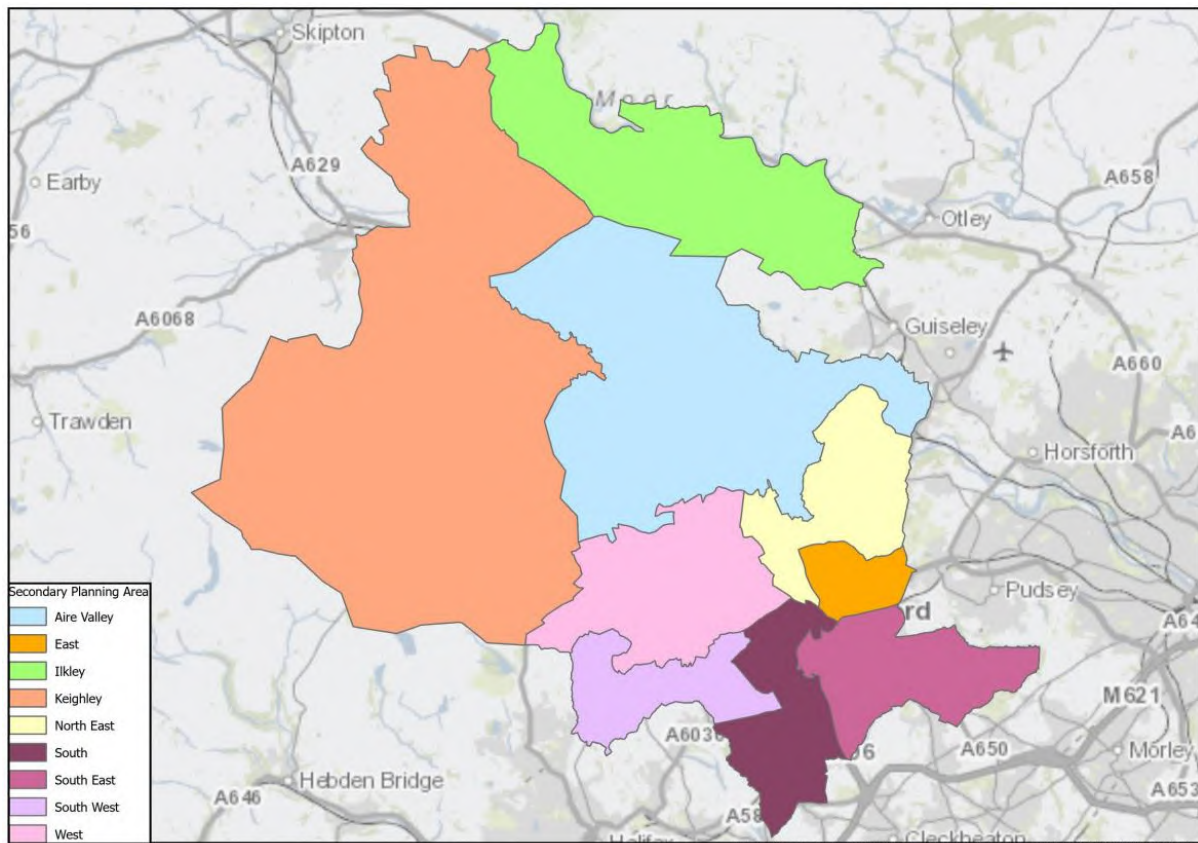


Bradford District Secondary Summary

Secondary education in the Bradford District is divided into the following nine separate planning areas:

Aire Valley	Bradford South West
Bradford East	Bradford West
Bradford North East	Ilkley
Bradford South	Keighley
Bradford South East	

Map showing the boundaries of the nine secondary planning areas:



The table below shows the number of secondary schools in each planning area, the number of those with post 16 provision and the published admission number (PAN) for each planning area in the 2023/24 academic year:

Planning Area	Number of Secondary Schools	Number of Secondary Schools with Post 16 Provision	Published Admission Number (PAN) 2023
Aire Valley	4	3	1000
Bradford East	3	1	600
Bradford North East	5	4	1125
Bradford South	4	0	868
Bradford South East	4	1	800
Bradford South West	2	0	480
Bradford West	7	2	1255
Ilkley	1	1	300
Keighley	4	3	825
Total	35	15	7253

Children transferring to other Local Authority secondary schools

There is a historic trend of cross border transfers from children living within the Bradford District.

