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SCHOOLS BUDGET AND FUNDING

FORMULA CHANGES 2019/20

Councillor Bernie Mooney, Cabinet Member for Children and Families said:

“We are all proud of the work our schools do. Often under testing circumstances, they continue to go above and beyond in supporting our children to reach their aspirations.

“It is never easy to determine the schools budget, particularly when Central Government impose new formulas – with no local knowledge or considerations – which we have to follow.

“This schools budget has been developed through extensive consultation through our Schools Forum, and I thank them all for their input and constructive comments.”

REPORT SUMMARY

This report sets out the Schools Budget for 2019/20 having been previously considered by the Schools Forum at their meeting on 16th January 2019.

The Schools Budget covers education provision for all Wirral Pupils aged up to 18 in Early Years, Primary, Secondary and academy schools and for some pupils up to the age of 25 in Special Schools and High Needs providers.

Most budgets are delegated to schools with some central provision for support services including school admissions and High Needs.

The report proposes a number of changes to the local funding formula for Schools to allow a transitional transfer to the National Funding Formula. There are also changes proposed to High Needs.

The Schools Budget provides resources to support all children and young people pledges, and the proposals within result in an in-year deficit of £2,343,200 on the DSG budget.

This matter affects all Wards within the Borough and is a Key Decision.

RECOMMENDATION/S

Cabinet recommends the 2019-20 Schools Budget of £267,661,400 to Budget Council having taken account of the views and formula proposals from the Schools Forum that:

- i) That the 2019-20 schools funding formula should be a transition formula introducing some elements of the National Funding Formula including the minimum per pupil funding formula levels of £3,500 for primary schools and £4,800 for secondary schools.
- ii) That a Minimum Funding Guarantee of 0% for Wirral schools in 2019-20 is approved to provide additional protection and stability in funding, and to ensure that no school can lose pupil funding unless there is a reduction in pupil numbers ensuring that no pupil is disadvantaged as a result of the change in formula.
- iii) That the continuing Contributions to Combined Budgets should be £875,600 in 2019-20.
- iv) That any remaining uncommitted Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) reserves remaining at the end of 2018-19 are used as a contingency to support High Needs pressures in future years.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Council has a legal requirement to set a schools budget for the following financial year.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 The Schools' Forum considered a number of options when considering the Schools Budget with regard to the make-up of the Schools' local funding formula in light of the introduction of the National Funding Formula from April 2018. These are described in more detail in the report.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Schools Forum was asked for their views on and approval of the Schools Budget for 2019/20 on 16th January 2019. The budget of £267,661,400 is for early years, maintained schools, academies, colleges and providers and is based on Dedicated Schools Grant allocations issued by the Department for Education (DfE) on 17th December 2018, and a Council contribution to PFI costs of £1,152,700.
- 3.2 The format of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) is largely unchanged following the introduction of the National Funding Formula for Schools and High Needs in 2018-19.
 - 3.2.1 DSG allocations have been updated for changes in pupil numbers. Pupil numbers are those recorded in the October 2018 census. The secondary roll has increased while the primary roll has fallen slightly, and is expected to fall further in future years following a previous reduction in Early Years (3 and 4 year olds).
 - 3.2.2 Early Years funding is based on a combination of the census in January 2019 and January 2020. The dates for the Early Years Census mean that the exact DSG will not be finalised until July 2020. The grant used for the budget are based on the current indicative figures (using the January 2018 census) and any known or anticipated changes after this date e.g. for increasing take up of the 15 hour extended offer.
 - 3.2.3 The High Needs Block provides resources to fund high needs students aged 0 – 24, including the Hospital School. The High Needs block will increase by £1.7m, including £712k as part of the £250m additional High Needs funding over 2 years announced by DfE on 17th December 2018. Growth can be used flexibly to make adjustments locally to high needs places as well as to the top ups provided. A number of changes are described later in this report.

