# **Schools Funding Formula 2021/22**

Report being

Schools Forum on 25 January 2021

By:

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Item for: Decision

All School Members/PVI

Representative

## 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To agree the final school funding formula allocations for 2021/22.

#### 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To note that the 2021/22 growth fund allocation of £604k is not required for growth, as the cumulative balance on the fund is sufficient. As a result a decision needs to be made either,
  - (a) To put the full 2021/22 allocation of £604k growth funding into the school formula and allocate to schools, or,
  - (b) To use £274k of the 2021/22 growth fund allocation to increase the High Needs Block transfer from 0.25% as previously agreed, to 0.5%, and put the balance of £330k into the school formula and allocate to schools. The HNB additional funding would be on a spend to save basis supporting initiatives that will support the block to reduce its annual expenditure over time.
- 2.2 To note the final formula rates and allocations to schools, subject to political ratification and allocation to schools by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021. The allocations have been made according to the principles agreed by Schools' Forum in December and in relation to the total funding available from the Schools Block DSG allocation.

Will the recommendation require the matter to be referred to the Council or the Executive for final determination?

Yes: □

No: □

#### 3. Introduction

- 3.1 2021/22 is the fourth year of the National Funding Formula (NFF). As in previous years, the Local Authority (LA) continues to have discretion over their schools funding formulae, in consultation with local schools. The LA is responsible for making the final decisions on the formula. Political ratification is required for the LA to be able to issue budgets to maintained schools before the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021.
- 3.2 A consultation was held between 21.10.20 and 11.11.20. The responses were considered by the Schools Forum in December 2020, and the following agreed:
  - (1) To mirror the DfE's 2021/22 National Funding Formula to calculate the funding allocations

- (2) To award a lower increase to the schools sparsity factor in the local formula
- (3) To address any surplus or shortfall in funding by adjusting the AWPU values
- (4) To apply a top slice of 0.25% to the schools' funding, in order to support High Needs
- (5) To approve the criteria for additional funds as per the consultation
- (6) To approve the proposed de-delegations.

## 4. Final School Funding

4.1 The final schools block DSG funding allocation for 2021/22 is £114.83m, and after the 0.25% HNB transfer of £0.27m, there is £114.56m available for schools, comprising £113.96m pupil/premises funding and £0.6m growth funding.

Final DSG Allocation	202	20/21	2021/22		
		£		£	
Primary schools unit of funding (£s)	£4,088		£4,443		
Number of pupils in primary schools	13,190		13,122		
Primary funding		53,921,775		58,296,060	
Secondary schools unit of funding (£s)	£5,108		£5,537		
Number of pupils in secondary schools	9,621		9,832		
Secondary funding		49,146,132		54,436,539	
Premises		1,487,173		1,495,197	
Growth funding		756,100		603,831	
Total allocation inlcuding pay and pensions		105,311,180		114,831,627	
0.25% HNB transfer		-263,285		-274,284	
Total school funding		105,047,895	•	114,557,343	

## 5. Growth Funding 2021/22

- 5.1 The main DSG funding for schools is lagged and based on pupil numbers from the previous October census. Since 2019/20, growth funding is allocated to the local authority by formula and forms part of the Schools Block DSG. The formula for allocating growth funding to each LA is based on actual growth in pupil numbers.
- The growth is measured within each 'middle layer super output area' (MSOA). In West Berkshire there are 22 MSOAs. Changes in pupil numbers between October 2019 and October 2020 are identified for each MSOA, although only positive increases are counted. A growth factor value is then applied:
  - (1) £1,505 for each primary growth pupil
  - (2) £2,250 for each secondary growth pupil
  - (3) £71,082 for each new school which opened in the previous year.
- 5.3 As it is within the schools block, a movement of funding between the schools formula and the growth fund is not treated as a transfer between blocks. If funding is not required for growth, it can be added into the school formula, but if there is a shortfall, this needs to be met from a top slice of the main schools' block allocation.

