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# NOTICE OF MEETING

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## SCHOOLS FORUM

WEDNESDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 4.30 PM

THE EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM - THIRD FLOOR, THE GUILDHALL

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### Membership

#### Schools Members

One head teacher representative - nursery phase  
Three head teacher representatives - primary phase  
Three head teacher representatives - secondary phase  
One head teacher representative - special phase  
One academy representative  
Eight governors

#### Non School Members

Three Councillors from each political party  
One representative from the following organisations:  
The Anglican Diocese  
The Roman Catholic Diocese  
The 14-19 Partnership  
The Early Years providers (from the private, voluntary and independent sector)

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(NB This Agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting.)

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## AGENDA

- 1 Apologies
  
- 2 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 July 2013 (Pages 1 - 8)

**3 School Loan Scheme (Pages 9 - 12)**

Richard Webb, Finance Manager will present the attached report.

**RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum consider and approve one of the following options:**

- a) Discontinue the operation of the loan scheme for new loans with immediate effect; or**
- b) Continue the operation of the loan scheme, whilst recognising the potential financial risks to all schools.**

**4 Funding for Outreach Services (Pages 13 - 22)**

Richard Webb, Finance Manager will present the attached report.

**RECOMMENDED that:**

**Schools Forum Members consider and advise their preference to one of the following options for 2014-14:**

- a) Continue to allocate funding for outreach services to the individual special schools from the high needs budget.**
- b) Delegate the funding to schools and academies and implement a traded outreach service.**
- c) Allocate funding for the period April 2014 - August 2014 to the Special Schools and then implement fully traded arrangements from September 2014.**

**5 Funding of Behaviour Support Services (Pages 23 - 32)**

Richard Webb, Finance Manager will present the attached report.

**RECOMMENDED that:**

**Primary School Forum Members consider and approve one of the following options for 2014-15:**

- a) De-delegate funding from maintained schools for behaviour support services to central control.**
- b) Implement a fully traded behaviour support service.**
- c) De-delegate funding from maintained schools for the period April 2014 - August 2014 and implement a fully traded behaviour support service from September 2014.**

**Secondary School Forum Members consider and approve one of the following options for 2014-15:**

- a) De-delegate funding from maintained schools for behaviour support services to central control.**
- b) Implement a fully traded behaviour support service.**
- c) De-delegate funding from maintained schools for the period April 2014 - August 2014 and implement a fully traded behaviour support service from September 2014.**

**6 School Funding Reform 2014-15 (Pages 33 - 54)**

**Richard Webb, Finance Manager will present the attached report.**

**RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum:**

- a) Approve by phase, the proposed treatment of the central expenditure items detailed in the table at paragraph 4.4.\***
- b) Note the proposal to establish a contingency fund in 2014 - 15 as set out in paragraphs 4.5 and 4.6.**
- c) Agree to the proposed treatment of the centrally retained expenditure budgets as set out in paragraphs 4.7 to 4.9.**
- d) Note the consultation document issued to schools in Appendix 2 and that responses to the consultation document will be reported to Schools Forum at the meeting on 23 October 2013.**

- Note: only School Members by phase can vote on this item.**

**7 Craneswater Annex (Pages 55 - 58)**

**Richard Harvey, Education Officer will present the attached report.**

**RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum:**

- a) Approve the establishment of a Resourced Unit with 6 places, which will be managed by Mary Rose School in the Craneswater Annex.**
- b) Approve the Element 3 'top up rate of '£25,448' for pupils places in the Resourced Unit.**
- c) Note that the funding for 2013/14 will be identified from within the high needs block and acknowledges that a sustainable funding source will need to be identified for 2014/15 onwards; which may require reallocation of funding from other areas within the DSG.**

**8 Any Other Business.**

**9 Dates of Future Meetings.**

23 October 2013  
18 December 2013  
15 January 2014