3.2.4 The Blocks in their current format can be summarised as follows:

Block	2018-19	2019-20 Allocation	Change	Change
	£	£	£	%
Schools Block	198,653,500	202,890,500	4,237,000	2.13%
Early Years (est)	21,123,800	22,105,900	982,100	4.65%
High Needs	35,157,500	36,874,100	1,716,600	4.88%
Central Schools	2,254,500	2,295,000	40,500	1.8%
Total		264,165,500		

3.2.5 Schools Block £202.9m

This funding covers the delegated budgets to primary and secondary schools and academies only. Funding previously included in the schools block for budgets that are managed centrally on behalf of schools is now included in the Central Schools Services Block.

3.2.6 Early Years Block £22.1m

This Block funds the costs of Early Years Education for 2, 3 and 4 year old children in schools, nurseries and private voluntary and independent providers for both the universal and extended entitlement. Most of this funding is directed through the Early Years National Funding Formula (EYNFF).

There are small elements covering SEN costs and some central Early Years support costs. Amounts held centrally are within the new nationally defined limits of 5%.

3.2.7 High Needs Block £36.9m

The make-up of this block is complex. It is based on the “place plus” funding system introduced by the DfE in April 2013 and includes:

- Special schools (pre and post 16), and non-maintained special schools, both of which receive a base level funding of £10,000 per place.
- School bases which receive £6,000 per place, reduced from £10,000 from April 2018, the difference being transferred into the schools block.
- Alternative Provision Bases and Emslie Morgan Academy funding of £10,000 per place.
- Place funding in Wirral’s FE provision at Wirral Met College and Birkenhead 6th Form College of £6,000 per place.
- Additional funding over and above that provided for places in the form of “top ups” provided on a per pupil basis. The top up, or “plus” element of funding, takes account of the agreed assessed needs of pupils and is paid by the “commissioner” responsible; this may be Wirral Children’s Services, a school or another Local Authority. Wirral’s top up system uses 5 bands to allocate funding across special schools, resourced bases and alternative provision. Non-maintained Special Schools also receive a top up.

- The costs of Top Ups for all education and training for post 16 specialist provision for Learners with Learning Difficulties or Disabilities (LLDD) in colleges and private providers.
- The Hospital Schools budget.
- The cost of placements in Independent Special Schools.
- The costs of Education, Health and Care Plans / Statements.
- The central provision of SEN support.

3.2.8 Central School Services Block £2.3m

This block provides funding for LAs to carry out central functions on behalf of pupils in state-funded maintained schools and academies in England. Funding previously allocated to LAs for Education Services Grant (ESG) retained duties is included within this block, together with funding for historic commitments. The funding for ongoing responsibilities includes:

- Contribution to combined budgets
- Schools budget retirement costs from school closure
- School Licenses
- Admissions
- Schools Forum
- Former ESG retained duties
- Central PFI costs

The treatment of these budgets, which are considered in further detail later in this report, is in accordance with national guidance.

3.3 Academies

Currently there are 15 secondary academies, 11 primary academies and 1 Alternative Provision Academy – Emslie Morgan. Academies are independent from the local authority and are funded directly from the EFA, however Regulations require Wirral to continue to calculate their budgets which are deducted from Wirral's DSG. The total grant reduction for Wirral is estimated to be £91m in 2019-20.

3.4 Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG)

The National Funding Formula provides a minimum 1% cash increase in pupil led funding in 2019-20 for every school compared with their 2017-18 baselines. Local Authorities have discretion over the level of MFG in their local formula as part of the 'soft' formula. LAs are able to apply MFG of between minus 1.5% and 0.5% per pupil to protect schools from large formula changes, but giving Authorities the flexibility to move towards the National Funding Formula whilst reflecting local circumstances where necessary.

Minimum Funding Guarantee is discussed further later in this report, along with the Schools Funding Formula.

3.5 2019-20 Schools Budget savings

There are no specific budget savings proposed as part of this Schools Budget report.

