

LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for Education, Councillor Stephen Wells has made the following executive decision:

USE OF UNSPENT DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT

Reference Report:

Use of Unspent Dedicated Schools Grant

Decision:

That the proposed use of unspent Dedicated Schools Grant be agreed, subject to any further comments from the Schools' Forum on 15th January 2015.

Reasons:

The Local Authority carried forward a total of £8.946m of Dedicated Schools Grant to 2014/15 from underspends of £1.697m, £2.984m and £4.265m in the respective financial years 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14.

The Local Authority has developed a number of proposals for the use of this unspent Dedicated Schools Grant. These comprise the distribution to schools as a one-off exceptional payment for which a mechanism would have to be agreed with the Department for Education, the creation of a Growth Fund to support a rate increase for early years providers and an increase in bulge class funding, and the purchase and contribution to the refurbishment of Beacon House.

The Schools' Forum would consider these proposals at its meeting on 15th January 2015.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Education Budget Sub-Committee on 6th January 2015 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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Date of Decision: 9 January 2015
Implementation Date (subject to call-in): 16 January 2015
Decision Reference: EDD15003