

Schools Forum
Wednesday, 6 December 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 18 OCTOBER 2017 & MATTERS ARISING Minutes 1 - 30

Recommended –

That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 October 2017 be signed as a correct record (previously circulated).

4. MATTERS RAISED BY SCHOOLS

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

5. **STANDING ITEM - DSG GROWTH FUND ALLOCATIONS (a)**

There are no new allocations for consideration at this meeting.

6. **THE AUTUMN SPENDING REVIEW & NATIONAL FUNDING FORMULA (i)**

An update will be given verbally on any further announcements related to the National Funding Formula.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

7. **2017/18 DSG SPENDING POSITION AND ONE OFF MONIES (i)** 31 - 38

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document IA**, which updates members on the forecasted spending positions of High Needs Block and centrally managed and de-delegated funds held within the DSG in 2017/18. This document gives Members a view of the estimated value of one off monies that will be available to add to the 2018/19 DSG Headroom and a view of the uses of these monies.

Recommended –

Members are asked to consider whether sufficient information has been provided to enable final recommendations to be made on 10 January 2018 on the use of one off monies.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

8. **2018/19 DSG UPDATE (i)** 39 - 44

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document IB**, which provides a forecast of the anticipated DSG cost pressures position in the 2018/19 financial year. Please note that any further information on the DSG for 2018/19 that may be announced by Government before 6 December will be presented verbally at the meeting.

Recommended –

Members are asked to consider the information presented in the report, in advance of making final recommendations on 10 January 2018.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

9. **CONSULTATION OUTCOMES - PRIMARY AND SECONDARY FORMULAE (i)** 45 - 56



The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document IC**, which asks Members to consider the outcomes of the consultation, which was agreed at the last meeting. The report also includes further information on the options for the Schools Block headroom. Please note that an appendix to Document IC will be tabled at the meeting as it contains the outcome of a consultation period, which concludes on 4 December.

Recommended –

The Forum is asked to consider the outcomes of the consultation and whether any of the proposals should be changed in the light of responses. Schools Members will be asked to make final recommendations on the structure of the formulae, and the criteria for the allocation of Schools Block funds, on 10 January 2018. As such, Members are asked to consider whether sufficient information has now been provided to enable these final recommendations to be made.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

10. CONSULTATION OUTCOMES - EARLY YEARS SINGLE FUNDING FORMULA 2018/19 (i) 57 - 62

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document ID**, which asks Members to consider the outcomes of the consultation on the 2018/19 Early Years Single Funding Formula.

Recommended –

The Forum is asked to consider the outcomes of the consultation and whether any of the proposals should be changed in the light of responses. Members will be asked to make final recommendations on the structure of the formulae on 10 January 2018. As such, Members are asked to consider whether sufficient information has now been provided to enable these final recommendations to be made.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

11. CONSULTATION OUTCOMES - FUNDING HIGH NEEDS 2018/19 (i) 63 - 70

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document IE**, which asks Forum Members to consider the outcomes of the consultation on the 2018/19 High Needs Funding Model and the planned number of high needs places to be commissioned by the Authority. Document IE also gives an update on the position of other strategic high needs funding matters. This update is provided in advance of asking Members to make final recommendations on 10 January 2018.



Recommended –

The Forum is asked to consider the outcomes of the consultation and whether any of the proposals should be changed in the light of responses. Members will be asked to make final recommendations on the structure of the formulae on 10 January 2018. As such, Members are asked to consider whether sufficient information has now been provided to enable these final recommendations to be made.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

12. INDICATIVE BUDGETS 2018/19 PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND ACADEMIES (i) 71 - 80

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document IF**, which provides members with updated indicative modelling of Primary & Secondary delegated budget shares in 2018/19, using the pupil numbers taken from the October 2017 Census. This modelling is tabled only for information at this stage, prior to asking Members to make final recommendations on 10 January 2018.

Recommended –

The Forum is asked to note the Primary and Secondary modelling information. A further update will be provided on 10 January, when Forum Members will be asked to make final recommendations on the values of funding allocated via each formula factor. Members are asked to consider whether sufficient information has been provided to enable final recommendations to be taken on 10 January 2018 on the matters presented in this report.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

13. CENTRAL SCHOOLS, EARLY YEARS & DE-DELEGATED SCHOOLS BLOCK FUNDS (i) 81 - 98

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a follow up report, **Document IG**, which asks Forum Members to further consider the position of the funding of Schools and Early Years Block central and de-delegated items from the DSG in 2018/19, following the initial discussion in the meeting of 18 October 2017

Recommended –

Members are asked to note the information and to consider whether and further information is needed to enable final recommendations and decisions to be taken on 10 January 2018



on the funding of centrally managed and de-delegated Early Years, Schools and Central Schools Block items in 2018/19.

The Forum is asked for feedback specifically on Trade Union Facilities Time and the proposal for the de-delegation from the primary phase for behaviour support.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

14. 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:

- Schools Forum membership
- Update from the Schools Financial Performance Group (SFPG)
- Update on School / Academy Budgets
- 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)

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Please see the published schedule of meetings – the next Forum meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 10 January 2018.

(a) Denotes an item for action

(i) Denotes an item for information

