

**Wiltshire Council**

**Schools Forum**

**6 October 2016**

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### **Report from the Early Years Reference Group**

#### **Purpose of report**

1. To report on the meetings of the Early Years Reference Group held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

#### **Main considerations for School Forum**

2. The minutes of the meeting are attached at Appendix 1.
3. The key issue for discussion was the government [consultation](#) on an early years national funding formula and changes to the way the three- and four-year-old entitlements to childcare are funded. The consultation was published on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016 with a response date of 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016.
4. The group agreed a response to the consultation and a copy is attached to the separate paper on this agenda on the Early Years Block 2017-18.
5. It was further agreed that the proposals would require a review of the Wiltshire Early Years Single Funding Formula (EYSFF) and that proposals should be brought back to the Early Years Reference Group for consideration at the November meeting.

#### **Proposals**

6. That Schools Forum notes the minutes of the Early Years Reference Group meeting.

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