
School Balances 2018/19

Report being considered by: Schools Forum on 17th June 2019

Report Author:

Item for: Discussion **By:** All Maintained Schools Representatives

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This report sets out for information purposes the year end balances for all maintained schools, highlighting those schools with a deficit or significant surplus.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 To note the report.

Will the recommendation require the matter to be referred to the Council or the Executive for final determination?	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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3. Introduction

- 3.1 This report provides an overview of maintained school balances as at the end of 2018/19 and highlights those schools with a deficit or significant surplus. This report does not represent all schools in West Berkshire.
- 3.2 The Scheme for Financing Schools states: "In order to control surplus balances, the authority will report the balances held by each school at the end of the financial year to the Schools' Forum. The Schools' Forum may request individual schools to provide further information and/or attend a meeting of the Heads Funding Group if the data reported raises any concerns regarding their financial management".

4. Overview of School Balances as at 31st March 2019

- 4.1 The schools' accounts for 2018/19 have now been closed and school balances at 31.3.2019 are £5.3m. The table below summarises the balances of West Berkshire

Maintained schools by fund.

2018/19 Balances by type of fund	Revenue				Community (Before & After school clubs)	Capital	Total Balances
	Main School Budget	Pupil Premium	Sports Fund	Revenue Total			
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Nursery Schools	89	0	0	89	6	90	185
Primary Schools	2,132	225	375	2,731	251	805	3,787
Secondary Schools	377	0	0	377	0	300	677
Special Schools	453	74	21	549	6	24	578
Pupil Referral Units	54	0	5	59	0	48	107
Total for all Schools	3,105	299	402	3,805	262	1,266	5,334
2017/18 Balance	2,303	295	317	2,915	245	567	3,726
Increase/-Decrease	802	4	85	891	18	699	1,608
% change	34.8%	1.2%	26.8%	30.6%	7.3%	123.3%	43.2%

- 4.2 Total balances have increased by £1.6m from 2017/18, mostly comprising of £802k in Main School Budget (MSB) and £699k in Capital.
- 4.3 The majority of the MSB change is due to the nine deficit schools reducing their combined Main School Budget deficits by £600k. Five of these schools are now out of deficit.
- 4.4 All schools have had to make tough decisions in order to improve their ongoing financial position. National agreements on funding are invariably agreed for a limited period of time, so cannot be relied upon for future budgeting purposes.
- 4.5 In the 2018 budget, the government announced an extra £400 million of capital funding for schools in England for 2018/19. West Berkshire was allocated £655k, allocated across each eligible institution as a lump sum of £3,000 and a variable amount based on a per-pupil amount of £32.10, weighted by the phase of the pupil. The funding was received in February 2019, leaving little time to spend the allocation before the end of the year. A list of capital allocations by school is at Appendix C.
- 4.6 The table below shows the increase/decrease by school category.

Total Balances Summary	As at 31/03/2018	Increase/-Decrease in year	As at 31/03/2019	Change
	£000	£000	£000	%
Nursery Schools	246	-62	185	-25.0%
Primary Schools	2,218	1,569	3,787	70.7%
Secondary Schools	480	197	677	41.0%
Special Schools	496	82	578	16.6%
Pupil Referral Units	286	-179	107	-62.6%
Total for all Schools	3,726	1,608	5,334	43.1%

For Primary schools the balance of £3.8m represents 7.7% of the 2018/19 funding allocation. For Secondary schools the balance of £677k represents 5% of the funding allocation. Secondary schools have removed the collective fund for supporting schools in financial difficulty, meaning that schools have to provide their own safety net.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1 The overall increase in maintained school balances has been achieved by schools striving to improve their financial position against a backdrop of uncertain future funding.
- 5.2 A list of all maintained schools balances is included in the Appendices.

6. Appendices

- 6.1 Appendix A – Main School Budget Balances Maintained Primary Schools
- 6.2 Appendix B – Main School Budget Balances Maintained Other Schools
- 6.3 Appendix C – Capital Funding

