



**Subject Heading:**

**High Needs Funding 2019-20**

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**Eligibility to vote:**

**All members**

### SUMMARY

This item is to report to the Schools Funding Forum Havering's allocation of funding for High Needs within the DSG including the additional high needs funding that has been allocated by the Government for financial years 2018-19 and 2019-20.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Schools Funding Forum notes the report.

### REPORT DETAIL

On 17<sup>th</sup> December, Damian Hinds, Secretary of State for Education gave a written statement to parliament as an Education update which included an announcement of additional funding to the allocations of High Needs DSG to local authorities for 2018-19 and 2019-20.

A copy of the written statement is attached at Appendix A.

The additional funding to Havering is £611,278 for each year. Although this extra funding is welcome, for Havering it will reduce the amount of the forecast overspend in 2018-19 and is insufficient to meet projected costs in 2019-20.

High Needs Block allocations to local authorities were announced on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018 and Havering's allocation is shown in the table below with a comparison to 2018-19 funding.

	<b>Actual 2019-20 high needs NFF allocations, excluding basic entitlement factor and import/export adjustments (£m)</b>	<b>Mid-2019 age 2-18 ONS population projection</b>	<b>2019-20 ACA-weighted basic entitlement factor unit rate (£)</b>	<b>Actual 2019-20 number of pupils in special schools/academies (headcount)</b>	<b>2019-20 import / export adjustments (based on January 2018 school census and February R06 2017/18 ILR.) (£m)</b>	<b>Additional high needs funding (£m)</b>	<b>2019-20 provisional total high needs block (£m)</b>
2019-20	23.649	55,566	4,348.33	355.5	-0.516	0.611	25.290
2018-19	22.298	53,591	4,348.33	343	-0.516	0.611	23.885
Difference	1.351	1,975	0.00	12.5	0.000	0.000	1.405