3.6 2019-20 School Budget Changes

3.6.1 Primary, Secondary and Academy Budgets £202.9m

The significant changes within this area are:

- There is a net increase in school rolls, resulting in an overall budget increase of £2.1m. There are 382 more pupils on roll in October 2018 compared to October 2017. Primary numbers have reduced by 56 from 25,944 to 25,888 (a 0.22% reduction) while Secondary numbers have increased by 438 from 17,470 to 17,908 (a 2.5% increase).
- There has been an increase in Business Rates payable of £94k resulting from inflation and the unwinding of transitional relief following the rates revaluation exercise in 2017.
- The PFI Affordability Gap delegated to schools has been increased by the estimated cost of inflation - £120,800.
- There is Headroom within the budget, which arises from a difference in the pupil funding received in DSG and the funding allocated within the ISB. This totals £1.9m (1%) and has been split proportionately between primary and secondary budgets.

3.6.2 6th Form Funding

The Schools Budget includes funding for High Needs students in 6th Forms. All other post 16 funding is through the National Formula for 6th Forms.

3.6.3 High Needs Places £16.0m

Places in specialist provision within Local Authority areas continue to be determined by each LA in consultation with schools and providers. There is flexibility to make adjustments so that places more broadly reflect take up by pupils and some place changes have been included in the budget, increasing the budget by £734,500. These include the increase in place numbers at 4 special schools from September 2018 as well as places in 6 trial SEN bases which are likely to continue for the full year until the independent SEN review is completed.

All changes have been reported to the ESFA where necessary and have been reflected in the budget as follows:

Full Year Effect of changes made in 2018-19

- Birkenhead 6th Form College reduce by 8 places to 57
- Wirral Met College increase by 2 places to 119
- The Observatory increase by 21 places to 76
- Foxfield increase by 5 places to 138
- Elleray Park increase by 18 places to 128
- Stanley increase by 21 places to 141

Full Year Effect of Trial bases introduced in 2018-19

- Woodslee additional 8 places
- The Observatory additional 6 places
- Oldershaw additional 5 places
- Hilbre additional 1 place

Changes from September 2019

- Foxfield increase by 2 places to 140

- Townfield reduce by 1 place to 10
- Woodchurch High increase by 5 places to 20
- Oldershaw increase by 6 places to 26
- Emslie Morgan AP reduce by 20 places to 80
- Weatherhead reduce by 1 place to 0
- Wirral Met College increase by 14 places to 133

3.6.4 Early Years £21.1m

Early Years funding for 2019-20 will be based on census counts in January 2019 (5/12ths) and January 2020 (7/12ths).

Latest DfE estimates (December 2018) indicate that 1,251 children are eligible for 2 year old funding in Wirral, with an estimated take-up of 93% in 2019-20. Estimated DSG and expenditure budgets are therefore based on these numbers.

The January 18 census showed a falling roll for universal 3 and 4 years olds compared to the January 17 census, mirroring a drop in birth rates for the related period. At this time it has been assumed that there will be no change in the January 19 census, although this will be kept under review.

The extended offer of an additional 15 hours for working parents was introduced from autumn 2017, with the DfE's expectation being that extended hours claimed would eventually be around 60% of universal hours. Take-up has risen, although not as sharply as estimated when setting the 2018-19 budget, with extended hours claimed in autumn 2018 being 44.4% of universal hours (37% in autumn 2017). Estimated DSG and expenditure budgets estimate that this will be 46.5% in spring 2019, rising to 50% in spring 2020.

Pupil numbers	January 2017	January 2018	Change
2 year olds (FTE)	1,232	1,106	(126)
3/4 year olds (universal FTE)	4,933	4,878	(55)
3/4 year olds (extended FTE)	-	2,012	2,012

Disability Access Fund moves into its 3rd year following its introduction in April 2017. Take up was slow in 2017-18, and has reduced further in 2018-19. However, the DfE's estimate is that 168 Wirral children are eligible, giving an initial allocation of £103k, and this is reflected in the estimated DSG and expenditure budgets.

