 places to 187

2012/13:

- permanent expansion of Sir John Lawes by an additional 5 places to 196
- continued temporary expansion of Roundwood Park to 196

2013/14

- continued temporary expansion of Roundwood Park to 196

Next steps

A significant amount of feasibility work has been undertaken to identify options for a long term solution across Harpenden and St Albans, either by the expansion of existing schools, establishing new provision, or a combination of both.

Hemel Hempstead

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	1304	1304	1304	1304	1304	1304	1304	1304	1304	1304	1304
Demand	1067	1080	1142	1175	1208	1305	1383	1402	1384	1422	1360
Supply/Shortage	237	224	162	129	96	-1	-79	-98	-80	-118	-56
% Surplus/Shortage	18.2%	17.2%	12.4%	9.9%	7.4%	-0.1%	-6.1%	-7.5%	-6.1%	-9.0%	-4.3%
No of FE	7.9	7.5	5.4	4.3	3.2	0.0	-2.6	-3.3	-2.7	-3.9	-1.9

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast for 2018/19, rising to 3 -4 f.e. from 2019/20.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Feasibility work is required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places.

Hertford & Ware

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800	800
Demand	733	765	770	783	818	828	850	830	852	893	883
Supply/Shortage	67	35	30	17	-18	-28	-50	-30	-52	-93	-83
% Surplus/Shortage	8.4%	4.4%	3.8%	2.1%	-2.3%	-3.5%	-6.3%	-3.8%	-6.5%	-11.6%	-10.4%
No of FE	2.2	1.2	1.0	0.6	-0.6	-0.9	-1.7	-1.0	-1.7	-3.1	-2.8

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2017/18, peaking at just over 3fe in 2022/23.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Feasibility work is required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places.

Hitchin

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510
Demand	489	512	566	536	549	605	591	614	611	583	585
Supply/Shortage	21	-2	-56	-26	-39	-95	-81	-104	-101	-73	-75
% Surplus/Shortage	4.1%	-0.4%	-11.0%	-5.1%	-7.6%	-18.6%	-15.9%	-20.4%	-19.8%	-14.3%	-14.7%
No of FE	0.7	-0.1	-1.9	-0.9	-1.3	-3.2	-2.7	-3.5	-3.4	-2.4	-2.5

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A small deficit of places is forecast in 2014/15, rising to a need for approximately 3-4 FE of additional places by 2018/19.

There are three secondary schools in the planning area, Hitchin Girls, Hitchin Boys and The Priory.

Action taken

2012: Hitchin Boys' and Girls' School PANs both increased from 160 to 165.

2012: An agreement has been reached with the Priory School to offer a temporary 1fe of places for up to two years, when required, to meet forecast need

Next steps

Feasibility work is required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places.

Hoddesdon

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	569	569	569	569	569	569	569	569	569	569	569
Demand	525	537	559	542	575	593	608	588	596	584	581
Supply/Shortage	44	32	10	27	-6	-24	-39	-19	-27	-15	-12
% Surplus/Shortage	7.7%	5.6%	1.8%	4.7%	-1.1%	-4.2%	-6.9%	-3.3%	-4.7%	-2.6%	-2.1%
No of FE	1.5	1.1	0.3	0.9	-0.2	-0.8	-1.3	-0.6	-0.9	-0.5	-0.4

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2017/18 with a peak of 1.3fe in 2019/20.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Feasibility work is required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places.

Letchworth

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360
Demand	263	277	305	310	307	325	333	348	324	344	332
Supply/Shortage	97	83	55	50	53	35	27	12	36	16	28
% Surplus/Shortage	26.9%	23.1%	15.3%	13.9%	14.7%	9.7%	7.5%	3.3%	10.0%	4.4%	7.8%
No of FE	3.2	2.8	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.2	0.9	0.4	1.2	0.5	0.9

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

Forecasts indicate that there will be a relatively low number of surplus places at the two secondary schools in the town in 2020/21 and 2022/23.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

Forecasts will continue to be monitored to ensure there are sufficient places available to meet local demand.

Potters Bar

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	554	554	554	554	554	554	554	554	554	554	554
Demand	528	558	548	560	580	567	617	571	577	573	569
Supply/Shortage	26	-4	6	-6	-26	-13	-63	-17	-23	-19	-15
% Surplus/Shortage	4.7%	-0.7%	1.1%	-1.1%	-4.7%	-2.3%	-11.4%	-3.1%	-4.2%	-3.4%	-2.7%
No of FE	0.9	-0.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.9	-0.4	-2.1	-0.6	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A small deficit of places is forecast from 2014/15, rising to a peak of over 2 f.e. in 2019/20

Action taken

No action has been required to date,

Next steps

Further work is required to ascertain whether additional places will be required to meet local demand, given the wide geographic area from which schools in this planning area currently attract pupils. Feasibility work would be required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future if this is considered necessary in the context of local demand.

