

AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (1)

Meeting: Schools Forum
Place: Melksham Town Hall, Market Place, Melksham, Wilts. SN12 6ES
Date: Thursday 4 October 2012
Time: 1.30 pm

The Agenda for the above meeting was published on 26 September 2012 and indicated that the report/s detailed below would be to follow. These are now available and are attached to this Agenda Supplement.

This supplement is in correction an earlier published version, which gave the incorrect agenda item and title.

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8 **Budget Monitoring (Pages 1 - 4)**

To consider the budget monitoring report for period 5

The final paper on the School Funding Reform consultation outcomes will be tabled at the briefing at 1100 on Thursday 04 October 2012.

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DEDICATED SCHOOLS BUDGET – BUDGET MONITORING 2012-13

Purpose of the Report

1. To present budget monitoring information against the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for the financial year 2012-13 as at 31st August 2012.

Main Considerations

2. Appendix 1 to this report outlines the budget monitoring summary as at 31st August 2012. At this point in the year an underspend of £0.520 million is projected against the overall schools budget. Key variances are as follows:
 - a. *Independent Special School Placements* – this budget is currently projected to underspend by £0.536 million. The forecast is based on all current placements and includes young people for whom a placement has been agreed by the Joint Complex Needs Panel but which may not yet be in place. A further underspend of £0.088 million is projected against placements made in other local authority schools, again this is based on agreed expenditure and income schedules to date and will be continually updated. It is expected that further placements will be made during the year so this underspend is likely to reduce.
 - b. *Young Person's Support Service* – following the closure of the service at the end of August there is an underspend of £14,000.
 - c. *Early Years Free Entitlement for 3 & 4 year olds* – an underspend of £0.226 million is projected against the Early Years Single Funding Formula. This projection is updated termly based on the uptake of the free entitlement across settings and the underspend is likely to reduce through the year.
 - d. *Premature Retirement Costs* – further work is required to quantify PRC costs for the current year and projection will be included in the budget monitoring report for the December Schools Forum meeting.
 - e. *Maternity Costs* - it is projected that the maternity budget will overspend by £0.336 million. The budget has been reduced in the current year to reflect the Local Authority Central Spend Equivalent Grant (LACSEG) recoupment from the Council's DSG allocation, however spend continues at a high level. The projection is based on spend to date.

Proposals

3. Schools Forum is asked to note the budget monitoring position at the end of August 2012.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Schools Budget Monitoring Statement

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Financial Monitoring

Service Areas	Approved Budget £m	Projected Outturn for £m	Variation for Year £m
1 Funding Schools			
DSG Funded Expenditure	257.457	257.457	0.000
Total	257.457	257.457	-
2 Schools & Learning Branch			
Independent Special Schools	3.999	3.462	-0.536
Named Pupil Allowances	2.135	2.132	-0.003
Special Recoupment	1.546	1.458	-0.088
Specialist SEN Service	0.804	0.736	-0.067
Sensory Service	0.522	0.522	0.000
Ethnic Minority Achievement Service	0.326	0.326	0.000
Travellers Education Service	0.192	0.192	0.000
Local Collaborative Partnerships	0.077	0.077	0.000
Young People's Support Services	0.994	0.980	-0.014
Behaviour Support	0.784	0.810	0.026
Other Targeted Services	2.090	2.029	-0.061
Total Targeted Schools & Learner Support	13.467	12.724	-0.744
Strategic Planning	0.035	0.035	0.000
Admissions Service	0.263	0.263	0.000
Other School Improvement Services	0.025	0.025	0.000
Total School Improvement	0.324	0.324	0.000
Early Years Single Funding Formula	14.926	14.700	-0.226
Other Early Years Services	1.117	1.117	0.000
Total Early Years & Childcare	16.043	15.817	-0.226
Business & Commercial Services	0.153	0.153	0.000
Total Schools & Learning	29.986	29.017	- 0.970
3 Commissioning & Performance			
Schools Maternity Costs	0.551	0.888	0.337
Trades Union Facilities Costs	0.048	0.048	0.000
Schools PRC - New Cases	0.411	0.411	0.000
SIMS Licence	0.131	0.160	0.029
Other services	0.138	0.186	0.048
Total	1.279	1.693	0.414
4 Safeguarding			
Child Protection in Schools	0.028	0.028	0.000
Total	0.028	0.028	-
5 Social Care & Integrated Youth			
QES	0.033	0.033	0.000
Assisted Places Scheme	0.030	0.030	0.000
Looked After Children Education Service	0.133	0.169	0.036
Total	0.196	0.232	0.036
6 DSG Within Corporate Services & "LACSEG Reserve"			
Gross Expenditure	4.817	4.817	0.000
Total	4.817	4.817	-
	293.764	293.244	- 0.520

Note POSITIVE variances = OVERSPEND

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