3.6.5 SEN Top-ups £21.7m

The proposed budget for SEN Top-ups is £21.7m, an increase of £3.33m from 2018-19. As well as the changes to place numbers outlined above, top-up budgets have been increased as follows:

	2018-19 budget £	2019-20 budget £	Change £
Statements (£5,715,100)			
Early Years	450,000	450,000	0
Primary	1,724,000	2,730,600	1,006,600
Secondary (including 6 th Forms)	1,887,000	2,314,700	427,700
Personal Budgets	108,700	108,700	0

Other	111,100	111,100	0
Top-ups (£15,962,900)			
Special Schools (& 6 th Forms)	6,917,000	7,708,600	791,600
SEN Units (resourced & AP)	724,400	1,038,200	313,800
Alternative Provision	493,300	494,900	1,600
Further Education (6 th form college & providers)	946,000	1,700,000	754,000
Exceptional Need	504,100	504,100	0
Nursing Support	106,600	106,600	0
Contingency	279,900	310,000	30,100
Independent Non-maintained Special Schools	3,700,000	3,700,000	0
Home Tuition	400,500	400,500	0
Total	18,352,600	21,678,000	3,325,400

- **Statements £5.7m** – a net increase of £1.43m reflecting the increased number/cost of EHCPs/IPFAs, particularly for Primary pupils.
- **Special Schools £7.71m** – special school top-ups budgets are under increasing pressure, and budget has increased by £791,600 due to a combination of increased numbers (including the additional places detailed above) and greater needs moving towards higher top-up bands.
- **SEN Units £1.04m** – the budget has increased by £313,800 to include the pupils in the trial bases as well as other small changes in numbers described above.
- **Further Education and 6th Form College £1.7m** – there has been an increase of £754,000 in this budget which reflects the national increase in demand, as well as more expensive places resulting from tribunal cases.
- **Contingency £310k** – this budget has been increased by £30k and covers the potential cost of:
 - The 90% guarantee to maintained mainstream schools to limit the demands on low cost high incidence SEN budgets used to support statements (£270k).
 - Any unforeseen consequences arising from top-ups, places, or exceptional cases (£40k).

These changes, together with the place changes outlined in 3.6.3 mean that the pressures estimated on the High Needs budget total £4.06m, which outweighs the increase in High Needs Block increase of £1.72m. This results in an estimated in-year deficit of £2.34m on the High Needs budget.

3.6.6 Central School Services

Budgets held for Contingency, Special Staff (maternity and trade union duties), the School Library Service, Insurance (Governors Aided), Behaviour Support, and FSM Eligibility have been delegated to schools. Schools Forum have de-delegated all of these areas apart from FSM Eligibility so they can be held centrally. They have also de-delegated costs associated with former General Duties of the Education Services Grant and School Improvement.

The centrally held budgets for 2019-20, mainly funded by the Central Schools Services Block of DSG, include:

- The continuing premature retirement of teachers and staff that have arisen from closing schools (£60,000, unchanged from 2018-19).

- The cost of licenses for copyright and music in all schools and academies resulting from a national agreement (£246,600, an increase of £13,500).
- School Admissions (£372,200, unchanged from 2018-19).
- Contributions to combined budgets (£875,600, unchanged from 2018-19).
- Schools Forum (£10,600, unchanged from 2018-19).
- Early Years (£518,700, funded from the Early Years block and unchanged from 2018-19).
- Retained duties of the former Education Services Grant (ESG) (£730,000, unchanged from 2018-19).
- The Authority's contribution to the PFI Affordability Gap (£1,152,700, an increase of £189,300, funded by the LA).

3.6.7 Contributions to combined budgets

School Funding Regulations continue to allow contributions to support services that would otherwise fall outside the Schools Budget. These budgets combine with other council resources for the educational benefit of children.

