

Schools Forum - January 2019
Decision Matrix for 2019-20 Budget

DSG Block	Decision Required	Inter-dependencies with other decisions	Proposal	Decision Maker			Decision - noted at meeting
				Local Authority	Schools Forum	DfE	
Overall Budget	Overall Schools Budget	Individual decisions for blocks to feed in	Schools Budget to be set at level of DSG Settlement £351.646m	Decides	Proposes		No decision required. Council to set budget at overall level of DSG
	Central Licences negotiated by Secretary of State		Propose Budget for central copyright licences set at £0.373m	Decides	None	None	Confirmed budget set at £0.373 million
Central Schools Services Block	Ongoing commitments eg Admissions, Schools Forum support, Services formally funded from retained duties element of ESG	Unallocated element to transfer to HNB	Line by Line summary, appendix to Central DSG Report. Summarised in Proposed Budget summary Propose as presented in Appendix	Proposes	Decides for each line	Adjudicates if Schools Forum does not agree LA proposal	Budget agreed as follows: Section A (SF approval not required) Central Licences £373,000, Section B - (approval required line by line basis) Education Welfare Service - £189,850, Asset Management - £177,066, Statutory/Regulatory duties - £638,084, Admissions - £411,000 and Servicing of Schools Forum - £3,000 & Section C Historic Commitments funded at £574,000. Total allocation £2.570m - total requirement £2.236m the balance transferred to fund HNB at £0.334 million
	Central spend on historic commitments	Will inform any further funding to be delegated if spend is not agreed, is not evidenced or does not meet criteria	Propose agree eligible expenditure as per table in Central Schools Services Block Report	Proposes	Decides for each line	Adjudicates if Schools Forum does not agree LA proposal	Funding awarded as follows: LAC Personal Education Plans - £0.233 million, Child Protection in Schools Adviser - £0.041 million and Prudential borrowing - £0.300 million. LAC Education approved expenditure at the 2018/19 level of £0.103million
	Central spend on general duties for maintained schools - services previously funded by ESG general duties rate	Would be a top slice for maintained school budgets - impacts on delegated budget decision	No top slice proposed		Proposes	Decided by maintained school members	Adjudicates if Schools Forum does not agree LA proposal
Schools block - Delegated Budget	Affordability of local formula		Converge as closely as possible to the NFF. Propose that any reduction required for affordability is applied to FSM Ever6 formula factor as per 18/19	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	Ensures formula is compliant with regulations	Agreed that FSM Ever6 be set at 76%
	Minimum Funding Guarantee		Propose set MFG at 0.5%	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	Ensures formula is compliant with regulations	Agreed that Minimum Funding Guarantee is set at 0.5%
	Growth fund		Growth fund to be set at £1m - split £0.1m Infant class Size and £0.9m basic need Propose criteria remain unchanged Total Growth Fund from DfE of £2.2M awarded to Wiltshire, Local Fund set at £1m	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	Ensures formula is compliant with regulations	Agree Growth Fund to be set at £1 million, split £0.1m Infant class size and £0.9m basic need. Criteria to remain unchanged.
	Falling Rolls Fund	Impacts on available quantum for delegated budget	Propose Wiltshire does not have a falling rolls fund	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	Ensures formula is compliant with regulations	Confirmed that Wiltshire will not implement a falling rolls fund in 2019/20
	Transfer to High Needs from Schools Block		To Transfer £2.2m (0.8%) from Schools Block to High Needs Block. If Sec of State does not approve, then a max of 0.5% can be transferred - £1.375M	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	Subject to SofS Agreement beyond 0.5%	Agreed to transfer £2.2 million (0.8%) from Schools block to High Need block. If Secretary of State does not approve, then a maximum of 0.5% can be transferred - £1.375 million
	De-Delegation of Central Services		HCSS - £58,109	Proposes	Decides for each line	Made by Maintained only	Agreed to fund HCSS at £58,109
	De-Delegation of Central Services		FSM Eligibility - £20,370	Proposes	Decides for each line	Made by Maintained only	Agreed to fund FSM Eligibility at £20,370
	De-Delegation of Central Services		Trade Union - £70,000	Proposes	Decides for each line	Made by Maintained only	Agreed to fund Trade Union up to a maximum of £70,000. Any amount beyond this to be funded by the Trades Unions
	De-Delegation of Central Services		EMAS & Travellers - £517,910	Proposes	Decides for each line	Made by Maintained only	Agreed to fund EMAS & Traveller at £517,910
	De-Delegation of Central Services		Behaviour Support - £600,000	Proposes	Decides for each line	Made by Maintained only	Agreed to fund Behaviour Support at £600,210

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			Other Costs incl Licences	Proposes	Decides for each line	Made by Maintained only	Agreed to fund Other Costs at £82,000
	De-Delegation of Central Services		Maternity Supply - £523,980	Proposes	Decides for each line	Made by Maintained only	Agreed to fund Maternity Supply at £523,980
High Needs Block	Top Up values for NPAs, ELP, Resource Bases and Special Schools		Initial proposal no change from 2018-19 values	Decides	none - but would consult Schools Forum	none	Agreed top up values to remain unchanged from 2018/19 values
	Funding levels for Alternative Provision		No Proposed change 2018-19	Decides	none - but would consult Schools Forum	none	Agreed funding for devolved formula to remain at 2018/19 levels
	Savings proposals to meet shortfall in high needs block - High Needs Working Group to determine plans	To not fund Early Years Inclusion Fund from high needs block wef 19/20 - to transfer funding from Central block (balance of unused) and to transfer 0.8% Schools Funding for 19/20	Proposals to be developed to meet on-going shortfall in budget. Any transfer from the Schools Block cannot be deemed as recurrent. If money to be moved between blocks this must be determined at the January meeting	Decides	none - but would consult Schools Forum	none	Agreed that proposals be developed to meet on-going shortfall in budget and that any transfer from the Schools block cannot be deemed as recurrent.
Early Years Block	Agree Wiltshire formula - including supplements to be applied		Proposed formula as per EY Block report with supplements for Rurality and Deprivation. Proposed Basic Hourly rate £4.18 Rurality: £0.52 per hour Deprivation £0.40 per hour	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	none	Agreed rates as follows: An increase of 4p per hour on the Basic hourly rate: £4.20 per hour, Rurality: £0.52 per hour and Deprivation: £0.40 per hour
	Level of Inclusion Support Fund and how funded	Links to High Needs Block decisions	Proposed ISF budget for low level need of £367,300, to be funded wholly from Early Years Block	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	none	Approved budget of £367,300 to be funded wholly from Early Years Block
	% Pass Through to settings		Proposal in Early Years report for maintaining at least 98% pass through against a required minimum of 95%	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	none	Approved 98% pass through of 3 & 4 year olds funding to settings
	Hourly rate for free entitlement for 2 year olds		Proposed hourly rate of £5.32	Proposes and decides	must be consulted	none	Agreed hourly rate for two year olds as £5.32 per hour