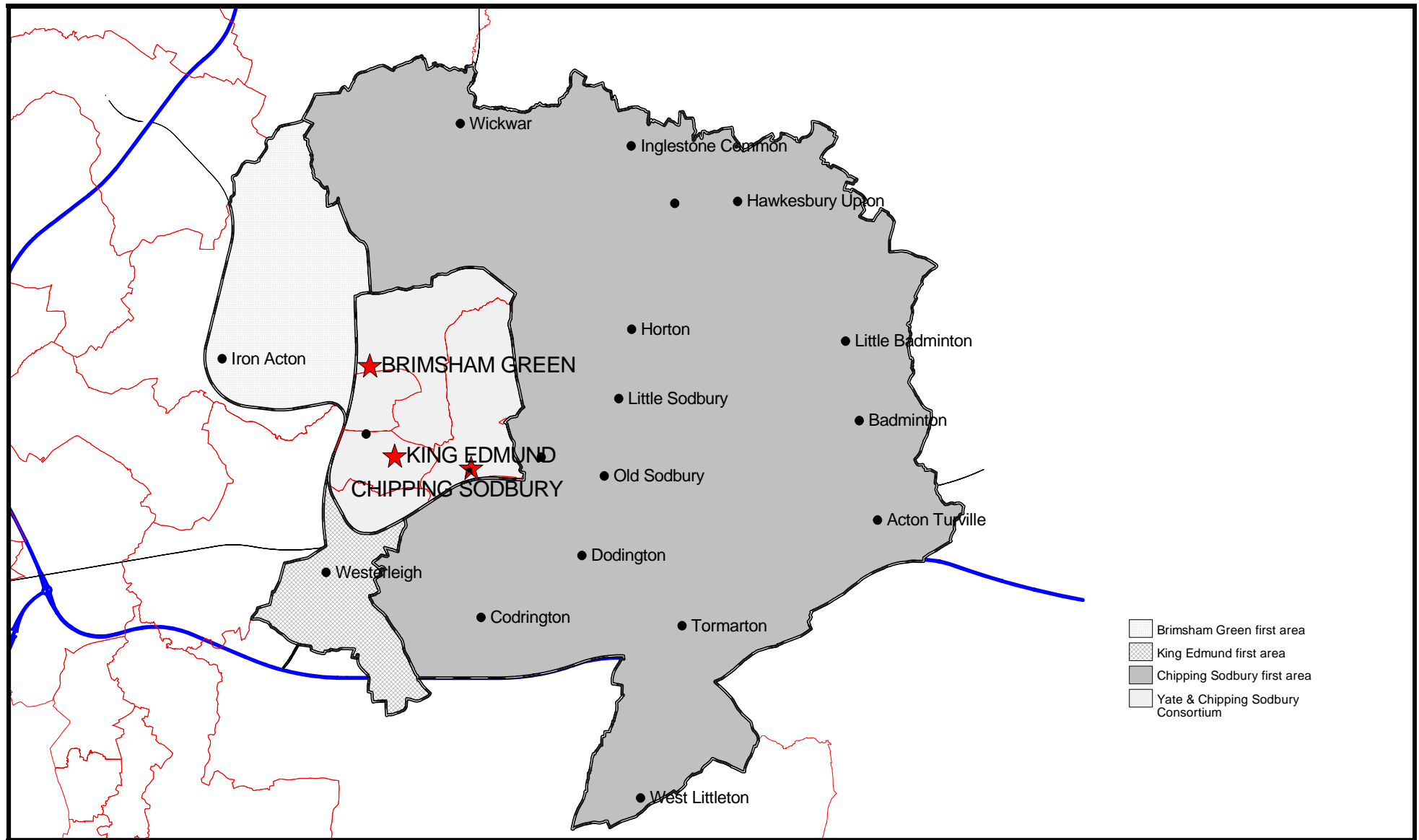


GROUP 2: YATE AND CHIPPING SODBURY

Map of the area showing Brimsham Green, Chipping Sodbury and King Edmund Schools and their APRs



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	AN	AN cap. (11-15) 2004/05	Net cap. (11-18) 2004/05	NOR Jan 2005			Surplus places (11-15) 2004/05		Projected pupil numbers						
				11-15	16+	Total		%	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	
Brimsham Green*	210	960	1231	939	126	1065	21	2%							
Chipping Sodbury	180	900	1051	876	149	1025	24	3%							
King Edmund	150	750	999	656	60	716	94	13%							
Total	540	2610	3281	2471	335	2806	139	5%	11-15	2487	2518	2531	2520	2527	2510
Group 2									Surplus	153	152	169	180	173	190
									%	6%	6%	6%	7%	6%	7%
									16+	326	325	327	342	343	355
									Total 11 to 18	2813	2843	2858	2862	2870	2865
									Surplus	468	438	423	419	411	416
									%	14%	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%

*Brimsham Green AN increased from 180 to 210 w.e.f. September 2003; the surplus capacity takes account of the year by year increase.

Commentary

There is currently a surplus of 139 places (5%) in the 11-15 statutory age range, 2% more than anticipated in the 2004-2009 Plan. Overall numbers are 41 less in the 11-15 age range and 66 less Post-16, compared with last year's projections. Numbers are therefore projected to fall to a greater extent than was previously expected, to a level of 13% overall by 2010.

At primary/secondary transfer the loss of pupils from this area to schools outside South Gloucestershire is a constant factor each year and approximates annually to three and a half forms of entry.

GROUP 2 continued

The majority of surplus school places in both the 11-15 age range and Post-16, is at King Edmund School, where the current Year 7 intake and admissions for September 2005 have now fallen to a level that is below the Council's policy of a minimum of four forms of entry (ie. a minimum intake of 120 pupils per year group).

The 2004-2009 Plan makes reference to the work being undertaken by the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) as part of its Strategic Area Review (StAR) of 14-19 provision across South Gloucestershire and the need for the outcomes of this review and options for change to be incorporated into ongoing School Organisation Planning processes. At the same time, the recent OFSTED Area-Wide Inspection of 14-19 education and training in South Gloucestershire (October 2004) is highly critical of the performance of South Gloucestershire's small sixth forms. As a consequence of the review, inspection and the falling roll situation at King Edmund School formal consultation is scheduled to begin in June/July 2005 on options for future secondary provision in the area.

Proposals

- Consult on options for future secondary provision in the area in order to secure schools that are of viable and sustainable size, in accordance with the Council's policy on minimum secondary school size, and address the outcomes of the Strategic Area Review of 14-19 provision in South Gloucestershire and the OFSTED 14-19 Area-Wide inspection of education and training in South Gloucestershire.

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