There must be no new commitments or increases in expenditure from that agreed in 2012-13, and DfE expect that these costs will unwind over time. The combined budgets are:

Combined budget summary	£
Discretionary Rate Relief	106,600
School Improvement	330,000
LSCB	30,000
School Intervention	136,000
PFI – CLCs	68,500
LACES	140,500
PFI Support Team	61,800
Governors Forum	2,200
Total	875,600

3.7 Education Services Grant

Schools Forum agreed on 16th January 2019 to de-delegate £500,000 on behalf of Maintained Primary, Secondary and Special Schools towards the full year costs of former ESG General Duties. This is to contribute to the cost of functions such as Internal Audit, some Asset Management costs, school redundancies, and other statutory duties. The estimated costs of these services per the 2018-19 Section 251 Budget Return are as follows:

Estimated cost of ESG services	£
Education Welfare	454,800
Asset Management	152,600
Statutory/Regulatory duties	998,600
Premature retirement/redundancy	128,300
Monitoring national curriculum assessment	65,000
Total	1,799,300
Funded by:	
School budget retained duties	730,000
General duties (de-delegation)	500,000

Council funded	569,300
Total	1,799,300

3.8 Use of Reserves

DSG reserves held total £2.3m, and were agreed as part of the year end accounts for 2017-18. The Schools Budget for 2018-19 is likely to use £1.13m of these, leaving £1.2m. £0.65m of this is reserved for the costs of pay harmonisation, with small amounts being held for Early Years and the remaining final closure / school re-use costs of the former City Learning Centres. It is proposed that any remaining DSG reserves at year end are used to mitigate High Needs pressures in 2019-20.

3.9 Other Grant Funding

Pupil Premium provides funding targeted towards deprivation. Now in its ninth year rates remain unchanged. For Wirral Pupil Premium totals approximately £16m, although final allocations will be based on data collected in the January census for current numbers of Free School Meal's (and those over the previous 5 years) and LAC Census data collected in March 2019.

The grant for Universal Infant Free School Meals will remain at a meal rate of £2.30 per meal for the 2019-20 academic year.

It is unclear at this stage whether the SEND Implementation Grant, for which Wirral received £165k in 2018-19, will continue in 2019-20. Further details are expected to be confirmed in February.

The funding for Primary PE and Sport Premium, Year 7 Catch-up Premium, and Extended Rights to Home to School Transport will continue in 2019-20.

Teachers Pay Grant which funds schools for the teachers' pay award of up to 3.5% from September 2018, will continue in 2019-20 at the following rates:

- Primary £28.29 per pupil
- Secondary £45.56 per pupil
- Special £113.46 per pupil

3.10 INFLATION

Although the mainstream schools budget has received increased funding, there is no specific provision in the budget for pay awards. A pay award of up to 3.5% for Teachers from September 2018 was announced in July 2018, with a corresponding grant allocation for 2019-20 of up to 2.5%.

A 2% pay award for support staff was also agreed, together with a realignment of their lower pay scales which in total will cost mainstream schools approximately £1.8m. The additional cost over and above any increase in budget allocations and Teachers Pay Grant will need to be met from existing budgets.

An increase in employers' Teachers' Pension Scheme contributions from 16.48% to 23.6% is anticipated from September 2019. DfE have confirmed this will be fully funded in 2019-20 and consultation is currently underway on who should be funded for the increase. They are also in discussions with relevant sectors on the allocation mechanisms of this funding. Equivalent funding from 2020-21 will be considered as part of the Spending Review 2019.

There is no general provision for price inflation, although costs for school rates and PFI continue to reflect RPI increases.

3.11 CHANGES TO THE SCHOOLS FUNDING FORMULA

3.11.1 The Secretary of State confirmed details of updated National Funding Formula (NFF) for schools in July 2018. The format of the formula remains largely unchanged from 2018-19, with a few important changes / features:

- The funding floor will increase giving a 1% gain per pupil against 2017-18 baselines, while the gains cap will increase to 6.09% against 2017-18 baselines;
- The minimum per pupil funding levels have increased to £4,800 for secondary schools, and £3,500 for primary schools (from £4,600 and £3,300 respectively);
- Growth funding for 2019-20 will be allocated to Local Authorities on a formulaic approach, based on pupil data from the October 2018 census;
- The overall schools' block funding provided to local authorities to be ring-fenced, with some limited flexibility to transfer up to 0.5% out of the Schools Block to High Needs, subject to consultation and Schools' Forum approval.

