

**EDUCATION, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE  
SCRUTINY PANEL**

**SCOPING DOCUMENT**

**PROPOSED TITLE:**

**A REVIEW INTO PUPIL PREMIUM IN PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL SCHOOLS**

**1. Background**

The aim of this review is to investigate how schools are using and reporting Pupil Premium monies and whether the council can identify and disseminate any good practice. It is also intended to use the process to ensure that all schools are sharing information about Pupil Premium appropriately.

**2. Objectives of the Inquiry**

- To consider the impact following the introduction of pupil premium.
- To gain an insight into how pupil premium is currently being used in Portsmouth City Council schools.
- To review the effectiveness of the reporting process by schools.
- To review the local authority's role in supporting schools with pupil premium.
- To establish the amount of pupil premium grant each school in Portsmouth receives.
- To establish the level of awareness among school governors on the use of the pupil premium grant in their schools.
- To identify and share best practice.
- To make recommendations for improvement where appropriate.

**3. Written or verbal evidence to be heard from witnesses from the following:**

- Head teachers who attended the pupil premium conference earlier this year.
- Chairs of governors
- Julien Kramer, Interim Head of Education
- Richard Webb - Finance Manager (Education)
- Education officers (Marc Harder and members of his team, Emma Kelsall for evidence on the governors awareness of pupil premium)
- Kelly Nash, (Strategy) - background information.
- Fiona Calderbank - Head of Milton Cross School and lead secondary head for pupil premium.

#### **4. Methodology and work plan**

Initial meeting to approve scoping document and receive written evidence from the Strategy team and Richard Webb giving a background and context of pupil premium.

Followed by 2-3 formal meetings with a selection of witnesses from the above list.

#### **Online research by the panel**

Online research to take place for each school to discover what information on they are publishing?

#### **5. Background documents**

Overview and context of pupil premium in Portsmouth - Kelly Nash/Richard Webb.

Ofsted report. The Pupil Premium, Analysis and Challenge Tools for Schools (January 2013)

Ofsted report The Pupil Premium - How schools are using the Pupil Premium funding to raise achievement for disadvantaged pupils (September 2012)

Ofsted report - How Schools are Spending the Funding Successfully to Maximise Achievement.