

Wiltshire Council

Schools Forum
1st December 2011

Report from the Schools Forum School Funding Working Group

Purpose of report

1. To report on the meeting of the School Funding Working Group held on 15th November 2011

Main considerations for School Forum

2. The draft minutes of the meeting are attached at Appendix 1.
3. The School Funding Working Group made the following recommendations:
4. ***Controls on Surplus Balances Scheme***

It was recommended that Wiltshire should continue to operate a controls on surplus balances scheme for the 2012/13 financial year.

5. ***Schools Revenue Balances 2010/11***

In respect of revenue balances for the 2010/11 financial year the following recommendations are made:

- a) That the two schools which had failed to submit an appeal should have their excess balances removed.
- b) That the school which had submitted an appeal be requested to resubmit their 2010/11 Intended Use of Revenue Balances form showing the specific project as "planned investment" and therefore no clawback should apply.

Proposals

6. That Schools Forum:
 - a. note the recommendation made by the Schools Funding Working Group to continue with a Controls on Surplus Balances Scheme in 2012/13.
 - b. Agree to the clawback of excess revenue balances from the two schools who failed to submit an appeal.

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