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Further to previous request 62799.

If OOC places are solely based on distance to school or are there other factors that are considered, if so would you mind disclosing them please?

In February of each year, an officer panel reviews all parental submissions where a school is over-subscribed and request further information as required. The Committee on Pupil Student Support (a committee of elected members) view applications and prioritise the waiting list for each individual school. The waiting list priority is normally:

- Children with an older sibling attending the requested school in the next session.
- Children without an older sibling attending the requested school in the next session, and resident within the City of Edinburgh Council area.
- Children without an older sibling attending the requested school in the next session, and resident outside the City of Edinburgh Council area.

At the same time, they may determine that certain cases are exceptional and prioritise above or below siblings. Within each category, distance from home to school determines the order on the waiting list.

I am also keen to know how many OOC requests were received from Corstorphine Primary School students and how many of these were granted.

In relation to the August 2026 S1 intake, a total of eight requests were received by parents of children in attendance at Corstorphine Primary. Five were granted.

I would also like to know what grounds the 6 appeals were granted on please, if that is available to the public?

We do not hold this information. The Appeal Committee is an independent committee and whilst it is organised and administered by the Council in line with the Council's statutory obligations, the Council has no part in the Committee's decision-making process. The decisions are made in private, and this information is not available to our team nor to the public. If the panel consider the circumstances of a case to be exceptional, they have the power to grant places.