



**Subject Heading:**

**Central Schools Services Block 2022-23**

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**Eligibility to vote:**

**All school and academy members**

### SUMMARY

This report is to inform the Schools Funding Forum of the final allocation received for the Dedicated Schools Block Central Schools Services Grant.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Schools Funding Forum:

- (i) notes the funding received and agrees that the additional sum in the final allocation is held as a contingency.

### REPORT DETAIL

#### 1. Dedicated Schools Grant - Central School Services Block 2022-23

The Central School Services Block (CSSB) is allocated on the basis of the per-pupil rates and historic commitments announced in July 2021. The final allocation uses pupil numbers from the October 2021 census.

Funding for 2022-23 through the DSG CSSB is as follows:

Year	Ongoing responsibilities			Historical commitments	Total CSSB
	Pupil nos.	Per pupil £	£	£	£
2022-23	38,061	39.69	1,510,661	147,195	1,657,857
2022-23 indicative	37,478	39.69	1,487,592	147,195	1,634,788
2021-22	37,478	37.74	1,414,419	183,994	1,598,414
Difference 2021-22 to 2022-23	583	1.95	96,242	-36,799	59,443
Difference 2022-23 indicative to 2022-23	583	0.00	23,069	0.00	23,069

The services that the LA can fund from the CSSB are set out in the Operational Guidance on DSG allocations issued by the DfE. The Schools Funding Forum gave approval to the use of the ongoing responsibilities and historical commitments funding, based on the indicative allocations, at the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021. Details are shown below.

<b>Ongoing responsibilities</b>	<b>2022-23 indicative £</b>
Copyright licences	183,183
Admissions	511,590
Schools Forum	44,548
LA responsibilities to all schools	688,307
Pension funding	59,964
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,487,592</b>
<b>Historical commitments</b>	
Schools Partnerships/Schools Causing Concern	147,195
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,634,788</b>
<b>Final funding for categories above</b>	<b>1,657,857</b>

The final allocation for ongoing responsibilities is £23,069 more than the indicative allocation.

As predicted, the cost of copyright licences has risen. The actual cost will be £185,679, £2,496 more than the indicative allocation. This leaves £20,573 unallocated. It is proposed that this is held as a contingency.