3.11.2 Wirral remains responsible for agreeing the funding formula for schools until a "hard" formula is implemented, which is now expected in 2021-22. During this intervening time the NFF will run alongside any local formula for schools. This "soft" period is seen by the DfE as a transition, giving LA's flexibility to move towards the NFF and may also protect against turbulence.

The LA is required to consult with schools on any proposals to change the local schools funding formula. In addition School Forum members must also be consulted on their views. A consultation was conducted and included issues:

1. The 2019-20 funding formula;
2. Retaining a MFG of 0%, or reducing it to minus 1.5%;
3. Use of any "Headroom" monies;

3.11.3 The consultation included a number of funding formula models to consider. These included retaining the current formula, moving directly to the NFF, and 3 transitional formulas, each adopting one of the major changes of the NFF.

The most favoured formula in the consultation was a transitional formula, which was Wirral's current formula but with National Funding Formula values for Low Prior Attainment. This view was endorsed by Schools Forum on 7th November 2018.

The majority of responses (65%) supported retaining a 0% MFG, which would mean no school could lose per pupil funding compared to 2018-19. However, Schools Forum supported an MFG of minus 1.5% MFG, meaning schools could lose up to 1.5% per pupil funding compared to 2018-19.

3.11.4 Following subsequent feedback from Cabinet members, a revised formula has therefore been developed which adds an additional factor to ensure schools receive the minimum per pupil funding levels in the NFF (£3,500 for primary schools and £4,800 for secondary schools).

The schools budget also proposes a MFG of 0% for Wirral schools in 2019-20, which will provide additional protection and stability in funding and ensures no

school loses per pupil funding compared to 2018-19 budget allocations. It therefore ensures that no pupil is disadvantaged as a result of the change to the funding formula.

This revised formula was presented to Schools Forum on 16th January 2019 and was received positively.

- 3.11.5 It was the Schools Forum's view that de-delegated services, such as Schools Library Service, should continue to be offered as part of the schools budget in 2019-20 with the exception of Free School Meals eligibility, and that the funding to support former Council Education Services is maintained and increased.

3.12 CHANGES TO THE EARLY YEARS FUNDING FORMULA

No changes to the Early Years Funding Formula are proposed.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The budget for 2019/20 is compiled from the base budget for 2018/19 approved by Council on 5th March 2018 and updated for any issues identified in this report. The projected Schools budget is £267,661,400 and is shown in appendices 1 and 2.
- 4.2 The pressures described on High Needs budgets are reflected nationally, and will result in an in-year deficit of £2,343,200 on the DSG budget.
- 4.3 Wirral has commissioned independent advisors to carry out an in-depth review of SEN provision, with the objective of reallocating DSG resources to meet need and to prevent future overspends. Any resulting changes however, will not impact the budget until 2020-21.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The Council is required to agree a Budget for 2019/20 and to inform Primary and Secondary Schools of their individual budget allocations by 28 February (Special Schools and Early Years providers by 31 March).

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

- 6.1 The Schools Budget makes some limited provision for staff providing support to schools, mainly within budgets for Special Education Needs and Disabilities. Most staff however are employed directly by schools where these decisions are made by governing bodies.
- 6.2 Schools continue to receive some funding for assets and ICT through Formula Capital Grant Allocations. Most asset funding is directed through the Council's Capital Programme and includes school schemes funded by capital grant allocations for Condition and Basic Need.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

- 7.1 There are increasing cost pressures in schools arising from additional costs from pay awards and inflation, which will not be met in their entirety from increased budget allocations; instead they will need to be found from efficiency savings. These cost pressures are causing significant difficulties for schools across the country and Wirral is no exception.

7.2 Reports to the Schools Forum indicate that a number of schools are facing deficit budgets. Action is being taken to address the position with those schools and governing bodies concerned.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 Consultations with Headteachers and governors have been carried out regarding changes to the Schools funding formulae, and Schools Forum have supported the proposed budget.

