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- 1) This document sets out the admission arrangements for Avanti House School, Harrow ("The School"). Supplementary guidance can be found on the school website.
- 2) Avanti House School has a Published Admission Number of 60 pupils in Year R and 180 students in Year 7. The School will admit the admission number of pupils/students in the relevant age group each year if sufficient applications are received. If there are more applications than available places, the oversubscription procedure will be applied.
- 3) If the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with a Statement of Special Educational Needs where the school is named in the Statement, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in order:
 - i. <u>Looked after children:</u> A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, a residence, or special guardianship order¹. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).
 - ii. <u>Siblings:</u> Children with a sibling attending either Avanti House School or Krishna Avanti Primary School (Harrow) at the time of application. Siblings are defined in these arrangements as natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.
 - iii. <u>Krishna Avanti Primary School (Harrow) pupils:</u> Children that are on roll at Krishna Avanti Primary School (Harrow) at the time of application. (This applies to children applying for a Year 7 place)

Of the remaining available places²

iv. Half will be offered to children who live nearest to the site of the School³ measured by "as the crow flies" from their normal family home to the centre point of the

³ The primary school site for site for Reception year and Secondary school site for Year 7

¹ An adoption order is an order under Section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002.

A 'residence order' is an order settling the arrangements to be made as to the person with whom the child is to live under Section 8 of the Children Act 1989. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

² In the event that the remaining places are an odd number, the distance criteria will apply to 50% to the nearest whole number rounded down; the remaining places will be ascertained by random allocation.

- School using the agreed Local Authority measure of distance. (Please note that, at the time these arrangements were determined, the Government had not agreed the permanent site for the school).
- v. The remaining half will be offered by random allocation using an independently scrutinised process. This process will be equally applied to all applicants who have not obtained a place under all the above over-subscription criteria.

In the event of there being insufficient vacancies to admit all applicants in any of the categories detailed above, priority will be given to children whose home address is the shortest distance from the centre point of the school site. Where two or more applicants live equidistant from the school and places cannot be offered to all children, the places will be offered using random allocation in the presence of an independent witness.

<u>Twins and Multiple birth:</u> In cases where only one place is available and twins (or other multiple birth children) tie for that place, both (or all) will be offered a place even if this exceeds the planned admission number.