

## **Recommendations tabled at Schools Forum meeting on 17 January 2018.**

Following the late notification of data set changes from the DfE the following changes are required to the recommendations proposed to Schools Forum at the meeting on 17 January 2018.

### **2. Recommendations**

It is recommended that Schools Forum:

#### **a. Endorse one of the following options**

##### **i. Option 1**

Maintain the originally proposed formula factor rates as set in Appendix 4 and increase the growth fund by £59,400 from £342,600 to £402,000, providing greater flexibility to support in-year growth to mainstream schools who meet the growth fund criteria but who have not been identified at the time of setting the budget.

This would allow for a Growth Fund of £402,000.

##### **ii. Option 2**

Increase the primary IDACI Bands E and F factors by £12.00 and £20.00 respectively, thus moving the Portsmouth funding formula towards the National Funding Formula.

This would allow for a Growth Fund of £342,600

##### **iii. Option 3**

Increase the primary free school meals factor by £26.80, thus increasing funding available to deprived schools which is contrary to the National Funding Formula.

This would allow for a Growth Fund of £342,600.

#### **b. Approve the amount of the growth fund for 2018-19 as set out in the preferred option.**

#### **c. Subject to the Options agreed, endorse the appropriate determination of the 2018-19 schools budget (including the individual schools budgets) shown at Appendix 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3, together with the supporting explanations contained within this report and specifically approve the following budget lines:**

- i. Admissions;**
- ii. Schools Forum;**

#### **d. Endorse the proposed changes to the mainstream schools revenue funding formula as set out in section 6 and recommendation 2a.**

- e. Subject to the Options agreed in 2a, endorse the appropriate school revenue funding pro-forma at Appendix 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 for submission to the EFA on the 19 January 2018.**
- f. Endorse the 2018-19 Element 3 Top-up rates for the Resourced Units and Alternative Provision settings as set out in Appendix 5.**
- g. Endorse the decision that any carry-forward balances from 2017-18 be used to assist with the continued introduction of the funding reform changes and fund any potential financial pressures arising during 2018-19.**
- h. Endorse the local funding arrangements in respect of the 2, 3 and 4 year old early years provision for 2018-19; which will comply with the requirements of both the regulations and the operational guide.**
- i. Endorse the submission of the disapplication request to the DfE with regards to the University Technical College, as set out in paragraph 6.13.**
- j. Note the de-delegated unit values for 2018-19 as shown at Appendix 3.**