



SCHOOLS FUNDING FORUM AGENDA

8.30 - 10.30 am

6 December 2012

CEME, Rainham

Members: 26 Quorum: 10

MEMBERSHIP:

Representative Groups

Head Teachers (12):

Nigel Emes (Chair) (Primary)
Margy Bushell (Primary)
Julia Deery (Primary)
Christine Drew (Primary)
Chris Hobson (Primary)
Ian Trafford (Primary)
Angela Winch (Primary)
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)
Sandra Wigham (Pupil Referral Units)

Non-School

Representatives (4):

Rob Fox (Diocesan Board of Education)
Trevor Sim (Vulnerable Children)
Maria Thompson (14-19 Partnership)

Trade Unions (3):

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

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1. **Apologies for absence and announcement of substitute members**

2. **Membership**

- (i) To note that Sandra Wigham has been appointed as representative of pupil referral units.
- (ii) An appointment is awaited to represent primary academies.

3. **To agree the notes of the meeting held on 18 October 2012**
(Pages 1 - 8)

The notes are attached at Appendix A.

4. **Matters Arising**

5. **Schools Forum Responsibilities** (Pages 9 - 32)

To receive the recently renewed DFE guidance

- (i) Schools Forum Powers and Responsibilities – Appendix B
- (ii) Operational and Good Practice Guide – Appendix C

6. **Review of Alternative Education Provision and Targeted Inclusion**

The LA has commissioned a review of its strategy for alternative education provision and targeted inclusion support services including revised arrangements for the operation of pupil referral units. Paul Senior, Senior Consultant will attend to advise on the progress made.

7. **De-delegation**

- (i) Behaviour Support Service and EAL Service

At the last meeting the Schools Funding Forum agreed on behalf of maintained primary schools to de-delegate budgets for the Behaviour Support Service and the EAL service. The decision on these two services on behalf of maintained secondary schools was deferred. A decision is now required in time for the budget setting timetable.

- (ii) Trade Union Facility Time

The Schools Funding Forum at previous meetings has considered the de-delegation of Trade Union Facility Time but deferred its decision on behalf of primary and secondary maintained schools pending a view from academies.

Secondary head teachers have now considered the matter and the vast majority have decided that they would not wish to return the money delegated to them to maintain the current arrangements.

A decision on de-delegation on behalf of maintained primary and secondary schools is now required.

8. **Central Retained Budgets** (Pages 33 - 40)

The School Funding Reforms allow the central retention of some budgets with Schools Funding Forum approval. These are listed at Appendix D along with the budgets for each area for agreement.

Criteria for the allocation of funding for pre 16 pupil growth needs to be approved by the Schools Funding Forum and proposals are set out at Appendix E.

9. **Early Years Single Funding Formula**

To consider proposals to review the Early Years Single Funding Formula to take effect from April 2013. Appendix F to follow.

10. **School Budgets 2013-14 - progress to date**

Following the last meeting, Havering's draft budget pro-forma was submitted to the Education Funding Agency (EFA) and has been approved.

The EFA will provide final data sets in the week beginning 10th December, the DSG settlement will be announced in the week beginning 17th December and final factors and values should be submitted to the EFA by 18th January.

11. **Next Meetings**

The next meetings have been arranged as follows:

2013

January	Thursday 24th
February	Thursday 14th
March	Thursday 21st
April	Thursday 25 th
May	Thursday 23 rd
July	Thursday 11 th

All meetings to be held at CEME at 8.30 a.m.

12. **Any Other Business**