

Hambleton CE VC Primary School and Thorpe Willoughby Community Primary School – Consultation on proposed changes to school catchment areas

North Yorkshire Council is consulting on a proposed change to the school catchment areas for Hambleton CE VC Primary School and Thorpe Willoughby Community Primary School.

If approved, the change would apply to children applying for school places for admission from September 2028.

A school catchment area is the geographical area served by a school. Catchment areas form part of the admissions arrangements used when allocating school places.

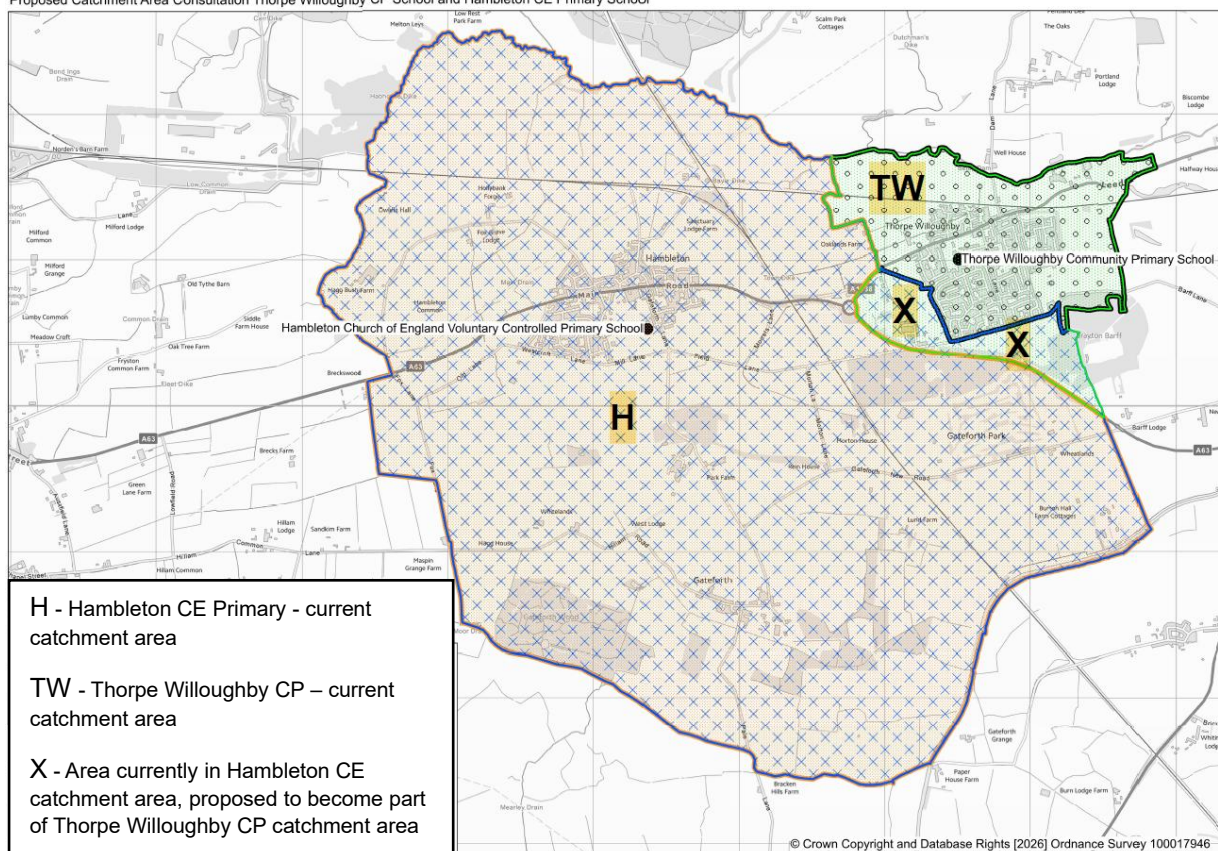
What is proposed?

It is proposed that two areas (marked X) currently within the catchment area of Hambleton CE VC Primary School become part of the catchment area of Thorpe Willoughby Community Primary School.

These two areas adjoin the settlement of Thorpe Willoughby, lying on its western and southern sides and to the north of the A63 (Selby Bypass).

The map below shows the current catchment areas and the proposed catchment areas.

Proposed Catchment Area Consultation Thorpe Willoughby CP School and Hambleton CE Primary School



Why is this change proposed?

The proposed change reflects changes that have already been made to the parish boundaries of Hambleton and Thorpe Willoughby. It would also better reflect the current pattern of development and approved housing growth associated with Thorpe Willoughby.

Your views

We welcome your views on the proposal. Please submit your comments by **9th December 2026**, indicating whether or not you support the proposed change and providing any reasons or additional comments.

Responses should be sent by email to schoolorganisation@northyorks.gov.uk

What happens next?

School catchment areas form part of the admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools. As the admission authority for both schools, North Yorkshire Council is required to consult on any proposed changes before making a decision.

After considering all responses received, the Council will decide whether to approve the proposed changes as part of its admission arrangements for the 2028/29 school year. This decision must be made by **28 February 2027**. If approved, the revised catchment areas would apply for admissions from **September 2028**.

The proposal would not affect children who already attend either school.