

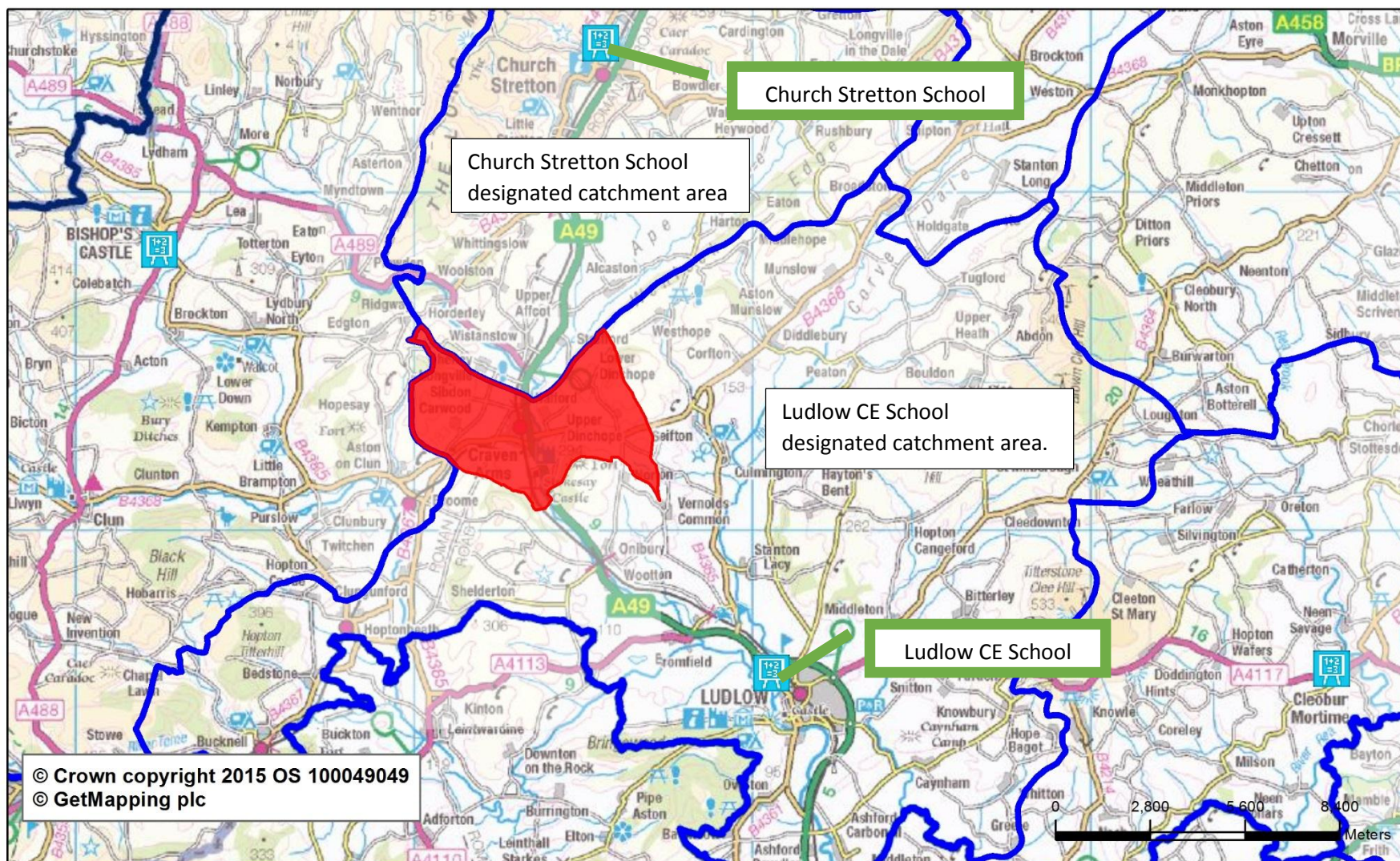
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE DESIGNATED SECONDARY CATCHMENT AREA FOR CRAVEN ARMS RESIDENTS

At the secondary phase of their education, residents of Craven Arms have been able to access free school transport to both Ludlow CE School and Church Stretton School, due to an historic arrangement. Although there is a negligible cost differentiation for the local authority in providing transport from Craven Arms to either school, the arrangement needs to be reviewed to bring it in line with Shropshire Council's School Transport Policy.

For the secondary phase of education, the town of Craven Arms currently falls within the designated catchment area of Ludlow CE School. Stokesay Primary School in Craven Arms is a nominated feeder-linked primary school for pupils who wish to transfer to Ludlow CE School. It is proposed that this close relationship should continue and that the area should remain as part of the Ludlow CE School designated catchment area and that Stokesay Primary School should continue as one of their feeder-linked primary schools.

In November 2014, Stokesay Primary School converted to academy status as part of the South Shropshire Academy Trust with Church Stretton School. A close working relationship naturally exists between these two schools. It is therefore reasonable to propose an enhancement to the catchment areas which will reflect this situation in the respective admission arrangements.

In recognition of the unique situation of Craven Arms, Shropshire Council proposes that the catchment area of Stokesay Primary School in Craven Arms, is designated jointly to Ludlow CE School and Church Stretton School at the secondary phase of education. This proposal will enable the residents of Craven Arms to continue to access free transport to either school. The area to be designated as a joint area is marked in red in the map below:



Stokesay Primary Catchment Area

(in relation to Ludlow and Church Stretton secondary catchment areas)

— Secondary school
designated catchment boundary.

■ Area proposed as joint
catchment for Ludlow CE School and
Church Stretton School.



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