

Schools Funding Forum 18th June 2020

ITEM 5

Subject Heading:	Dedicated Schools Grant – Year End Balance 2019-20
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Eligibility to vote:	All members

SUMMARY

This report sets out the year end position on expenditure from the Dedicated Schools Grant in 2019-20 and to agree the use of the balance in 2020-21.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Schools Funding Forum:

- (i) notes the areas of under or overspend from the 2019-20 Dedicated Schools Grant
- (ii) agrees the allocation of funding in financial year 2020-21 as set out in the proposals below

REPORT DETAIL

1. Balance carried forward from 2019-20

Including all earmarked funding from previous financial years, the carry forward balance from centrally retained DSG from 2019-20 into 2020-21 is a deficit of £1,034,426. This is the first year that the combined total of all year end balances of activities funded by the DSG has been in deficit. This is due to DSG underspends being insufficient to cover the overspend in the high needs block.

A full breakdown of the under and overspends along with proposals for the allocation of underspends for use in 2020-21 is shown in the tables below.

	Under/(Over) spend	Proposals
Funding Block	£000	
Early Years	522	
Provision for 2 year olds (in-year)	(131)	Deficit to be offset by contingency brought forward from 18-19
Contingency for 2 year olds cfwd from 2018-19	100	To offset in-year overspend for funding of 2 year olds provision
Provision for 3&4 year olds (in-year)	(384)	Deficit to be offset by contingency brought forward from 18-19
Contingency for 3 & 4 year olds cfwd from 2018-19	672	To offset in-year overspend for funding of 3&4 year olds provision
Centrally retained	165	Offset HN deficit*
Early years central retention cfwd from 2018-19	100	To cfwd into 2020-21 for new database

Schools Block	505	
Pupil Growth/Falling Rolls	505	Offset HN deficit *

De-delegation	58	
Primary school insurance	45	Refund to primary schools
Trade Union Facility Time	9	C/fwd as T.U. Facility Time contingency in 2020-21
Other	4	Refund to primary schools

High Needs Block	(3,327)	
In year overspend	(4,677)	Deficit to be offset by other DSG underspends
Cary forward of underspent DSG from 18-19	1,350	Reduces the in-year deficit

Central Schools Support	347	
School Partnerships/SCC	146	Offset HN deficit *
Central Services	111	Offset HN deficit *
School Energy Conservation Project	90	Offset HN deficit *

Other DSG Funding	861	
Balance of additional grants	81	Offset HN deficit *
Net effect of grant balances.	(8)	Offset underspend of unallocated grant
Unallocated early years grant	788	Increase early years funding rate in 20-21

TOTAL	(1,034)
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Committed for 2020-21

De-delegated balances to be returned to schools	49
De-delegated Trade Union Facility Time balance to be carried forward	9
Early Years central retention for new database	100
Balance of early years grant	257
Unallocated early years grant	788
Total commitments	1,203

Revised DSG cfwd to HN Block	(2,237)
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Reconciliation of offset of HN deficit

HN deficit	(3,327)
Early years central retention	165
Pupil Growth/Falling Rolls	505
Central Schools Support	347
Grants balance	73
HN deficit carried forward	(2,237)