The number of pupils living in the Bradford District allocated to secondary schools in neighbouring local authorities over the past three years are shown in the table below:

Local Authority	Pupils 2021	Pupils 2022	Pupils 2023	Average
Calderdale	190	156	191	179
Kirklees	21	19	31	24
Leeds	344	353	329	342
North Yorkshire	238	273	264	258
Total	793	801	815	803

It is difficult to predict accurately the numbers likely to transfer to other Local Authorities in the future, the forecasting process uses an average over the previous 3 years. The school population nationally has been growing considerably but drops again in the near future; the numbers able to transfer to schools in other Local Authorities is therefore likely to fluctuate.

Secondary forecasts in the Bradford District

Forecasts for the future need for secondary places are based on the historic pattern of transfer from Year 6 children in primary schools to Year 7. Due to the previously increasing population, several primary schools across the District expanded. The increased numbers are continuing to work their way into the secondary phase.

It is general practice that wherever possible a surplus capacity of 5% is planned into the overall capacity of schools across the area. This is to allow for a range of factors which can change year on year including changes to parental preference and inward migration.

Estimates of the number of pupils likely to require a secondary school place in the Bradford District between 2023 and 2029 are shown in the following table.

They are compared to the total number of places available (PAN). The surplus places refer to the projected Year 7 demand compared with the capacity of the schools. The total number on roll (NOR) is then compared with the total net capacity of all secondary schools within the Bradford District with an overall surplus number and percentage of surplus capacity.

Forecast Data

Year	Available Places	Year 7 forecast	Surplus Y7 Places	% Surplus Y7 Places	Total Capacity All Years	All Years forecast	Total Surplus Places	% Surplus Total Places
2023/24	7253	7369	-116	-1.6%	42123	39546	2577	6.1%
2024/25	7238	7321	-83	-1.1%	42123	39933	2190	5.2%
2025/26	7238	7314	-76	-1.1%	42123	40135	1988	4.7%
2026/27	7238	7229	9	0.1%	42123	40072	2051	4.9%
2027/28	7238	7226	12	0.2%	42123	40070	2053	4.9%
2028/29	7238	7047	191	2.6%	42123	39746	2377	5.6%
2029/30	7238	6782	456	6.3%	42123	39202	2921	6.9%

Note that a number of schools have agreed to admit over the PAN where required, making use of surplus space such as from undersubscribed year groups or the closure of sixth forms etc.

The size of cohorts entering secondary schools have been increasing for a number of years as the increased number of primary aged children move up into the secondary phase. Across the district the forecast shows that numbers entering the secondary phase will begin to decrease, however there are variations between planning areas in terms of the scale and timing.

Accuracy of forecasts

All of the District's secondary planning areas were redrawn for 2022; comparable forecasts are therefore not available to demonstrate historic accuracy over multiple years. However, the tables below detail the accuracy of the 2022 forecast in predicting numbers on roll (NOR) in 2023:

Planning Area	Year 7 forecast	Y7 NOR	Difference	Difference as % of NOR
Aire Valley	1026	1021	5	0.5%
Bradford East	616	612	4	0.7%
Bradford North East	1128	1087	41	3.8%
Bradford South	922	915	7	0.8%
Bradford South East	836	791	45	5.7%
Bradford South West	501	493	8	1.6%
Bradford West	1253	1238	15	1.2%
Ilkley	319	317	2	0.6%
Keighley	802	783	19	2.4%
Total	7403	7257	146	2.0%

Planning Area	All Years forecast	All Years NOR	Difference	Difference as % of NOR
Aire Valley	5909	5881	28	0.5%
Bradford East	3255	3300	-45	-1.4%
Bradford North East	6563	6401	162	2.5%
Bradford South	4266	4236	30	0.7%
Bradford South East	4050	4009	41	1.0%
Bradford South West	2322	2342	-20	-0.9%
Bradford West	6571	6544	27	0.4%
Ilkley	2036	2083	-47	-2.3%
Keighley	4352	4303	49	1.1%
Total	39324	39099	225	0.6%

Proposals

Continue to monitor the effects of the two new free schools, taking account of the fact that Eden Boys Leadership Academy has now moved to its permanent location in BD8, and work with schools where they may wish to change their intake either into year 7 or sixth form.

Monitor the effects of the increase in popularity of schools on the edge of the District to see whether this impacts on the number of Bradford children attending schools outside of the District and/or children from other local authorities applying to attend Bradford schools.

Across the District, the number of children due to transfer to secondary school 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.