

Schools Forum Agenda

Thursday, 1 October 2015

4.30 pm – 6.30pm , Civic Suite - room 4

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| 3. Matters Arising | |
| 4. Annual Internal Audit Report | 6 - 12 |
| This report provides details of the auditors finding during the year. | |
| 5. Annual Health and Safety Report | 13 - 18 |
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| 6. Deferred Admissions | 19 - 22 |
| Late in the Summer Term an email consultation was undertaken amongst Forum members on Deferred Admissions. The report looked at the financial consequences for schools of parents exercising their right to defer admission until their child reaches compulsory schools age. It then considered whether financial support should be provided. A number of members voted on the paper but not enough to make a quorate decision. The paper is now brought back to the Forum. | |
| 7. National Funding Formula | 23 - 25 |
| The Conservative Party manifesto for the 2015 general election stated that the party would “make school funding fairer”. Since the election The Education Secretary has stated that proposals will be brought forward and consulted on, although the changes will not be implemented by 2016-17. The most likely scenario is any proposals will be implemented in 2017-18 and this paper looks at the possible impact on Lewisham. | |

8. ISOS High Needs Funding Report 26 - 34

The Department for Education (DfE) last year commissioned research into High Needs funding arrangements and practices. The research team were asked to suggest ways in which it might be improved. This report looks at those findings and assesses the possible impact on Lewisham.

9. Financial Update & Budget Monitoring 35 - 40

This report updates members on the latest financial events and looks at the monitoring position.

10. Any Other Business

Dates of Future Meetings

10 December 2015
4 February 2016 (provisional)
17 March 2016

All meetings 4.30 to 6.30