**Firewall Change Request Form**

Firewalls create a buffer zone between the Internet (and other untrusted networks) and the network used at the school. Firewalls provide protection against outside cyber attackers by shielding your network from malicious or unnecessary network traffic. Firewalls can also prevent malicious software from accessing a computer or network via the internet.

Firewall rules are set to filter traffic and allow only authorised protocols, ports and applications to exchange data across the boundary. This helps reduce the exposure of systems to network based attacks. It is therefore hugely important to have an effective process in place to manage changes to firewall policies.

While Suffolk County Council provides a manged service and reviews all firewall change requests, it is important the Headteacher fully understands the risks and potential impacts of the requested change. It is the responsibility of the school to ensure they have fully considered the implications of the requested change and have implemented any mitigation actions required or have a suitable rollback plan should this be required.

By signing and submitting this form the headteacher indicates that they understand and accept the implications of the change detailed below.

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| School name | School name |
| Name of requester | Name of the person requesting change |
| Requestor’s position/job role | Name of the person's position/job role |
| Contact Details | |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Contact** **No** | Phone number | | **Contact e-mail address** | E-mail | | **Working pattern** | e.g. Mon to Wed, 8 to 4 | |
| Reason why a port needs to be opened  Please include technical details such as software being used and any information from a third party/supplier | Reason for opening |
| The port numbers which need to be opened | |  |  | | --- | --- | | **TCP** | **UDP** | | Port number | Port number | | Port number | Port number | | Port number | Port number | | Port number | Port number | |
| The source IP address | Source IP address |
| The destination IP address | Destination IP address |
| Name of Headteacher | Name of Headteacher |
| Headteacher signature | Headteacher signature |

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| Call Reference | Call Reference |
| EA Number | EA number |

Once completed, please email this form to: [ITServicedesk@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:ITServicedesk@suffolk.gov.uk)