8.2 Schools Forum however believe that schools and the Dedicated Schools Grant is underfunded by the Government, and that there is not enough money to support mainstream or High Needs pupils in Wirral in light of increasing pressures. The Chair of the Schools Forum will write to the Secretary of State for Education to express this view.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The budget and proposals contained in this report are supported by an Equality Impact Assessment.

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APPENDICES Appendix 1 – Schools Budget Changes 2019-20
Appendix 2 – Schools Budget 2019-20

SUBJECT HISTORY

Council Meeting	Date
Schools Forum – School Budget Report 2019/20	16 th January 2019
Cabinet – School Budget 2018/19	19 th February 2018
Schools Forum – School Budget Report 2018/19	17 th January 2018
Cabinet – School Budget 2017/18	20 th February 2017
Schools Forum – School Budget Report 2017/18	18 th January 2017
Cabinet – School Budget 2016/17	22 nd February 2016
Schools Forum – School Budget Report 2016/17	13 th January 2016

Appendix 1 - Schools Budget changes 2019-20

	£'000
Dedicated Schools Grant	264,166
Schools adj base budget	171,418
Add back 18-19 Academy & High Needs	86,761
	258,180
Change in ISB costs	
Net rising rolls	2,099
Rates and rents	95
Add back 18-19 Schools Block 0.5% top-slice	993
PFI affordability gap increase	121
Headroom	1,922
High Needs places	735
Early Years DAF increase	6
Early Years pupil numbers (3/4s)	914
Early Years pupil numbers (2s)	62
	6,947
Changes in SEN / High Needs	
Remove 18-19 Schools Block 0.5% top-slice	(993)
High Needs Contingency increase	30
EHCPS / IPFAs - additional needs	1,434
Top-up numbers/bands:	
AP	2
Bases	314
Special Schools	792
Further Education & Sixth Form	754
High Needs Inflation:	
	2,332
Other changes in central costs	
Increase PFI contracts (inflation)	189
Increase licence and subscription changes	14
	203
Total Schools Expenditure	267,661
Net Schools Budget 2018-19	3,496
Local Authority	1,153
High Needs in year deficit	2,343
	3,496

Appendix 2 - Schools Budget 2019-20

	Adj Estimate 2018-19	Base Estimate 2019-20
	£	£
Individual Schools Budget		
Primary	91,071,100	103,507,100
Secondary	22,004,300	99,383,400
Special	8,964,400	10,751,700
Wirral Hospital Schools	1,354,300	1,359,100
SEN Bases	1,012,000	1,647,000
Alternative Provision	0	883,300
6th Form / Further Education	0	1,318,500
Early Years	20,155,100	21,137,200
Individual Schools Budget Total	144,561,200	239,987,300
Central School Costs		
Early Years	518,700	518,700
Admissions	372,200	372,200
School Closure / Retirement Costs	60,000	60,000
Licenses and subscriptions	233,100	246,600
Schools Forum	10,600	10,600
Contribution to combined budgets	875,600	875,600
PFI Affordability Gap	963,400	1,152,700
Retained duties (ex-ESG)	730,000	730,000
Costs delegated to / de-delegated from schools		
Library service	180,900	0
Insurances	27,500	0
School Specific contingencies	95,800	0
Special Staff costs	647,700	0
School meals	19,300	0
Behaviour Support	81,300	0
School Improvement	166,100	0
General duties (ex-ESG)	499,300	0
High Needs pupils		
Statements	4,280,800	5,715,100
SEN top-ups	9,691,400	11,552,400
High Needs contingency	279,900	310,000
Independent Special Schools	3,700,000	3,700,000
High Needs Review (top-slice)	993,300	0
Home Tuition	400,500	400,500
Support for SEN	1,971,500	1,971,500
Special School Transport	58,200	58,200
Non-delegated school costs total	26,857,100	27,674,100
Total School and Central costs	171,418,300	267,661,400
Dedicated Schools Grant	(170,428,000)	(264,165,500)
In year High Needs deficit	0	(2,343,200)
and Total	990,300	1,152,700