



NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

THURSDAY, 18 JANUARY 2024 AT 5.00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBER - THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Councillor Suzy Horton (Liberal Democrat)

Group Spokespersons

Councillor Ryan Brent, Conservative

Councillor Chris Dike, Portsmouth Independents Party

Councillor George Fielding, Labour

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Members' Interests**
- 3 School Funding Arrangements 2024/25 (Pages 5 - 30)**
Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to:

- Seek endorsement of the final stage submission to the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) by 22 January 2024 of the 2024-25 mainstream school revenue funding pro-forma for the Primary and Secondary Phases.
- Inform the Cabinet Member of the progress towards the initial determination of the schools budget (including individual schools budgets for 2024-25) and to seek the necessary approvals and endorsements required.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet Member:

- 1) Approves the proposed changes to the mainstream schools revenue funding arrangements as set out in Section 5 and Appendix 2.**
- 2) Approves the school revenue funding pro-forma at Appendix 3 for submission to the ESFA on 22 January 2024.**
- 3) Approves the use of the carry forward on the Schools Specific Contingency for the same purpose in 2024-25 as set out in Section 6.**
- 4) Endorses the de-delegated unit values in relation to the School Improvement, Monitoring and Brokerage Grant of £10.42 for each Primary pupil.**
- 5) Approves the budget to be held centrally for the payment of central licences negotiated nationally for all schools by the Secretary of State.**
- 6) Endorses the use of the 2023-24 underspend on the Growth Fund for use for the same purpose in 2024-25.**
- 7) Endorses the Growth Fund and the proposed increase to the Lump Sum payments for primary and secondary schools, specifically:**
 - i) Primary - £138,300**
 - ii) Secondary - £173,130.**
- 8) Endorses the budgets to be held centrally specifically as set out in Appendix 1:**
 - i) Schools Forum**
 - ii) Admissions**
 - iii) Duties retained by the local authority for all schools**
 - iv) Centrally employed Teachers' pay and pensions grants.**
- 9) Approves the place numbers for Special Schools, Inclusion Centres and Alternative Provision Settings as set out in Section 9 and Appendix 4 of the report.**

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