STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 3091

The School Admissions (Local Authority Reports and Admission Forums) (England) Regulations 2008

PART 2

Reports by local authorities to the adjudicator

Matters connected with relevant school admissions

- **4.**—(1) For the purposes of section 88P(1) *(matters connected with relevant school admissions)*(1) the prescribed matters are—
 - (a) the authority's assessment of the extent to which the current admission arrangements in the area of the authority serve the interests of looked after children, children with disabilities and children with special educational needs;
 - (b) the authority's assessment of how well the fair access protocol has worked since the relevant date, and how many children have been admitted to each relevant school in the area of the authority under the protocol during that period;
 - (c) whether primary schools are complying with the limit on infant class sizes imposed by section 1;
 - (d) the number of appeals made under arrangements made under section 94 in respect of each school for which the authority is admission authority since the relevant date, and the number of those appeals which were upheld;
 - (e) the number of appeals made under arrangements made under section 94 in respect of each school in the area of the authority for which the governing body is admission authority since the relevant date, and the number of those appeals which were upheld;
 - (f) the number of appeals made under arrangements made by each Academy, city technology college and city college for the technology of the arts in the area of the authority since the relevant date, and the number of appeals which were upheld;
 - (g) the authority's assessment of the extent to which—
 - (i) the authority, and
 - (ii) appeals panels in the authority's area established under arrangements made under section 94,

have complied with the mandatory requirements of the Appeals Code since the relevant date;

- (h) the authority's assessment of the effectiveness of any scheme for co-ordinating—
 - (i) the admission of pupils to relevant schools in the authority's area in the next academic year to begin after the date of the report, and

⁽¹⁾ A "relevant school" is defined in section 88P(3) of the SSFA 1998 as: a maintained school, an Academy, a city technology college, or a city college for the technology of the arts

- (ii) the admission of pupils in the authority's area to other relevant schools in that academic year;
- (i) details of the membership of the admission forum established for the area of the authority under section 85A and Part 3 of these Regulations;
- (j) details of any other matters which in the opinion of the authority affect the operation of admission arrangements for relevant schools in the area of the authority.
- (2) For the purposes of this regulation—
 - (a) "authority" means the local education authority making a report under section 88P;
 - (b) "the Appeals Code" means any code for school appeals issued under section 84(2);
 - (c) "current admission arrangements" means the arrangements under which pupils will be admitted to relevant schools in the first academic year to begin after the relevant date; and
 - (d) "relevant date" means 1st September 2008, or the date of the last local authority report, whichever is the later.

Form and content of local authority reports

- **5.**—(1) In addition to the matters referred to in regulation 4, a local authority report must include the following—
 - (a) a statement as to whether or not the future admission arrangements for maintained schools in the area of the authority conform with the mandatory requirements of
 - (i) the School Admissions Code, and
 - (ii) Part 3 (school admissions); and
 - (b) the percentage of pupils in each relevant school in the authority's area who are within section 512ZB(4) of the Education Act 1996 (provision of free school lunches and milk) as at the date of the statement.(3)
 - (2) For the purposes of this regulation—
 - (a) "future admission arrangements" means the arrangements under which pupils will be admitted to relevant schools in the second academic year to begin after the date of the local authority report, and
 - (b) "the School Admissions Code" means any code for school admissions issued under section 84.

Provision of information to local authority

6. For the purposes of section 88Q (relevant persons who must provide information to a local education authority), the clerk to an appeal panel constituted under section 94 is a relevant person.

Timing of local authority reports

7. A local authority report must be made no later than 30th June each year.

⁽²⁾ Section 84 is amended by Schedules 4 and 22 to the Education Act 2002 (c.32) and Part 6 of Schedule 18 to the Education and Inspections Act 2006 (c.40).

⁽³⁾ c. 56; section 512ZB is inserted by section 201 of the Education Act 2002 (c.32).