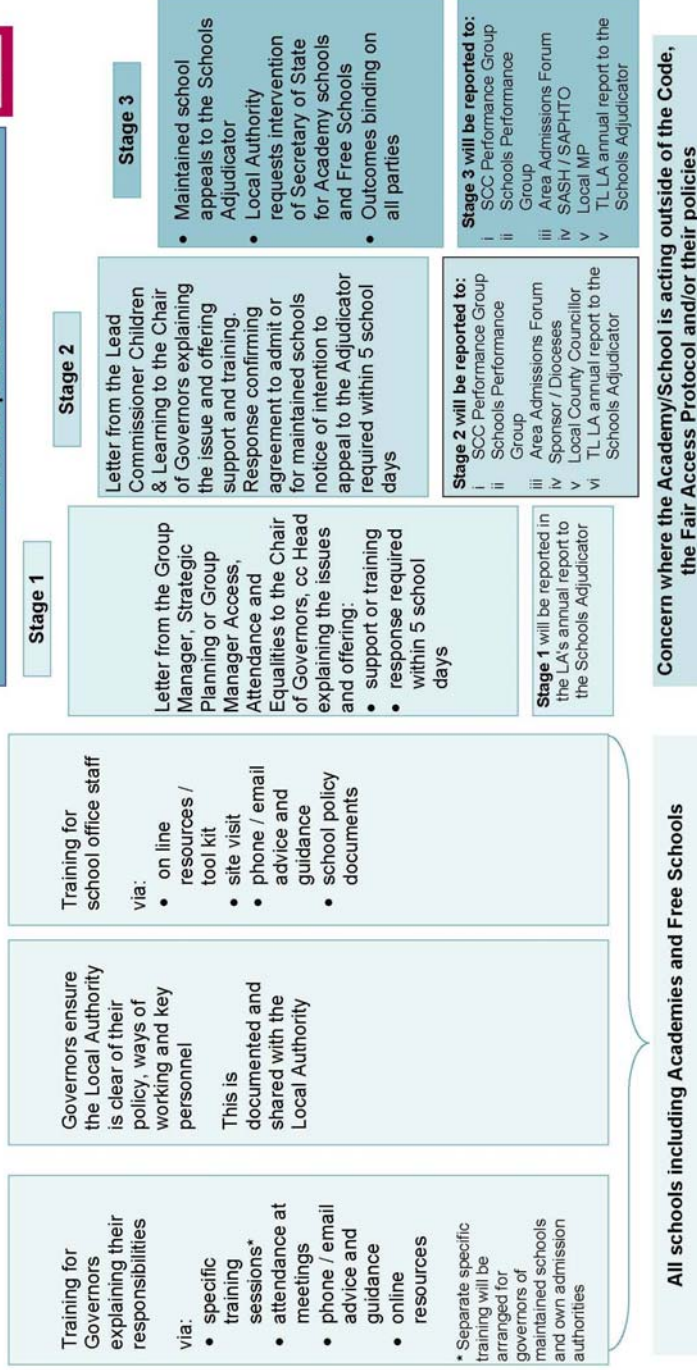




Escalation procedure



FAIR ACCESS PROTOCOL

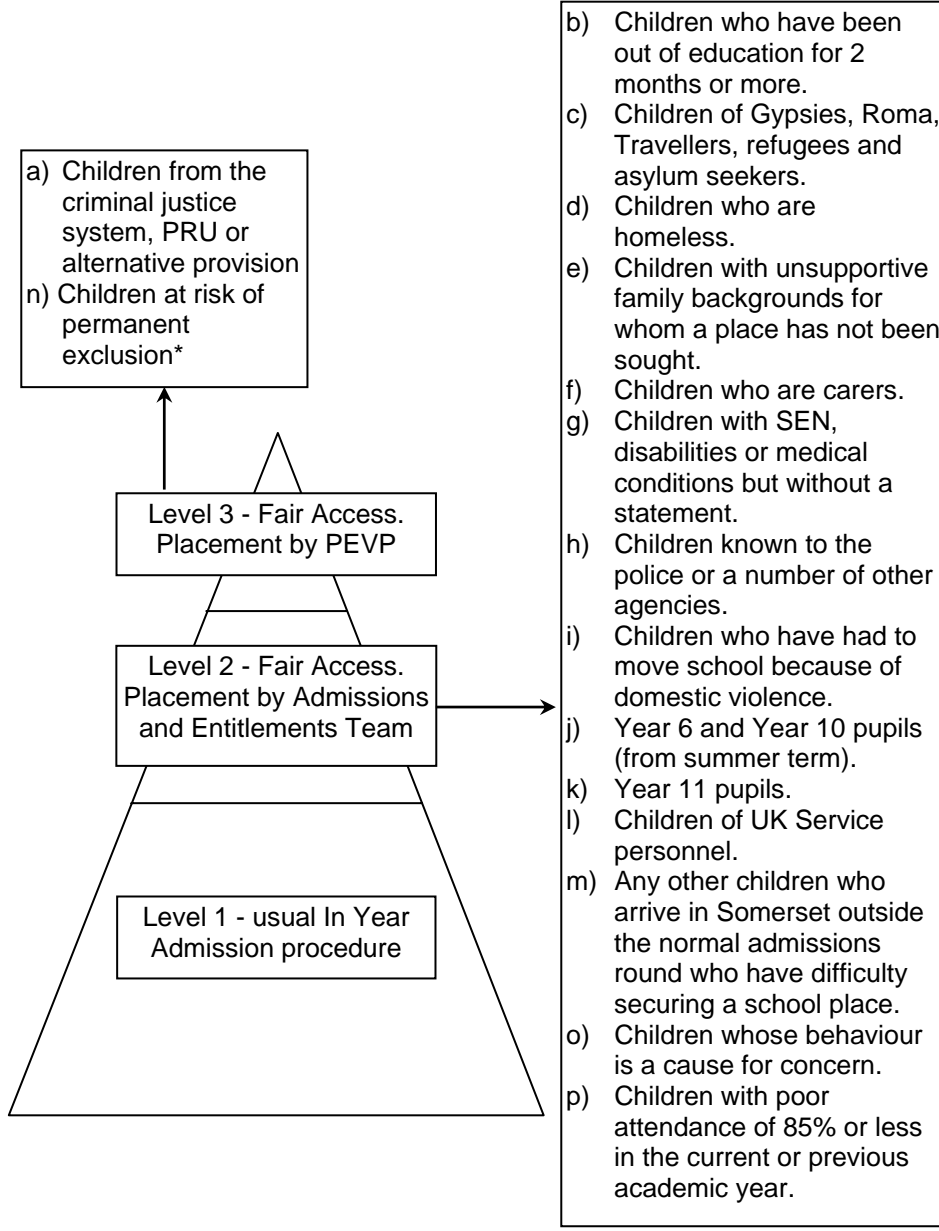
Summary

- In the revised School Admissions Code 2012, there is a continuing requirement for all Local Authorities to operate a Fair Access Protocol.
- All admission authorities must participate.
- The current Fair Access Protocol is limited to those children who meet the criteria for discussion at an Area Panel for Excluded and Vulnerable Pupils.

Key features:

- The revised protocol takes account of a wider range of vulnerable young people.
- Fair and equitable share data will include a wider range of children with challenging behaviour.
- The In-Year Admission Form has been strengthened to help parents think about the consequences of changing school.
- There is a clear escalation procedure showing how schools, academies and free schools will be supported if they do not adhere to the School Admissions Code and when the authority will refer to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator or Secretary of State.
- There is now the ability for schools to retrospectively apply for a child to be recorded under fair access if a pupil is more vulnerable than initially thought.

List of vulnerable children included in the Fair Access Protocol



Revised In Year Admission form has already been circulated to all schools Normal In-Year admission process - see Appendix 1

Appendix 2