5.4 The cumulative balance on the growth fund was £666k at 31.3.2020. The 2020/21 DSG growth fund allocation of £756k was all put aside for growth, but with an estimated spend of £150k, the fund could total £1.27m by 31.3.2021.

Growth Fund	Budget £	Spend £	Cumulative Balance £		
2018/19	280,710	87,500	193,210		
2019/20	655,800	183,048	665,962		
2020/21	756,100	150,000	1,272,062		

- 5.5 The DSG growth funding allocation for 2021/22 is £604k. The projected balance of the growth fund is sufficient to meet growth, and therefore it is proposed to put all of the 2021/22 allocation into the school formula and not use it to further increase the growth fund. There are two options being proposed:
  - (a) To put the full 2021/22 allocation of £604k growth funding into the school formula and allocate to schools, or,
  - (b) To use £274k of the 2021/22 growth fund allocation to increase the High Needs Block transfer from 0.25% as previously agreed, to 0.5%, and put the balance of £330k into the school formula and allocate to schools. The HNB additional funding would be on a spend to save basis supporting initiatives that will support the block to reduce its annual expenditure over time.
- 5.6 The impact on overall school funding is shown below.

	Growth Fund increase & 0.25%	A) 2021/22 No Growth Fund & 0.25%	B) 2021/22 No Growth Fund & 0.5%		
DSG Allocation	transfer	transfer	transfer		
	£	£	£		
Total allocation inlcuding pay and pensions	114,831,627	114,831,627	114,831,627		
less Growth Fund	-603,831	0	0		
	114,227,796	114,831,627	114,831,627		
HNB transfer	-274,284	-274,284	-548,568		
Total school funding	113,953,512	114,557,343	114,283,059		

