

Decisions of the Schools Forum on Wednesday, 10 July 2019

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Decisions

1 **MATTERS ARISING**

No resolutions were made on this item.

2 **MATTERS RAISED BY SCHOOLS**

Resolved –

Regarding the letter to the Schools Forum on the shift in the way health services are being delivered in schools (with increasing demands being placed on schools and school staff to provide healthcare to pupils with complex medical needs):

- (1) The Local Authority be asked to provide further information, which enables the Schools Forum to more closely consider the matters raised and their implications (including the financial implications on schools and on the High Needs Block). That this information includes an initial response, which sets out the Authority's 'legal opinion'.
- (2) Full 'back to basics' discussions take place aimed at securing greater clarity on the respective responsibilities of schools and health services in meeting the costs of healthcare for pupils with complex medical needs.

Action: Deputy Director, Education and Learning

3 **STANDING ITEM - DSG SCHOOLS BLOCK GROWTH FUND ALLOCATIONS**

No allocations were presented and no resolutions were passed on this item.

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 2019/20.

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 2019/20 be supported.**

Action: Business Advisor (Schools)

6 SEMH AND SEND REVIEWS - PROGRESS UPDATE

Resolved –

- (1) That the information provided in the update be noted.**
- (2) That the briefing note on the development of the Primary Behaviour Centres and District PRU, tabled at the meeting, be published on Bradford Schools Online.**
- (3) That a cross-phase working party is brought together in September to discuss the options for the future development of the Primary Behaviour Centres and District PRU.**

Action: Deputy Director, Education and Learning

7 RESPONSE TO THE DFE’S CALL FOR EVIDENCE - SEND AND ALTERNATIVE PROVISION

Resolved –

That Members send to the Business Advisor (Schools) any additional comments they have on the drafted response (Document KM) by close of play Wednesday 17 July. A final draft of the Schools Forum’s response will be circulated by email to Forum Members and this response will then be submitted on the Forum’s behalf by the 31 July deadline.

Action: Business Advisor (Schools)

8 REPORT ON PFI COSTS IN SCHOOLS

Resolved –

- (1) That the Schools Forum, at this stage, notes the issues set out in the report regarding the affordability of PFI at school level.**
- (2) That the Forum continues to receive information on the development of PFI funding within the National Funding Formula as this progresses.**

Action: Business Advisor (Schools)

9 NATIONAL FUNDING FORMULA AND DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT 2020/21

Resolved –

- (1) That the information provided in Document KQ be noted.**
- (2) That Forum Members be invited to attend a ‘Formula Funding Working Group’ session, on Tuesday 1 October (8am) or Wednesday 2 October (8am) or Tuesday 8 October (8am). These sessions will enable Forum Members to consider in more detail the impact of formula funding decisions and to explore and guide the proposals for 2020/21 that are anticipated will be set out for consultation in October.**

Action: Business Advisor (Schools)

10 SCHOOLS’ FINANCIAL VALUE STANDARD

Resolved –

That the information provided in Document KR be noted.

11 FINANCIAL CLASSIFICATION OF MAINTAINED SCHOOLS 2019/20

Resolved –

That the information provided in Document KS be noted.

12 SCHOOLS FORUM STANDING ITEMS

No resolutions were made on this item.

13 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS (AOB) / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

No resolutions were made on this item.

14 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Please see the published schedule of meetings – the next Forum meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 18 September 2019.

The schedule of meetings of the Schools Forum for the 2019/20 academic year is as follows. All meeting are to be held at 8.00 am at City Hall.

- **Wednesday 18 September 2019**
- **Wednesday 16 October 2019**
- **Wednesday 4 December 2019**
- **Wednesday 8 January 2020**
- *Wednesday 15 January 2020, PROVISIONAL MEETING*
- **Wednesday 11 March 2020**
- **Wednesday 20 May 2020**
- **Wednesday 8 July 2020**

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