

**Brentry Park Development Management Company Limited,
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Dear Governor

Bristol Free School Admission Consultation

I am writing on behalf of the residents on the Royal Victoria Park Estate, Bristol BS10 regarding the admissions consultation for Bristol Free School. The residents of Royal Victoria Park estate fully support Bristol Free School's proposal to extend the Year 7 intake, and the proposed admissions criteria for sixth form entry. We would also like to register our recognition of the hard work and commitment the Parents Voice group, together with the Russell Education Trust and the teaching staff have put into getting the school established.

About Royal Victoria Park Estate

Royal Victoria Park estate is a very short distance from from Bristol Free School (c.400 metres) and represents the diversity of the community in microcosm – it has children from diverse socio-economic and cultural backgrounds living in a wide range of dwellings covering all the main types: semi detached houses, terraced houses, social housing, detached houses and flats. In total there are 137 houses and 98 Flats. The estate covers the following BS10 roads: Royal Victoria Park, John Repton Gardens, Strathearn Drive, Gainsborough Mews, Tennyson Mews and Repton Hall.

Case for Inclusion in Bristol Free School Area of Primary Admissions

There has been a longstanding desire by residents of our estate to be included in the admissions priority area for Bristol Free School as it is our closest local secondary school. Following discussion with Mr Clutterbuck, Charlotte Leslie (MP) and Mark Weston (our local Councillor), we organised ourselves via our estate management company (BPDMCL) to survey the residents of the estate for evidence of their views and evidence of the effects of exclusion. We undertook the survey because we believed that there was a strong desire for inclusion and because we believed that including our estate would enhance and extend the social and cultural diversity of the school. We also asked residents to express their views directly to the Russell Education Trust via the consultation response email address.

The results of our survey provide evidence supporting these beliefs, and highlight the social and environmental impacts of excluding estate from Bristol Free School's admissions priority area. We have enclosed a summary of these results for your information and would welcome the opportunity to present the findings from our survey and discuss our case for inclusion.

Our Request

Our request is for Royal Victoria Park Estate to be included in Bristol Free School's admissions priority area.

Thank you for your consideration of our request

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