Rickmansworth

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	603	603	603	603	603	603	603	603	603	603	603
Demand	589	625	635	634	659	709	695	686	695	677	650
Supply/Shortage	14	-22	-32	-31	-56	-106	-92	-83	-92	-74	-47
% Surplus/Shortage	2.3%	-3.6%	-5.3%	-5.1%	-9.3%	-17.6%	-15.3%	-13.8%	-15.3%	-12.3%	-7.8%
No of FE	0.5	-0.7	-1.1	-1.0	-1.9	-3.5	-3.1	-2.8	-3.1	-2.5	-1.6

A deficit of places is forecast in Rickmansworth from 2014/15 peaking at 4 f.e. in 2018/19.

Action taken

2007/08: permanent expansion of St Clement Danes by 1 fe.

Next steps

A significant amount of feasibility work has been undertaken to ascertain the most appropriate long term solution to create the required additional capacity across Rickmansworth, Watford and Bushey. There is a relationship between these areas in terms of school place provision as parts are geographically close and pupils move between them to attend secondary school (see Bushey above and Watford below.)

Given the increasing forecast in all three of these planning areas it is certain that new provision will be required and consideration is also being given to the capacity of existing local schools to expand (although town planning assessments to date indicate that options are limited). The County Council has been working closely with Three Rivers District Council to secure appropriate education site allocations as part of the Local Development Spatial plan for the area in order to meet this forecast demand.

In addition, earlier this year (2012) the Department for Education granted conditional approval for a 4 f.e. (120 places) secondary free school in this locality. This is likely to be located in the Mill End/Maple Cross part of this secondary planning area. This would

create additional places from September 2013, but additional capacity will still be required to meet the significant forecast deficit across the area. These places are not reflected in the table above.

Royston: Middle

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 5 places available	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210	210
Demand	152	165	171	190	183	199	203	192	198	195	192
Supply/Shortage	58	45	39	20	27	11	7	18	12	15	18
% Surplus/Shortage	27.6%	21.4%	18.6%	9.5%	12.9%	5.2%	3.3%	8.6%	5.7%	7.1%	8.6%
No of FE	1.9	1.5	1.3	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.6

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

Forecasts indicate that there will be only 7 surplus places at the two middle schools in the town in 2019/20.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

The County Council will continue to monitor forecasts and will work with the two middle schools to ensure that there are an appropriate number of places to meet future demand.

Royston Upper

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 9 places available	213	213	213	213	213	213	213	213	213	213	213
Demand	118	131	126	144	135	145	146	159	155	163	167
Supply/Shortage	95	82	87	69	78	68	67	54	58	50	46
% Surplus/Shortage	44.6%	38.5%	40.8%	32.4%	36.6%	31.9%	31.5%	25.4%	27.2%	23.5%	21.6%
No of FE	3.2	2.7	2.9	2.3	2.6	2.3	2.2	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.5

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A surplus of places is forecast for the planning area.

Meridian is the only upper school in Royston.

Action taken

None required to date.

Next steps

None required at the present time, but the County Council will continue to monitor forecasts.

St Albans

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599	1599
Demand	1318	1454	1462	1474	1550	1570	1683	1630	1603	1613	1553
Supply/Shortage	281	145	137	125	49	29	-84	-31	-4	-14	46
% Surplus/Shortage	17.6%	9.1%	8.6%	7.8%	3.1%	1.8%	-5.3%	-1.9%	-0.3%	-0.9%	2.9%
No of FE	9.4	4.8	4.6	4.2	1.6	1.0	-2.8	-1.0	-0.1	-0.5	1.5

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

In the long term an additional 1 f.e. may be required to meet demand, with a peak of 3 f.e. in 2019/20.

Action taken

2011/12: permanent expansion of St Albans Girls' School by 18 places to 196

2012/13: permanent expansion of Beaumont School by 2 places to 180

Next steps

A significant amount of feasibility work has been undertaken to identify options for a long term solution across Harpenden and St Albans, either by the expansion of existing schools, establishing new provision, or a combination of both.

