

NOTICE OF MEETING

SCHOOLS FORUM

WEDNESDAY, 24 MAY 2023 AT 4.30PM

VIRTUAL REMOTE MEETING

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Public health guidance for staff and the public due to seasonal coughs, colds and viruses, including Covid-19

- Following the government announcement 'Living with Covid-19' made on 21 February 2022 and the end of universal free testing from 1 April 2022, attendees are no longer required to undertake any asymptomatic/ lateral flow test within 48 hours of the meeting; however, we still encourage attendees to follow the public health precautions we have followed over the last two years to protect themselves and others including vaccination and taking a lateral flow test should they wish.
- We strongly recommend that attendees should be double vaccinated and have received any boosters they are eligible for.
- If unwell we encourage you not to attend the meeting but to stay at home. Updated government guidance from 1 April 2022 advises people with a respiratory infection, a high temperature and who feel unwell, to stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. From 1 April 2022, anyone with a positive Covid-19 test result is still being advised to follow this guidance for five days, which is the period when you are most infectious.
- We encourage those attendees with an underlying health condition to wear a face covering while moving around crowded areas of the Guildhall.
- Although not a legal requirement, attendees are strongly encouraged to keep a social distance and take opportunities to prevent the spread of infection by following the 'hands, face, space' and 'catch it, kill it, bin it' advice that protects us from coughs, colds and winter viruses, including Covid-19.
- Hand sanitiser is provided at the entrance and throughout the Guildhall. All attendees are encouraged to make use of hand sanitiser on entry to the Guildhall.
- Those not participating in the meeting and wish to view proceedings are encouraged to do so remotely via the livestream link.

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).

Please note that the agenda, minutes and non-exempt reports are available to view online on the Portsmouth City Council website: www.portsmouth.gov.uk

AGENDA

- 1 **Apologies**
- 2 **Declarations of Interest**
- 3 **Membership Update.**
- 4 **Matters Arising.**
- 5 **Minutes of the meeting held on 9 February 2023 (Pages 5 - 8)**
RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8 February 2023 be agreed as a correct record.
- 6 **Schools Forum Constitution 2023-24 (Pages 9 - 26)**
Purpose.
The purpose of this report is to seek Schools Forum approval to retain the existing constitution attached at Appendix A. The report seeks to update the Schools Forum on the current composition which continues to provide for the appropriate representation between maintained schools and academies within the city.
RECOMMENDED that that Schools Forum retain the current constitution attached at Appendix A which took effect from 25 May 2021.

7 Scheme for financing schools (Pages 27 - 102)

Purpose.

This report outlines the proposed changes to the Scheme for Financing Schools which reflects the revisions to the scheme as outlined in the guidance issued by the Department for Education (DfE).

RECOMMENDED that Schools Forum members representing maintained schools, approve the revised 'Scheme for Financing Schools', attached at Appendix 1, to come into force on 25 May 2023.

8 Dedicated Schools Grant 2022-23 Quarter 3 Budget Monitoring (Pages 103 - 108)

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 2022-23 as at the end of December 2022.

RECOMMENDED that the Schools Forum notes the forecast year end budget position for the Dedicated Schools Grant as at 31 December 2022, together with the associated explanations contained within this report.

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