Management support for capital builds

Since 2007/08 this funding has supported the additional costs to schools associated with the planning and delivery of major capital projects, beyond those that can be accommodated through a school's own budgets.

In the large majority of schools eligible to be considered for additional funding, the core of the support has been funding for additional management time, usually a 0.5 member of the senior leadership team. This has proved invaluable in helping schools to continue to focus on their core business – learning and teaching – whilst undertaking the onerous and complex operations involved in planning and delivering a major capital project. Whilst there is a significant amount of management time given by contractors and the LA, projects cannot be delivered at the right quality without full engagement of school management and governance.

In addition, some schools, in particular those that require a site decant, incur additional costs which can not be met from their budgets. Examples of this are bussing costs and the additional transport and booking costs which have been incurred by schools which have had to rearrange their sports provision. This funding has enabled these sorts of additional costs to be met.

The schools that will have benefitted from this funding over the last two years are as follows (2014-15 subject to confirmation):

	2014-15	2013-4
	£000	£000
Adamsrill Primary	30	35
Beecroft Garden Primary	20.5	0
Brindishe Green Primary	3	0
Coopers Lane Primary	50.8	20.5
Edmund Waller Primary	0	10
Forster Park Primary	0*	35
Haseltine Primary	21	0
Holbeach Primary	26.8*	5
John Ball Primary	47.2	17.5
John Stainer Primary	40.8	29.2
Rushey Green Primary	30	35
Sir Francis Drake Primary	30	17.5
St George's CE Primary	20.4	0
Trinity Primary	0	32.3
Sydenham	50.5	56.5
Prendergast Ladywell Fields	51	35
Drumbeat Brockley Special	0	17.5
Brent Knoll Special	2.7	35
Total	425	381

^{*} These schools are receiving other school-managed support from central services

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The budget for 2013/14 was £450K, reduced in 2014/15 to £425K.

The following schools would be eligible for support for all or part of 2015/16 because of ongoing major capital projects:

	Planned Completion Date
Adamsrill	2015
Coopers Lane	2015
John Ball	2015
John Stainer	2015
Prendergast Ladywell Fields	2015
Sir Francis Drake	2015
Holbeach	2016
St George's	2016
Sydenham	2016

A number of other schools will also have major capital builds involving delivery and/or design during 2015/16, subject to funding, governor approval and mayoral approval. Funding requirements are forecast and predicted to be at the same level as 2014/15 when the total budget is likely to be spent.