Stevenage

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	1366	1366	1366	1366	1366	1366	1366	1366	1366	1366	1366
Demand	1110	1210	1245	1257	1287	1409	1477	1466	1570	1550	1509
Supply/Shortage	256	156	121	109	79	-43	-111	-100	-204	-184	-143
% Surplus/Shortage	18.7%	11.4%	8.9%	8.0%	5.8%	-3.1%	-8.1%	-7.3%	-14.9%	-13.5%	-10.5%
No of FE	8.5	5.2	4.0	3.6	2.6	-1.4	-3.7	-3.3	-6.8	-6.1	-4.8

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2018/19 suggesting the need for up to 7 fe additional capacity. These forecasts exclude any proposed new housing to the west of Stevenage, which will be expected to provide the education infrastructure to meet the need from this new community.

Action taken

2011/12:

- expansion of Marriotts by 1.1 f.e. to 7 f.e.
- permanent expansion of The Nobel by 1 fe to 8 Fe.

2012/13: permanent expansion of Barnwell by 1 fe to 10 fe.

Next steps

2013/14: permanent expansion of Marriotts by 1 fe to 8 fe has been approved.

Feasibility work is required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places.

Tring

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240
Demand	241	227	242	237	254	251	247	253	255	237	223
Supply/Shortage	-1	13	-2	3	-14	-11	-7	-13	-15	3	17
% Surplus/Shortage	-0.4%	5.4%	-0.8%	1.3%	-5.8%	-4.6%	-2.9%	-5.4%	-6.3%	1.3%	7.1%
No of FE	0.0	0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.5	-0.4	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	0.1	0.6

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

There is a small deficit of places forecast from 2013/14 rising to around 0.5 f.e. from 2017/18.

There is only one 8 FE secondary school in Tring.

Action taken

2004: permanent expansion of Tring Secondary's by 8 places.

Next steps

The school attracts from a wide area, including Berkhamsted and out of county. Current capacity should be sufficient to provide places for local children. However, forecasts will be carefully monitored to ensure there are sufficient places to meet demand.

Watford

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	1206	1206	1206	1206	1206	1206	1206	1206	1206	1206	1206
Demand	1103	1197	1230	1238	1312	1359	1408	1408	1429	1499	1438
Supply/Shortage	103	9	-24	-32	-106	-153	-202	-202	-223	-293	-232
% Surplus/Shortage	8.5%	0.7%	-2.0%	-2.7%	-8.8%	-12.7%	-16.7%	-16.7%	-18.5%	-24.3%	-19.2%
No of FE	3.4	0.3	-0.8	-1.1	-3.5	-5.1	-6.7	-6.7	-7.4	-9.8	-7.7

A deficit of places is forecast from 2015/16 rising to a peak of 10 f.e. in 2022/23.

Action taken

2006/07: expansion of Westfield Community College by 1 fe to 7 fe.

2009/10: Francis Combe School closed to become Francis Combe Academy. Its PAN was reduced to 7 fe.

2011/12: temporary expansion of Westfield Community College's by 1 f.e. to 8 f.e.

2012/13:

- continued temporary expansion of Westfield Community College to 240
- St Michael's Catholic PAN increased by 12 places to 180
- Watford Grammar School for Boys PAN increased by 10 places to 190

2013/14:

- continued temporary expansion of Westfield Community College to 240
- Parmiter's PAN increased by 20 places to 206

Next steps

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Given the increasing forecast in all three of these planning areas it is certain that new provision will be required and consideration is also being given to the capacity of existing local schools to expand (although town planning assessments to date indicate that options are limited). The County Council has been working closely with Three Rivers District Council to secure appropriate education site allocations as part of the Local Development Spatial plan for the area in order to meet this forecast demand.

Welwyn Garden City

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Year 7 places available	629	629	629	629	629	629	629	629	629	629	629
Demand	543	544	563	591	628	647	656	637	660	630	632
Supply/Shortage	86	85	66	38	1	-18	-27	-8	-31	-1	-3
% Surplus/Shortage	13.7%	13.5%	10.5%	6.0%	0.2%	-2.9%	-4.3%	-1.3%	-4.9%	-0.2%	-0.5%
No of FE	2.9	2.8	2.2	1.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.9	-0.3	-1.0	0.0	-0.1

The forecast from 2019/20 onwards includes an assessment of the pupil yield from new housing based on the latest district/borough council housing targets, which have yet to be confirmed via their Local Development Framework processes.

A deficit of places is forecast from 2018/19 with a peak in 2021/22 of 1fe.

Action taken

None required to date

Next steps

Feasibility work is required to consider where additional places could be made available in the future to meet the forecast deficit of places.