

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY, 16 DECEMBER 2020 AT 4.00 PM

VIRTUAL REMOTE MEETING

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Councillor Judith Smyth

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A G E N D A

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests**
- 3 School Funding Arrangements 2021-22 (Pages 5 - 52)**

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Cabinet Member with an update on the latest developments in respect of the school revenue funding arrangements for the financial year 2021-22 onwards.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Note the Department for Education's proposed changes to High Needs Block revenue funding arrangements for 2021-22 as set out in this report.**
- 2. Approve the funding arrangements for Maintained and Academy Special Schools and Independent Special Schools in relation to the Teachers Pay Grant, Teachers Pension Employer Contribution Grant and the Supplementary Grants from April 2021, as set out in Table 1.**
- 3. Note the responses from schools with regards to the:**
 - briefing regarding the proposed changes to the school funding arrangements and the mainstream Education Health and Care Plan banding**
 - consultation regarding the proposed carry forward of the Growth Fund balances for the same use in future years.**

As set out in section 6 and Appendix 2.

- 4. Approve the proposed carry forward of Growth Fund balances for the same use in future years as set out in Section 6.**
- 5. Approve the proposed hourly rates to Early Years providers for 2021-22 as set out in section 7 and Table 4.**

4 School Modernisation and Sufficiency Programme Update (Pages 53 - 58)

Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the progress of:

- Urgent school condition projects
- Mainstream school sufficiency schemes aimed at increasing school place capacity within the city
- Special school sufficiency schemes aimed at ensuring that schools can take children with more complex learning needs.

Recommendations

- 1. It is recommended that the Cabinet Member notes the progress on the school modernisation "urgent condition" projects, the secondary school sufficiency projects and the special school sufficiency projects.**
- 2. It is recommended that the schemes agreed with the Lead Member since the last report are formally approved.**

5 Quarter 2 Children, Families and Education Portfolio Budget Monitoring (Pages 59 - 66)

Purpose

To inform the Cabinet Member of the projected revenue expenditure within the portfolio cash limit and capital programme for the current financial year 2020/21. This report sets out the budget position and contributing factors to the projected spend within the portfolio as at the end of September 2020.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Notes the Children, Families and Education Portfolio forecast revenue and capital budget positions, as at the end of September 2020, together with the variance and pressure explanations.**
- 2. Approves the proposed Education capital scheme budget virements to realign the budgets in-line with the capital scheme changes as set out in the Schools Modernisation Programme report and section 6 of this report.**

6 2020-21 Early Years Providers Covid-19 Additional Grant (Pages 67 - 82)

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Cabinet Member to pay early years providers additional funding in the form of a one off grant in order to support the sustainability of the market. This would apply to providers who offered funded early years provision for two, three and four years old during the first national coronavirus lockdown.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Approves the grant values as set out in section 4.3 to be paid in the autumn term 2020.**
- 2. Notes that a further review of the Dedicated Schools Grant Early Years block funding and expenditure will be undertaken in quarter four of the 2020-21 financial year, in relation to a potential further grant payment in the spring term 2021 as set out in section 8.2.**

7 Quarter 2 Dedicated Schools Grant Budget Monitoring (Pages 83 - 90)

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to inform the Cabinet Member of the projected revenue expenditure of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for the current financial year 2020-21 as at the end of September 2020.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Cabinet Member:

- 1. Notes the forecast year-end budget position for the Dedicated Schools Grant as at 30 September 2020, together with the associated explanations contained within this report.**

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