

Decision Maker: **Schools Forum**

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TITLE: **2013/14 FUNDING REVIEW – OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION WITH SCHOOLS**

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Chief Officer: Assistant Director (Education)

Ward: Boroughwide

1. Reason for report

- 1.1 This report provides details of the outcome of consultation with schools and recommends the final version of the funding formula to be submitted to the DfE.
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2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 2.1 **The Schools Forum is asked to consider the outcome of consultation and the Assistant Directors recommendation that the principles behind version 12 should be used for the 2013/14 Funding Formula**
- 2.2 **The Schools Forum is also asked to make the final decisions with regard to de-delegation for maintained primary schools based on the outcome of the consultation.**

3. COMMENTARY

- 3.1 Following on from the Schools Forum Meeting, as agreed the LA released four funding models to all schools as part of the consultation on the proposed funding formula for 2013/14. The four models were based on the following principles:

Version 6
73 Points at EYFSP for Primary Attainment
Lump Sum £150,000
Allocations for EAL/Attainment/Deprivation based on current funding blocks

Version 8
73 Points at EYFSP for Primary Attainment
Lump Sum £150,000
Allocations for EAL/Attainment/Deprivation based on fixed amount for all pupils

Version 10
73 Points at EYFSP for Primary Attainment
Lump Sum £180,000
Allocations for EAL/Attainment/Deprivation based on current funding blocks

Version 12
73 Points at EYFSP for Primary Attainment
Lump Sum £180,000
Allocations for EAL/Attainment/Deprivation based on fixed amount for all pupils

- 3.2 Schools were also consulted again on de-delegation for maintained primary schools to allow Schools Forum members to make a final decision on these areas.
- 3.3 The LA received 38 consultation responses, being 33 from Primary Schools, 1 from a Special School and 4 from Secondary Schools. However, included within the Primary responses were 6 individual responses from 1 school and 3 from another school. In order to ensure that the results were considered on a fair and equitable basis, only two responses have been included from each school. Whilst there was a slightly higher number of responses from 1fe schools, there was a fair representation of responses from all sizes of schools. Within the responses, a number of schools did not answer particular questions, or ticked both boxes for some questions, or ticked a particular version that did not correlate to their earlier answers.
- 3.4 Details of the consultation responses can be seen at appendix 1. With regard to the funding formula, based on these responses, the Assistant Director for Education is recommending version 12 on the basis that a larger number of schools opted for £180,000 as the lump sum and fixed amounts for the values for deprivation, attainment and EAL. Whilst this would appear to go against the model opted for by most schools, it is clear from the consultation responses that the options selected did not necessarily agree to the model selected. The LA believes that £180,000 is an appropriate lump sum and also feels that having fixed amounts for these factors will make it easier to calculate the notional SEN for each school and Academy.
- 3.5 Using their notional SEN budget, mainstream schools and Academies will be expected to:
- (a) meet the needs of pupils with low-cost, high-incidence SEN; and
 - (b) contribute, up to a certain level set by the local authority, towards, the costs of provision for pupils with high needs (including those with high-cost, low-incidence SEN).

- 3.6 With regard to the de-delegation, the relevant members of the Schools Forum are asked to vote on behalf of the maintained primary schools. With regard to the two areas where schools appear to not be in favour of de-delegation, the Schools Forum are reminded that as part of the initial consultation, this funding has been included in the current models and that the Ethnic minority funding has been delegated to schools 100 % through the EAL factor and that the Behaviour Service funding has been allocated 10% AWPU, 45% deprivation and 45% attainment. It is recommended that schools will be reminded of this and advised that they will not see a separate allocation as part of the funding formula.
- 3.7 For areas where de-delegation is agreed, the LA must be able to clearly demonstrate how the funding will be de-delegated eg £10 per fsm pupil for free school meal eligibility.
- 3.8 Attached at **Appendix 2** is a copy of the draft proforma to be completed and returned to the DfE by 31 October. The actual proforma provided by the LA has to be completed online and will be populated with the appropriate data once the funding model has been agreed.
- 3.9 The Schools Forum is asked to discuss the outcome of consultation and to recommend which funding model should be adopted.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy, Legal, Financial and Personnel Implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	

ANALYSIS OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Primary	28 responses
Special	1 response
Secondary	4 responses

Funding Formula

Q1 Do you support the Schools Forum proposal to use 73 points at EYSFF as an indicator for attainment for Primary Schools?

