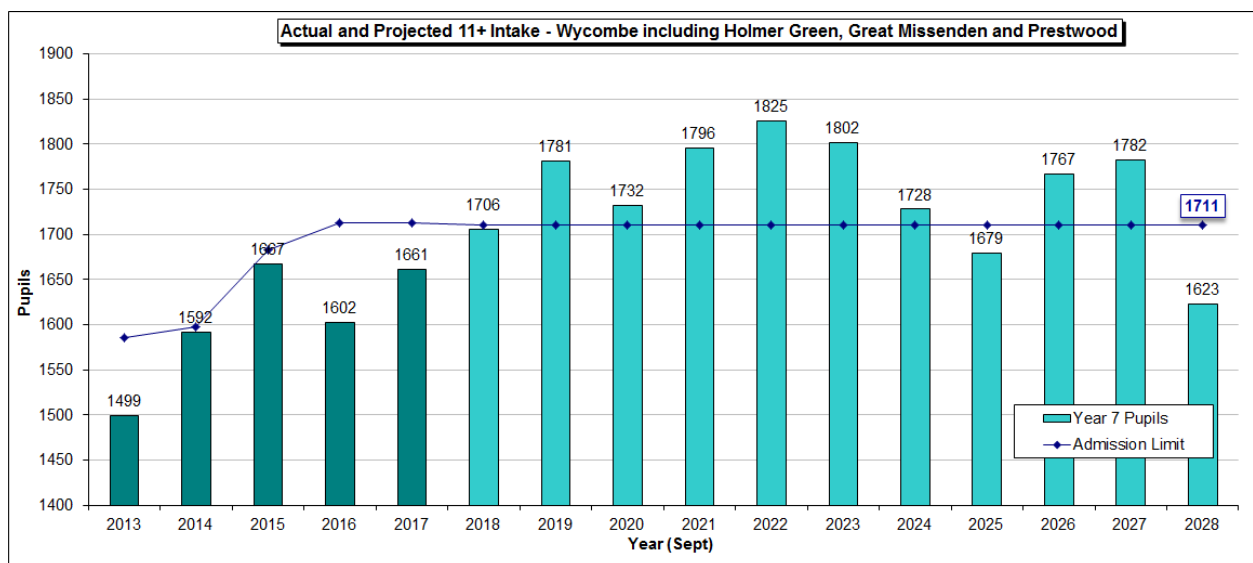


# MISBOURNE SCHOOL 1FE EXPANSION AND SPORTS HALL

## DEVELOPMENT CONTROL MEETING 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 2019

### Evidence of Demand – Paula Campbell-Balcombe

Upper schools in area are currently full in Year 7 with the most recent population figures indicating the need to increase provision by an additional 3-4 forms of entry over the period 2018 to 2028. The chart below shows the projected upper school intake over that period based on current migration trends and parental choice (i.e. grammar, independent and out county schools), planned admission numbers and current district council planned housing growth targets<sup>1</sup>.



The projections indicate a significant rise in the population with demand expected to exceed supply by 2019/20. Expansion of Misbourne would meet the DfE criteria for expansion including:

It is popular with parents. The number of first preferences for the school well exceeds the number of places available.

It supports the raising of school standards. OfSTED have stated that the quality of teaching is consistently good across the school.

It meets the demand for new school places within the planning area. In line with DfE guidance, BCC plans provision at planning area level to incorporate the complexities of parental preference and year on year changes in population migration.

<sup>1</sup> Wycombe and Chiltern & South Bucks District Council are currently consulting on their local plans which outline their plans for building a further 20,000 homes across the area up to 2031.

There are three key phases for the proposed expansion plans:

### **1. 1Fe Expansion Accommodation**

The proposal is to build a standalone 5 classroom teaching block which will minimise the impact on the school during the build time and will provide fit for purpose facilities for the staff and pupils. In addition a small muga will be included to meet Building Bulletin103 requirements.

### **2. Undersized sports hall facilities:**

It is proposed to provide a new sports hall for the School, the current sports hall is unfit for purpose for the school's current intake and has reached the end of its economic life. The old sports hall will therefore be demolished to make way for the new accommodation. The new sports facility will provide additional community benefit for the area in that it will be available for hire from the school by the wider community.

### **3. Car Park/Drop Off**

In order to meet Highways requirements for the expansion a new drop off route for coaches/parents and additional car parking is being provided to meet both the needs of the school and also to facilitate community use out of school hours.

### **Benefits**

In addition to meeting the additional need for school places in the area, the sports hall proposal also brings considerable benefits in terms of the delivery of the sports curriculum for the pupils which will assist the School to meet the Government's Healthy Pupil agenda and it will also provide welcome facilities for the local area. Its addition will serve to further enhance the excellent education and sporting offer that the School provides to its pupils and also the local community and should be wholehearted welcomed and supported.