

# Schools Forum Agenda

Thursday, 16 January 2020

**4.30 pm – 6.30pm** , Civic Suite, Committee Room 2, Catford Road, SE6 4RU  
Lewisham Town Hall  
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## Dates of Future Meetings

9<sup>th</sup> July 2020  
15<sup>th</sup> October 2020  
10<sup>th</sup> December 2020  
21<sup>st</sup> January 2021 (subject to change dependent on DfE timelines)

All meetings will be held between 16.30 to 18.30

## Sub Group meetings

High Needs Sub Group
TBC

Report Reference	Page reference	Report Title	Purpose of Document	Recommendation	Schools Forum Decision
Item 1		Apologies and Acceptance of Apologies	Note any apologies		
Item 2		Declaration of interests	Request for any declaration		
Item 3	1 to 10	Draft Minutes of the Meeting	For accuracy		
Item 4	1 to 10	Matters arising	Discussion of actions not on agenda		Secondary Heads to consider
		Secondary Head Reps		Mark Phillips re-elected as a Secondary School Headteacher representative.	Noted
Item 5	10 - 13	Scheme for Financing Schools - Consultation Feedback	The purpose of this report is to update Schools Forum, with regards to the 202/21 Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG). The report will further propose the individual schools budget (ISB) in line with the mandate approved by Forum at its meeting in December 2019. SF is asked to support the detailed recommendatiosn as outlined in section 1.6-1.11 of the report.	1.8 The wording set out in the draft SfVS concerned with section 11.10 Redundancy. 1.9 The wording set out in the draft SfVS concerned with section 2.1.3 Requirement on schools to provide statutory information. Tabled Paper - revised wording set out in the draft SfVS section 1.5 (para 1.11) Delegation of Powers to the Headteacher.	Agreed. Agreed. Agreed.
Item 6	14 - 26	Dedicated Schools Grant 2020/21 Funding Settlement	The purpose of this report is to confirm the final funding settlement advised by the DfE in December 2019 and the principles agreed with Schools Forum at its December 2019 meeting.	1.14 Increase in funding net of £2.486m as set out in Table 2. 1.15 Variance as set out in Table 3 noting the funding receivable for primary age pupils at £5125.27 and for secondary age pupils at £6859.10 which is in line with the info presented in December. 1.15 Overall reduction in pupil numbers of a net 307. 1.20 Two options for APT submission with the difference being the treatment of growth being either a stand alone budget or part of the APT. 1.22 Option 2 for the APT submission. 1.22 MFG uplift of 1.84%. 1.22 Total cost of £209.305. 1.22 A balance of £631,714 of which £200k to remian in Growth Fund, £200k to support errors & ommisions as the APT is not final until DfE ratification leaing a residual £230k. Lewisham is seeking a disapplication from the DfE to marginally increase the MFG rate, if this is not known by the Schools Forum date it will be necessary to transfer the funds to the High Needs Block with a view to support schools. 1.22 The de-delegation as detailed in the report and noted the requirement for funds to support DfE licence fees. 1.41 Net reduction of £0.791m to be applied to the High Needs Block contribution. 1.36 An overall increase of £4.213m. 1.36 Derived at an increase of £4.713m as advised to Schools Forum in December, being offset with an overall reduction in pupil numbers in special school and independent provision of £0.494m. 1.36 Response to the Disapplicaiton request for the transfers from Revenue to Capital is still awaiting decision from DfE 1.36 Assuming DfE supports the transfer a total of £1.415m increase will remain to support SEN spend.  1.41 Net reduction of £0.791m to be applied to the High Needs Block contribution. 1.36 An overall increase of £4.213m. 1.36 Derived at an increase of £4.713m as advised to Schools Forum in December, being offset with an overall reduction in pupil numbers in special school and independent provision of £0.494m. 1.36 Response to the Disapplicaiton request for the transfers from Revenue to Capital is still awaiting decision from DfE 1.36 Assuming DfE supports the transfer a total of £1.415m increase will remain to support SEN spend.	Noted. Noted. Noted. Agreed. Agreed. Agreed. Agreed. Agreed. Noted. Noted. Noted. Noted. Noted. Noted.
Item 6 (cont)	14 - 26	Dedicated Schools Grant 2020/21 Funding Settlement	The purpose of this report is to confirm the final funding settlement advised by the DfE in December 2019 and the principles agreed with Schools Forum at its December 2019 meeting.	1.42 Confirmation of the increase of 8p in each 2 year old and 3 year old funding. 1.42 Figures remain provisional until the January 2020 and January 2021 figures are finalised. 1.42 The inclusion fund for 2020/21 is now anticipated to be circa £790K. 1.42 Approve the Early Tears 3 & 4 local formula as illustrated in table 7. 1.44 Approve the distribution of the Early Years 2 year old increase.	Noted. Noted. Noted. Agreed.
Item 7		AOB			None.