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Dear Chair of Governors and Headteacher

Re: North Yorkshire County Council School Admissions Appeal Service from 1 April 2019

I am writing to inform you that recently there have been changes to the way in which schools are funded. This has meant that the Council has had to review and ultimately change its approach to some of its service provision, including the School Admissions Appeal Service.

Historically, the Council has fulfilled the schools admissions appeals functions on behalf of all Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools at no charge to those schools. It has also charged, at a rate below full cost recovery, all own admissions authority schools for school admissions appeal functions, when they have opted into our service.

As of 1 April 2019, and for the duration of the academic year 2019/2020, the Council will provide a school admissions appeals service to all schools in the county, free of charge. The type and nature of the service provided will not change and be delivered as it is currently.

This change in policy means there is a loss of income to the North Yorkshire County Council School Admissions Appeal Service. In turn, this means we need to re-consider what type of service we will be able to provide to schools in the future. As such, we are treating the current financial year, 2019/20, as a transition year. During this transition year, we will have the opportunity to review the service, before consulting with all schools further later in the year.

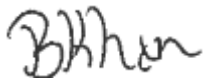
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If you have any questions about this, then please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Schools Admissions Appeals Service, as below:

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Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W Burchill', written in a cursive style.

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