

Schools Forum
Wednesday, 15 March 2017 at 8.00 am
VENUE: Committee Room 1 - City Hall, Bradford

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The City Solicitor will report the names of alternate Members who are attending the meeting in place of appointed Members.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

To receive disclosures of interests from Members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest.

An interest must also be disclosed in the meeting when it only becomes apparent to the member during the meeting.

3. MINUTES OF 7 DECEMBER 2016, 11 & 18 JANUARY 2017 & MATTERS ARISING 1 - 34

Recommended –

That the minutes of the meetings held on 7 December 2016 and 11, 18 January 2017 be signed as correct records (previously circulated).

(Asad Shah – 01274 432280)



4. MATTERS RAISED BY SCHOOLS

Members will be asked to consider any issues raised by schools.

5. STANDING ITEM - DSG GROWTH FUND ALLOCATIONS (i)

There are no new allocations for consideration at this meeting.

6. NATIONAL FUNDING FORMULA - CONSULTATION RESPONSE (a) 35 - 86

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document HF**, which provides an update on National Funding Formula news and which asks the Schools Forum to consider its response to the DfE's 2nd stage of consultation, which closes on 22 March 2017. A response drafted by the Business Advisor (Schools) is presented with this report.

Recommended –

The Schools Forum is asked to consider and agree its response to the DfE's 2nd stage of consultation on National Funding Formula (to be submitted by 22 March).

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

7. UPDATE ON MATTERS CONCERNING THE 2017/18 DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT (i) 87 - 90

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document HG**, which provides an update on a number of matters related to the 2017/18 Dedicated Schools Grant.

Recommended –

The Schools Forum is asked to consider and to note the information provided in the report.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

8. MATTERS CONCERNING SCHOOL AND ACADEMY BUDGETS (i) 91 - 94

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document HH**, which provides an update on matters related to school and academy budgets. In particular, this report responds to the request made by Members at the last meeting for an interim update on the anticipated volume of conversions of maintained schools to academy status in Bradford and the likelihood of liabilities resulting from the conversion of schools holding deficit budgets.



Recommended –

The Schools Forum is asked to consider and to note the information provided in the report.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

9. OTHER SCHOOLS FORUM STANDING ITEMS (i)

Updates on the following Forum standing items will be provided verbally where these have not been covered within other agenda items:

- Update from the Schools Financial Performance Group (SFPG)
- Update from the Early Years Working Group (EYWG)
- Update from the Formula Funding Working Group (FFWG)
- Update on Primary School Places
- Update on Academies & Free Schools

Recommended –

The Forum is asked to note the information provided.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (AOB) / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Members will be asked for any additional items of business, for consideration at a future meeting.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Please see the published schedule of meetings – Wednesday 17 May 2017.

(a) Denotes an item for action

(i) Denotes an item for information

