

Schools Forum
Wednesday, 14 March 2018 at 8.00 am
VENUE: Committee Room 1 - City Hall, Bradford

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Business Advisor (Schools) 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 10 JANUARY 2018 AND MATTERS ARISING (*minutes*) 1 - 22

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. LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN PUPIL PREMIUM PLUS (i)

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A report will be presented, **Document IN**, which provides the Schools Forum with analysis and further information on the allocation and impact of Pupil Premium Plus monies. This report also sets out the Authority's planned allocation of Pupil Premium Plus in 2018/19.

Recommended –

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

(Judith Kirk – 01274 431078)

7. SEMH AND SEND REVIEWS - PROGRESS UPDATE (i)

A progress report on the SEND and SEHM reviews will be presented.

Recommended –

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

(Judith Kirk – 01274 431078)

8. UPDATE ON MATTERS CONCERNING THE 2018/19 DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT (a)

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The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document IO**, which provides an update on a number of matters relating to the 2018/19 Dedicated Schools Grant. This report also includes the benefit vs. cost analysis of trade union facilities time, which the Schools Forum is requested to consider so that DSG / de-delegated funding arrangements for trade union facilities time for 2018/19 can be confirmed.

Recommended –

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

(2) The Schools Forum is asked to give its response to the benefit vs. cost analysis of trade union facilities time so that DSG / de-delegated funding arrangements for 2018/19 can be confirmed.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)



9. AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEME FOR FINANCING SCHOOLS AND LINKED DOCUMENTS (FINANCIAL REGULATIONS FOR MAINTAINED SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS) (i)

The Business Adviser (Schools) will explain the Authority's current reviews of the Scheme for Financing Schools and linked documents – the Authority's Financial Regulations for Maintained Schools and School Contract Standing Orders. The Forum is asked to note that the Authority intends shortly to publish a consultation on amendments so that proposed revised documents, alongside consultation feedback, can be presented for consideration to the Schools Forum at its meeting on 16 May 2018. The Forum is asked to note that, following the Forum's discussion and decision on 16 May, the Financial Regulations for Maintained Schools and the School Contract Standing Orders will be presented to the Authority's Governance & Audit Committee. The Authority intends to implement the agreed amendments as soon as possible following the completion of the consultation and decision making processes.

Recommended –

The School Forum is asked to note the information provided and for any immediate feedback on the review of these documents.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

10. MATTERS CONCERNING SCHOOL AND ACADEMY BUDGETS (i) 35 - 38

The Business Advisor (Schools) will present a report, **Document IP**, which provides an update on matters concerning school and academy budgets. This includes an update on the position of the conversion of maintained schools to academy status and on the anticipated cost pressures within school and academy budgets over the 2018-2021 period.

Recommended –

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

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

11. 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

The Forum is asked to note the information provided.

(Andrew Redding – 01274 432678)

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Please see the published schedule of meetings – the next Forum meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 16 May 2018.

(a) Denotes an item for action

(i) Denotes an item for information

