



Haverling

L O N D O N B O R O U G H

SCHOOLS FUNDING FORUM AGENDA

8.30 am

Thursday
11 July 2013

CEME, Rainham

MEMBERSHIP:

Members: 26 Quorum: 10

Head Teachers (12):

Nigel Emes (Chair) (Primary)
Margy Bushell (Primary)
Christine Drew (Primary)
Chris Hobson (Primary)
Ian Trafford (Primary)
Angela Winch (Primary)
Emma Field (Primary Academy)
Julia Deery (Secondary)
Julian Dutnall (Secondary Academy)
Alan Perry (Secondary Academy)
Keith Williams (Secondary Academy)
Geoff Wroe (Special)

Governors (7):

Joe Webster (Vice Chair) (Secondary)
Sheila Clarke (Primary)
John Parker (Primary)
Richard Shaw (Primary)
Tracey Walker (Primary)
Daniel Gricks (Secondary Academy)
John McKernan (Secondary Academy)

Pupil Referral Units (1)

Vacancy

**Non-School
Representatives (4):**

Rob Fox (Diocesan Board of Education)
Trevor Sim (Vulnerable Children)
Maria Thompson (14-19 Partnership)
Katrina Karwacinski (Early Years PVI Sector)

Trade Unions (3):

Keith Passingham (NASUWT)
Dave Thomas (UNISON)
Ray Waxler (NUT)

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AGENDA ITEMS

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS OR OBSERVERS

2 TO AGREE THE NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 APRIL 2013 (Pages 1 - 4)
The notes are attached at Appendix A.

3 MATTERS ARISING

4 SCHOOL BALANCES 2012-13 (Pages 5 - 6)

School Balances at year ended 2012-13 are attached at Appendix B. An analysis of the balances will be presented at the meeting.

5 DSG OUTTURN 2012-13 (Pages 7 - 8)

The balance at closure of accounts for the DSG centrally retained areas was £2.914m. This includes some prior year commitments which, along with proposals for use of the balance, are set out at Appendix C.

6 PUPIL GROWTH CONTINGENCY (Pages 9 - 16)

- (i) The criteria previously agreed for funding pupil growth requires amendment to include the requirement to fund a full year for growth in academies (rather than September to March for maintained schools). Issues have also arisen in the setting up of new classes in primary schools. Appendix D refers.
- (ii) At the start of the year it was agreed to hold £1m as a contingency to fund pupil growth. The Funding Forum should be kept informed of how this contingency is allocated. See Appendix E. It is recommended that the contingency for 2013-14 is increased by £700,000 from the DSG carry forward from 2012-13.
- (iii) Funding for 2014-15 and future years should take into account the need to fund set up costs for new schools opening to meet basic need.

7 FUNDING CHANGES (Pages 17 - 18)

The changes to the Schools Funding Arrangements for 2014-15 were announced in June. A summary is attached at Appendix F.

Full information can be found on the DFE website.

<http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/adminandfinance/financialmanagement/schoolsr-evenuefunding/a00221523/school-funding-and-high-needs-funding-arrangements-2014-15>

8 LOW COST HIGH INCIDENCE SEN

The £6,000 per pupil with SEN is now a mandatory threshold for identification of SEN funding in the budget shares of schools and academies. Additional funding may be provided outside the main funding formula on a consistent and fair basis where the number of high needs pupils cannot be reflected adequately in formula funding. Additional funding can also be provided where there is a disproportionate number of pupils with a particular type of SEN.

To be discussed at the meeting.

9 SUPPORT TO SCHOOLS WITH FALLING ROLLS (Pages 19 - 20)

It is proposed to create a fund to cover temporary falling rolls in maintained secondary schools and academies. The proposed criteria is attached at Appendix G.

10 EXCEPTIONAL PREMISES FACTOR AND DISAPPLICATION OF THE MINIMUM FUNDING GUARANTEE

To consider any proposals from the LA.

11 NEXT MEETINGS (Pages 21 - 22)

Proposals for meeting dates for the 2013/14 academic year are attached at Appendix H.

12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS