

NOTICE OF MEETING

SCHOOLS FORUM

WEDNESDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2018 AT 4.30PM

CONFERENCE ROOM A, SECOND FLOOR, THE CIVIC OFFICES

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Membership

Schools Members

Two head teacher representatives - primary phase

One head teacher representative - secondary phase

One head teacher representative - special phase

Four academy representatives - primary proprietor

Five academy representatives - secondary proprietor

One academy representative - special proprietor

One governor - primary phase

One governor - secondary phase

Non School Members

Four Councillors (one from each political groups)

One 16-19 Education Providers representative

One Early Years Providers representative

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

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A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Interest**
- 3 Membership Changes.**
- 4 Minutes and matters arising from the previous meeting held on 11 July 2018. (Pages 5 - 8)**

RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum agree the attached minutes.

5 School Funding Arrangements 2019-20 (Pages 9 - 24)

Purpose.

The purpose of this report is to provide the Schools Forum with an update on the latest developments in respect of the future school funding arrangements for 2018-29 onwards.

RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum:

Note the Department for Education's proposed changes to school revenue funding arrangements for 2019-20 as set out in this report.

Endorse the proposals for implementing the funding formula arrangements locally as set out in this report; in particular:

- **Schools block will remain intact as set out in paragraph 4.3;**
- **Minimum per pupil funding levels will be implemented at the recommended rates as set out in paragraph 4.6;**
- **To keep those unit values which do not already match the NFF rates under review and amend if necessary, following confirmation of the overall funding allocation as set out in paragraph 4.9;**
- **The criteria for allocating growth funding will reviewed in the spring term as set out in paragraph 5.3;**
- **The disapplication requests as set out in section 6.**

6 Recommendations from the SEND Strategic Review relating to managing the spend within the High Needs Block of the Dedicated Schools Grant (Pages 25 - 56)

Purpose

To inform Schools Forum of the recommendations arising from the SEND Strategic Review relating to managing the spend within the High Needs Block and the actions that have been taken in response to this in order to manage these pressures.

RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum:

- 1. Notes the recommendations that have been made as a result of the SEND Strategic Review (as set out in Appendix I).**
- 2. Endorses the actions that are being implemented in response to these recommendations (as set out in Section 4).**
- 3. Endorses the proposals to manage the spend within the High Needs Block for 2019-20 (as set out in Section 5).**

7 Dedicated Schools Grant 2018-19 quarter one budget monitoring. (Pages 57 - 64)

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to inform Schools Forum of the projected revenue expenditure of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for the current financial year 2018-19 as at the end of June 2018.

RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum note the forecast year-end budget position for the Dedicated Schools Grant as at 30 June 2018, together with the associated explanations contained within this report.

8 Schools Block Funding Formula 2018-19 benchmarking. (Pages 65 - 100)

Purpose.

To inform the Schools Forum of the national picture regarding the 2018-19 funding formula factor values. The DfE report has been annotated to show the Portsmouth funding formula factor values and the National Fair Funding formula factor values for Primary and Secondary schools.

RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum note the contents of the report.

9 Any other business.

Future Meetings.

28 November

16 January

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