

Schools Forum Agenda

Thursday, 14 December 2023

4.30pm – 6.30pm , Virtual - Microsoft Teams

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Item	Pages
1. Apologies and Acceptance of Apologies	
To include any apologies of absence, any new member appointments.	
2. Declaration of Interests	
3. Election of Vice-Chair	
Nominations and vote.	
4. Minutes of the Meeting 19 October 2023	1 - 8
5. Matters Arising	
6. Dedicated Schools Grant 2024/25	9 - 16
Purpose of the report is to discuss a mandate for developing the 2024/25 Schools funding formula. This is a standard report to forum to manage in principle agreements once the settlement is announced (expected circa 20 th December 2023).	
7. Application of the Quality Factor of Early Years Funding Block 2023/24	17 - 22
The purpose of the report is to discuss and agree the method on how to distribute the quality factor. It is largely a repeat of the report presented at forum in October, updated for additional option requested by the nursery schools representative.	
8. Additional Funding for Schools in Deficit	23 - 25
Purpose of the report is to discuss the potential criteria on which to allocate funding to support maintained schools in financial difficulty (2023 to 2024).	
9. High Needs Block	
Verbal update including presentation to Forum regarding the grant submission to the DfE for potential £1M to support actions	

anticipated to support the reduction of cost to the HNB.

10. Any Other Business

Future meetings

18 January 2024 (provisional date, subject to DfE)

All meetings will be held between 16.30 and 18.30 and virtually

Sub Group meetings

High Needs Sub Group

11 January 2024