Yes	27
No	2

Q2 Which lump sum level do you think is most appropriate?

£150,000	11
£180,000	21

Q3 What values should be used for attainment, deprivation and EAL?

Same fixed level for Primary and Secondary Schools	16
Different levels based on pots of funding	14

Q4 Which overall funding model do you support?

Version 6	7
Version 8	6
Version 10	10
Version 12	8

De- delegation

1. Contingencies

Yes	17
No	3

2. Free School Meal Eligibility

Yes	20
No	2

3. Staff Costs- Supply Cover

Yes	21
No	1

4. Support for Ethnic Minority Pupils

Yes	6
No	16

5. Behaviour Support Service

Yes	4
No	18

LA Name

Bromley

Sample – the final pro forma may differ

Pupil Led Factors

1) Basic Entitlement Age Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU)	Description	Amount (£) per pupil		Number of Pupils		Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Reception Uplift				n/a		n/a	n/a
	Primary (including reception)	£2,149		23655		£50,844,923		72%
	Key Stage 3	£4,009		10253		£41,102,991	£119,372,626	
	Key Stage 4	£4,009		6841		£27,424,712		
2) Deprivation	Description	Primary amount per pupil (£)	Secondary amount per pupil (£)	Number of eligible primary pupils	Number of eligible secondary pupils	Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Indicator: FSM6	£1,500	£1,500	4,700	3,576	£12,414,331		
	IDACI Score 0.2 - 0.25	£0	£0	1,213	786	£0		
	IDACI Score 0.25-0.3	£0	£0	820	683	£0		
	IDACI Score 0.3- 0.4	£0	£0	2,418	1,625	£0	£12,414,331	8%
	IDACI Score 0.4-0.5	£0	£0	2,386	1,843	£0		
	IDACI Score 0.5-0.6	£0	£0	1,448	946	£0		
	IDACI Score 0.6-1	£0	£0	32	37	£0		
3) Looked After Children (LAC)	Description	Amount (£) per pupil		Number of Pupils		Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Indicator: LAC_X_Mar11	£0		132		£0	£0	0.00%
4) Low cost, high incidence SEN	Description	Amount (£) per pupil		Number of Pupils		Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Primary pupils- Indicator: LowAtt_%_PRI_73	£2,500		4050		£10,125,656	£13,798,425	8.36%
Secondary pupils not achieving (KS2 level 4 English and Maths)	£2,500		1469		£3,672,769			
5) English as an Additional Language (EAL)	Description	Amount (£) per pupil		Number of Pupils		Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Primary pupils- Indicator: EAL_3_PRI	£1,000		1,537		£1,536,775	£1,689,475	1.0%
Secondary pupils- Indicator: EAL_3_SEC	£1,000		153		£152,700			
6) Mobility	Description	Amount (£) per pupil		Number of Pupils		Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Primary pupils starting school outside of normal entry dates	£0		1,737		£0	£0	0.0%
Secondary pupils starting school outside of normal entry dates	£0		445		£0			

Other Factors

7) Lump Sum	Description	Amount (£)	Unit	Number of Schools	Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Lump Sum	£180,000	per school	91		£16,380,000	9.93%
8) Split Sites	Description					Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Split Sites					£0	0.00%
9) Rates	Description					Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Rates					£1,929,250	1.17%
10) PFI funding	Description					Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	PFI					£0	0.00%
11) Sixth Form	Description					Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Existing Sixth Form Commitments					£0	0.00%
12) Exceptional circumstances (can only be used with prior agreement of EFA)	Description				Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Excep Circs 1				£0		
	Excep Circs 2				£0	£0	0.00%
	Excep Circs 3				£0		
13) Minimum Funding Guarantee	Description	MFG Floor		Ceiling	Scale Factor	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	MFG is set at -1.5%, gains may be capped above a specified ceiling and / or scaled	-2%		2%	100%	-£582,658	0%

TOTAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS BLOCK FORMULA (£) : £165,013,728

RETAINED FOR GROWTH £976,362

PRIMARY/SECONDARY RATIO : 1 : 1.44

London fringe pay bands (only applicable to Buckinghamshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Kent and West Sussex)	Description	Uplift amount (%)	Unit	Number of schools	Sub Total (£)	Total (£)	Proportion of funding
	Preset uplift on pupil lead factors and the lump sum	check please	per pupil	0		0	£0