

Report from the Schools Forum SEN Working Group

Purpose of report

1. To report on the meeting of the SEN Working Group held on 10th June 2013.

Main considerations for School Forum

2. The draft minutes of the meeting are attached at Appendix 1.
3. The SEN Group made the following recommendations to Schools Forum:
4. ***Top Up Payments for Non-Wiltshire Pupils (Item 2 Appendix 1)***

The Group considered a report outlining the previous funding mechanism under inter-authority recoupment for non-Wiltshire pupils in mainstream schools and the impact of funding reform. This report is also included as a separate item on the Schools Forum agenda.

The group discussed the proposed options for moving towards a consistent funding model for all pupils with additional needs and recommends that Option C should be implemented, allowing transitional funding of 50% for those schools for whom the impact is greater than 1% of budget. The cost of the transitional funding is to be met from the high needs budget.

5. ***Proposals***

That Schools Forum notes the recommendations of the SEN Working Group when considering the paper on top up payments for non-Wiltshire pupils in mainstream schools.

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