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# NOTICE OF MEETING

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**CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION**

**THURSDAY, 30 JUNE 2016 AT 4.00 PM**

**CONFERENCE ROOM B - SECOND FLOOR, CIVIC OFFICES**

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**CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION**

Councillor Neill Young (Conservative)

## **Group Spokespersons**

Councillor Alicia Denny, UK Independence Party

Councillor John Ferrett, Labour

Councillor Suzy Horton, Liberal Democrat

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## **AGENDA**

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Declarations of interest**
- 3 Education Budgeting Monitoring Outturn Report for 2015/16 (Pages 1 - 4)**

### Purpose

To inform the Cabinet Member of the revenue expenditure position within the Education portfolio cash limit for the financial year 2015-16. This report sets out the budget position and contributing factors to the final portfolio underspend at the end of the financial year.

**RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member:**

**(1) Note the Education service outturn position for 2015/16, of £409k under the approved cash limit provision, and that this has been offset against the Children's Social Care overspend position for that year.**

**(2) Note the anticipated cash limit pressure for the 2016/17 financial year; and that this will continue to be monitored and reported regularly during the year.**

**4 DSG outturn 2015-16 and revised budget 2016-17 (Pages 5 - 14)**

Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to inform the Cabinet Member of the year-end outturn position as at the end of March 2016 for the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) and to propose revisions to the DSG budget for 2016-17.

**RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member:**

**(1) Note the year-end outturn budget position for the Dedicated Schools Grant as at the end of March 2016 and the variance explanations contained within this report.**

**(2) Approve the revised DSG budget for 2016-17 as set out in Appendix 1.**

**5 School Balances as at 31 March 2016 (Pages 15 - 32)**

Purpose of report

To inform the Cabinet Member of the level of maintained schools' revenue and capital balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.

**RECOMMENDED**

**That the Cabinet Member notes the level of maintained schools' revenue balances and capital balances as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 as shown in Appendices 2 & 3.**

**6 Future School Funding Formula Changes (Pages 33 - 58)**

Purpose of report

To provide the Cabinet Member with an initial summary and impact assessment, of the proposals contained within the 'school funding formula' consultation documents issued by the Department for Education (DfE) on the 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

**RECOMMENDED: that the Cabinet Member:**

**(1) Notes the Department for Education's proposed changes to the school funding arrangements and the potential impact of these**

changes, as set out within this report; and in particular:

**2017-18**

- i. The transitional period for 2017-18 and 2018-19. Funding to Local Authorities would be allocated on a national formula basis, but Local Authorities would continue to distribute this to schools based on a local formula.
- ii. Additional ring-fencing. The 'Schools Block' funding will be ring-fenced within the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG).
- iii. Creation of a new 'Central Schools Block' which will include the 'retained duties' element of the Education Services Grant (ESG).
- iv. The Introduction a formulaic method for distributing High Needs funding from central to local government from 2017-18 (including Special Education Needs (SEN) and Alternative Provision (AP)).
- v. The proposed fundamental review of Schools Forum.

**2019-20**

- vi. The implementation of a single National Funding Formula from 2019-20 (at a school level), with funding being passed directly by the Education Funding Agency.
- vii. Withdrawal of current de-delegation arrangements.

(2) Note the submission of the response to stage 1, of the Department for Education's consultation, as shown at Appendix 1.

(3) Endorse the creation of a working group to guide and inform the development of the local funding arrangements for 2017-18 and 2018-19 as set out in section 10.

**7 Post-Ofsted inspection of the Local Authority's arrangements for school improvement: Action Plan (Pages 59 - 92)**

Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the action plan that has been developed in order to respond to the findings of the Ofsted inspection undertaken in February 2016 of the council's arrangements for supporting school improvement in Portsmouth. A copy of the Ofsted report (published on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016) and the council's action plan are attached at Appendices 1 and 2.

**RECOMMENDED**

**That the Cabinet Member approves the action plan as set out at Appendix 2.**

**8 Education Advisory Board Terms of Reference (Pages 93 - 100)**

Purpose of report

To seek approval for the Terms of Reference of the Education Advisory Board which is to replace the former Schools Standards and Improvement Group (SSIG).

**RECOMMENDED**

**That the Cabinet Member approves the Terms of Reference for the Education Advisory Board as set out at Appendix 1.**