

# Circular From West Park Residents Association

This circular is to advise members about two public consultations currently being carried out by Leeds City Council. They will be of interest especially to those with children of school age. If you need further information please use the email and web links quoted in the text.

## **Primary School Admissions**

The deadline for this consultation is Friday, 07-12-2018. It concerns proposals to change the procedures for allocating children to local schools. WPRA contacted the Council about it on 29-12-2018 and [Janet Carter](#) replied by email as follows:

*"Date: 30 November 2018 at 09:00*

*Subject: Primary school admissions consultation.*

*Thank you for your call yesterday. It was very thoughtful of you to contact me. Following on from our conversation, please find a link below to a webpage that gives information about the current admissions consultation including an interactive map of the city and a link to an online survey for responses. You can click on the map to get further information about specific areas. [Link to information about admissions consultation](#)*

*Please note that the proposed changes only apply to schools that use the local authority's admissions policy; schools that are their own admitting authority, such as St Chad's Primary School, determine their own admissions arrangements. In your local area the proposed catchment area for Weetwood Primary school is smaller than the current nearest priority area, meaning that if the proposals went ahead fewer children would have Weetwood Primary as their priority school.*

*Please pass on information about the consultation to anyone who you think may be interested and also please note that the consultation closes on 7 Dec."*

## **Hot Food Takeaways**

The deadline for this consultation is Monday 07-01-2019. It concerns the Council's planning policy regarding Hot Food Takeaways. WPRA were alerted to it on 27-12-2018 by Weetwood Labour Councillor [James Gibson](#). He wrote as follows:

*"This may seem trivial, but Hot Food Takeaways that are located around secondary schools are part of a spectrum of problems that have a proven causal link to childhood obesity. I am passionate about the need to promote healthy lifestyles amongst young people. Plenty of exercise and a healthy diet are key to good health and I think that the Council has a role to play in supporting young people in both of these areas. One of the ways that as a City we can promote a healthier diet is by reducing the amount of unhealthy food options targeted at children and young people in our communities - which is the aim of the proposed planning policy open for consultation. I am sure there are many local residents that are concerned about this issue and would like to comment on the consultation. If you would like to comment please follow the link below: <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/hftspd>."*