

Admissions Policy

The Boulders Learning and skills Centre has a designated number on roll of 15, and accepts boys and girls in the 12-17 age range.

The school accepts referrals from Local Authorities, and all potential applicants for places must be processed by the education manager. The school will, however, receive informal inquiries by telephone or letter addressed to the Director.

It is anticipated that pupils will have a completed Statement of Special Educational Needs in accordance with the 1981 Education Act Procedures. In exceptional circumstance (short-term contracting) this may not be necessary but strict time limits will be adhered to for the benefit of the child.

The policy of the school is to obtain as much relevant information as possible on the pupil, school situation and family background to determine not only placement at the school but also classroom and residential settings, linking key personnel with initial management programmes. Accordingly following receipt of papers the following procedure is initiated:-

1. The Education Manager will contact the relevant Authority or Department to inform them that papers have been received and are to be acted upon.
2. An appointment will be made for the school to visit the home for an initial visit and discussion with parents and pupil.
3. Those other agencies involved in completing the statement will be asked for relevant information.
5. An appointment will be arranged for the pupil and family members to visit the school for an interview by members of the Senior Management Team and for the family to make an assessment of the school.
6. An offer of a place or a written explanation to the contrary will be given within 5 working days of the school interview. This will include details of a starting date, transport arrangements, the pupils Keyworker and Class Teacher.
8. The school will keep the relevant department or Authority aware of the progress of the admissions procedure.