

Decisions of the Schools Forum on Wednesday, 11 July 2018

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Decisions

1 MATTERS ARISING AND MATTERS RAISED BY SCHOOLS

Resolved –

- (1) That the Authority contacts the schools and academies affected by the PFI benchmarks dispute to ensure that they understand the current position and timescale for resolution.**
- (2) That a ‘closed to the public’ item is added to the end of the September Schools Forum meeting to enable the Schools Forum to more closely consider matters relating to the PFI contract and the benchmarks dispute and the impact that these may have on individual schools and on the DSG.**

2 STANDING ITEM - DSG SCHOOLS BLOCK GROWTH FUND ALLOCATIONS

Resolved –

That a report is presented to a meeting in the autumn term, which enables the Schools Forum to more closely consider the Authority’s places planning strategy and the impact that falling rolls is having in certain areas of the District and the options that may be available to support schools.

3 SEMH AND SEND REVIEWS AND STRATEGY

Resolved –

- (1) That the information provided in Document IV is welcomed and be noted.**
- (2) That a letter is sent from the Schools Forum to the Department for Education (Lord Agnew), which sets out Bradford’s position on High Needs revenue and capital funding and places sufficiency and which supports the correspondence from the Local Authority to Lord Agnew on these matters.**

4 SCHOOLS FORUM MEMBERSHIP - CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Resolved –

That the established approach (email) be followed for the collection of nominations and for the election of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Schools Forum for 2018/19.

Action: Business Advisor (Schools)

5 SCHOOLS FORUM MEMBERSHIP

Resolved –

- (1) That the information presented on the School Forum's membership be noted.**
- (2) That the Authority's proposal that the Forum's membership composition as it currently stands be retain for 2018/19 be supported.**

Action: Business Advisor (Schools)

6 UPDATE ON NATIONAL FUNDING FORMULA AND DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT 2019/20

Resolved –

- (1) That the information provided in Document IX be noted.**
- (2) That Forum Members be invited to attend a 'Formula Funding Working Group' session, on Monday 1 October (8am) or Tuesday 2 October (8am) or Thursday 4 October (8am).**

7 AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHEME FOR FINANCING SCHOOLS AND LINKED DOCUMENTS (FINANCIAL REGULATIONS FOR MAINTAINED SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL CONTRACT STANDING ORDER)

Resolved –

- (1) That a consultation takes place with maintained schools on proposed revision and re-issue of the Documents set out in Document IY.**
- (2) That the period of consultation is extended to close in October rather than in September, to better enable schools to consider the proposed amendments. That the outcomes of the consultation be presented to the Schools Forum's October meeting.**

8 SCHOOLS' FINANCIAL VALUE STANDARD

Resolved –

That the information provided in Document IZ be noted.

9 FINANCIAL CLASSIFICATION OF MAINTAINED SCHOOLS 2018/19

Resolved –

That the information provided in Document JA be noted.

10 SCHOOLS FORUM STANDING ITEMS

No resolution was passed on this item.

11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No resolution was passed on this item.

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