School Balances 2018/19

Appendix A	Main School Budget Balance	
	2017/18	2018/19
	£	£
Primary Schools		
Aldermaston Church of England Primary School	45,363	36,601
Basildon Church of England Primary School	2,952	10,918
Beedon Church of England (Controlled) Primary School	26,861	35,048
Beenham Primary School	-64,783	-40,676
Birch Copse Primary School	25,169	51,130
Bradfield Church of England Primary School	4,077	19,157
Brightwalton Church of England Aided Primary School	9,232	16,577
Brimpton Church of England Primary School	3,506	11,053
Bucklebury Church of England Primary School	25,631	6,565
Burghfield St Mary's Church of England Primary School	16,310	34,333
Calcot Schools Federation	129,103	197,284
Chaddleworth Shefford Federation Cof E Primary School	47,448	38,077
Chieveley Primary School	36,876	34,848
Cold Ash St Mark's Church of England Primary School	100,210	50,414
Compton Church of England Primary School	34,629	37,270
Curridge Primary School	26,022	31,964
Downsway Primary School	48,100	44,558
Enborne Church of England Primary School	14,962	-3,167
Englefield Church of England Primary School	35,110	36,071
Falkland Primary School	133,531	116,175
Francis Baily Primary School	38,684	91,427
Garland Junior School	52,629	36,014
Hampstead Norreys Church of England Primary School	5,766	42,026
Hermitage Primary School	11,226	11,233
Hungerford Primary School	52,054	73,899
Inkpen Primary School	22,427	28,399
John Rankin Schools Federation	-189,992	48,646
Kennet Valley Primary School	27,068	35,467
Kintbury St Mary's Church of England Primary School	-12,317	16,372
Lambourn Church of England Primary School	-30,171	0
Long Lane Primary School	-17,060	3,459
Mortimer St John's Church of England School	15,839	23,163
Mortimer St Mary's CofE Junior School	44,169	50,073
Mrs Bland's Infant School	9,150	17,275
Pangbourne Primary School	26,901	28,584
Parsons Down Schools Federation	-22,432	5,673
Purley Church of England Infant School	38,203	63,249
Robert Sandilands Primary School and Nursery	53,018	82,041
Shaw-cum-Donnington Church of England Primary School	32,043	35,057
Springfield Primary School	47,541	89,060
Spurcroft Primary School	52,785	211,676
St Finian's Catholic Primary School	-31,909	-56,722
St John the Evangelist Cof E Infant and Nursery School	-37,759	3,462
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School	49,633	9,730
St Nicolas Church of England Junior School	35,737	43,776
St Paul's Catholic Primary School	47,990	91,767
Stockcross Church of England School	1,155	-25,899
Streatley Church of England Voluntary Controlled School	105,998	87,502
Sulhamstead and Ufton Nervet CofE VA Primary School	-5,514	2,944
Thatcham Park Church of England Primary School	76,275	79,123
The Ilsleys' Primary School	-6,496	0
The Willows Primary School	-212,694	37,892
The Winchcombe School	96,787	99,263
Theale Church of England Primary School	7,723	6,703
Welford and Wickham Church of England Primary School	3,471	-13,208
Westwood Farm Schools Federation	-82,753	-18,764
Woolhampton Church of England Primary School	17,985	6,809
Yattendon Church of England Primary School	11,832	20,205
Total Primary Schools	1,035,304	2,131,574

Appendix B

	Main School Budget Balance	
	2017/18	2018/19
	£	£
Nursery Schools		
Hungerford Nursery School Centre for Children and Families	35,172	17,765
Victoria Park Nursery School	85,766	71,006
Total Nursery Schools	120,939	88,772

	Main School Budget Balance	
	2017/18	2018/19
	£	£
Secondary Schools		
The Downs School	290,539	173,786
Little Heath School	287,347	354,518
The Willink School	-98,684	-151,086
Total Secondary Schools	479,201	377,217
Special Schools		
Brookfields Special School	19,738	117,903
The Castle School	346,254	335,535
Total Special Schools	365,992	453,438
Pupil Referral Units		
iCollege Alternative Provision	252,095	53,871
Reintegration Service	0	0
Total PRUs	252,095	53,871

Appendix C – Capital Funding Allocations

School Name	Additional DFC £
Hungerford Nursery School Centre for Children	5,092
Victoria Park Nursery School & Family Hub	5,427
Beenham Primary School	5,664
Chieveley Primary School	9,741
Curridge Primary School	6,306
The Ilsleys Primary School	4,894
Hermitage Primary School	9,292
Hungerford Primary School	15,455
Inkpen Primary School	5,472
John Rankin Junior School	11,988
John Rankin Infant and Nursery School	12,125
Francis Baily Primary School	20,591
Birch Copse Primary School	16,610
Westwood Farm Junior School	10,062
Long Lane Primary School	9,677
Garland Junior School	10,094
Robert Sandilands Primary School and Nursery	11,423
Westwood Farm Infant School	8,874
Springfield Primary School	13,137
Falkland Primary School	17,509
Parsons Down Infant School	9,966
Mrs Bland's Infant School	8,990
Downsway Primary School	9,805
Kennet Valley Primary School	9,324
Parsons Down Junior School	12,887
Calcot Infant School and Nursery	11,429
Calcot Junior School	11,860
Spurcroft Primary School	17,554
Pangbourne Primary School	9,753
Aldermaston C.E. Primary School	8,778
Basildon C.E. Primary School	7,558
Beedon C.E. (Controlled) Primary School	4,484
Brimpton C.E. Primary School	4,605
Bucklebury C.E. Primary School	7,109
Burghfield St Mary's C.E. Primary School	9,516
Chaddleworth St Andrew's C.E. Primary School	4,315
Cold Ash St Mark's C.E. School	9,516
Compton C.E. Primary School	9,003
Hampstead Norreys C.E. Primary School	5,921
Kintbury St Mary's C.E. Primary School	7,462
Purley CofE Primary School	6,531
Shaw-cum-Donnington C.E. Primary School	6,082
Shefford C.E. Primary School	4,315
Mortimer St John's C.E. Infant School	8,810
Streatley C.E. Voluntary Controlled School	6,146
Theale C.E. Primary School	12,746
The Willink School	54,296
The Downs School	65,691
The Castle School	18,562
Brookfields Special School	24,860
Icollege Alternative Provision	9,934
The Winchcombe School	16,585
Thatcham Park CofE Primary	16,219
The Willows Primary School	15,050
Total	655,093