

ADDENDUM - IN YEAR FAIR ACCESS PROTOCOL 5th JANUARY 2021

- **EXTENDING MANAGED TRANSFERS BEYOND 12 WEEKS IN EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.**
- **COVID 19**

The managed transfer will normally last for **8 weeks**, however, in exceptional circumstances the Fair Access Panel can agree to an extension of up to a maximum of 12 weeks, after which point a decision will be made to either take the pupil fully on roll or the pupil will return to the home school. Review dates will be set at the start of the managed transfer.

The managed transfer can only be extended beyond **12 weeks** in exceptional circumstances, where for example the CAMHS Service make recommendations offering supportive measures to help the child sustain the place in the proposed school. The maximum time a managed move can be extended for is **20 weeks**. If the managed move is extended longer than 20 weeks this will need to be in agreement with the Lead Officer for School Admissions.

COVID 19 – From the 5th January 2021, it was announced that schools will be open only to the children of critical workers and vulnerable children (as defined in the government guidance). All other pupils will be provided with remote learning. Following on from this announcement the decision has been taken that the only children to be placed in Sefton schools will be Sefton residents who **do not** have a school place.

COVID 19 - Where a child is identified as one of the close contacts of someone who has tested positive and must self-isolate, the managed transfer will be extended for the child to complete the 8 weeks that are required in the protocol.