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Hi,

When considering the local schools you have not considered the impact to BBG in housing 87 families in their catchment. I understand that this may be because BBG is an academy state funded school. However, most residents opt to request a place at BBG over Whitcliffe Mount School so this information should be reflected in the consideration stage.

BBG is walking distance from Gomersal, arguably Whitcliffe Mount is less so. It makes sense that many parents want to utilise a local (in walking distance) school.

BBG is oversubscribed and its request for admission is increasing which has reduced its catchment from Birstall, Birkenshaw and Gomersal to almost just Birkenshaw and some parts of Gomersal. There are many appeals each year. We are already struggling to get our children in this school, the catchment was ended at the first few houses on Burnley's nearest Cliffe Lane last year.

The building of 87 houses will impact on everyone on the "wrong" side of the development as homes on Cliffe Lane and Burnley's will have slim chance of getting into BBG. Many of us who have bought a house in the area with consideration of schools for future need.

I would appreciate you looking into the admissions for BBG when considering this housing development.