## 6. Formula Rates

Factor	National Rate	WBC National Rate (with ACA)	Final rate	National Rate	WBC National Rate (with ACA)	A) Rate at 0.25% transfer	B) Rate at 0.5% transfer	Final Total funding	A) Total Funding 0.25% transfer	B) Total Funding 0.5% transfer	
		2020/21			202:	1/22		2020/21	2021/22	2021/22	
Basic per pupil funding											
Primary AWPU	£2,857	£2,956	£2,941	£3,123	£3,231	£3,245	£3,230	£38,848,003	£42,643,505	£42,437,881	
KS3 AWPU	£4,018	£4,157	£4,137	£4,404	£4,557	£4,569	£4,547	£24,956,306	£28,286,309	£28,149,921	
KS4 AWPU	£4,561	£4,719	£4,696	£4,963	£5,135	£5,149	£5,124	£16,862,164	£18,762,507	£18,672,063	
Minimum per pupil											
Primary	£3,750			£4,180							
Secondary	£5,000			£5,415							
Additional needs funding											
Deprivation											
Primary FSM	£450	£466	£466	£460	£476	£476	£476				
Secondary FSM	£450	£466	£466	£460	£476	£476	£476	_		£4,459,755	
Primary FSM6	£560	£579	£579	£575	£595	£595	£595	_			
Secondary FSM6	£815	£843	£843	£840	£869	£869	£869	_			
Primary IDACI A	£600	£621	£621	£620	£642	£642	£642	_			
Primary IDACI B	£435	£450	£450	£475	£491	£491	£491				
Primary IDACI C	£405	£419	£419	£445	£460	£460	£460		£4,459,755		
Primary IDACI D	£375	£388	£388	£410	£424	£424	£424	£4,042,914			
Primary IDACI E	£250	£259	£259	£260	£269	£269	£269	14,042,914			
Primary IDACI F	£210	£217	£217	£215	£222	£222	£222				
Secondary IDACI A	£840	£869	£869	£865	£895	£895	£895				
Secondary IDACI B	£625	£647	£647	£680	£704	£704	£704				
Secondary IDACI C	£580	£600	£600	£630	£652	£652	£652				
Secondary IDACI D	£535	£554	£554	£580	£600	£600	£600				
Secondary IDACI E	£405	£419	£419	£415	£429	£429	£429				
Secondary IDACI F	£300	£310	£310	£310	£321	£321	£321				
Low Prior Attainment											
Primary LPA	£1,065	£1,102	£1,102	£1,095	£1,133	£1,133	£1,133	£3,879,823	£3,754,603	£3,754,603	
Secondary LPA	£1,610	£1,666	£1,686	£1,660	£1,718	£1,718	£1,718	£3,373,235	£3,693,631	£3,693,631	
English as an Additional Language											
Primary EAL	£535	£554	£554	£550	£569	£569	£569	£469,603	£458,637	£458,637	
Secondary EAL	£1,440	£1,490	£1,490	£1,485	£1,537	£1,537	£1,537	£136,152	£125,342	£125,342	
Mobility											
Primary Mobility	£875	£905	£905	£900	£931	£931	£931	£53,507	£19,555	£19,555	
Secondary Mobility	£1,250	£1,293	£1,293	£1,290	£1,335	£1,335	£1,335	£0	£0	£0	
School led funding											
Lump Sum											
Primary	£114,400	£118,370	£118,370	£117,800	£121,885	£121,885	£121,885	£9,065,145	£9,334,360	£9,334,360	
Secondary	£114,400	£118,370	£118,370	£117,800	£121,885	£121,885	£121,885				
Sparsity											
Primary	£26,000	£26,902	£26,902	£45,000	£46,562	£35,000	£35,000	£193,689	£257,078	£257,078	
Secondary	£67,600	£69,946	£69,946	£70,000	£72,428	£72,428	£72,428				
Premises	46715			46 '55							
Primary	18/19 estimate			19/20 estimate							
	18/19			19/20				£1,495,196	£1,566,240	£1,566,240	
Secondary	estimate			estimate							
Total Allocation (excluding minimum per	£103,375,737	£113,361,523	£112,929,067								
Additional funding to meet the minimum	£777,576	£1,061,934	£1,202,627								
Total Allocation including minimum fundi	£104,153,313	£114,423,457	£114,131,694								
MFG adjustment	£138,484	£133,887	£151,366								
Post MFG budget								£104,291,797	1	£114,283,060	
Growth fund									£0	£0	
Total for Schools Block allocation								£105,047,897	£114,557,344	£114,283,060	
Transfer to High Needs Block								£263,285	£274,284	£548,568	
DSG Schools Block DfE allocation									£114,831,628		
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Appendix A shows the two options for funding 2021/22 (based on Oct 2020 census), comparing to 2020/21 and to the 2021/22 provisional allocations (based on Oct 2019 census).

APPENDIX A): Funding formula 2021/	<b>'</b> 22	2020/21 FINAL ALLOCATION (after 0.25% HNB contribution) *Does not include teacher pay and pension  2021/22 PROVISIONAL ALLOCATION (after primary cap on sparsity and 0.25% HNB transfer)			(afte	21/22 ALLOC er primary ca rsity, 0.25% I fer and no g fund)	p on HNB	B) 2021/22 ALLOCATION (after primary cap on sparsity, 0.5% HNB transfer and no growth fund)					
School Name	Phase	Pupil count Oct 2019	Formula allocated	Per pupil funding	Pupil count Oct 2019	Indicative allocation	Per pupil funding	Pupil count Oct 2020	Indicative allocation	Per pupil funding	Pupil count Oct 2020	Indicative allocation	Per pupil funding
Aldermaston C.E. Primary School	Primary	148	£645,892		148	£706,510	£4,774	142	£689,831	£4,858	142	£687,609	£4,842
Basildon C.E. Primary School  Beedon C.E. (Controlled) Primary School	Primary Primary	153 49	637462 £306,572	4166 £6,257	153 49	680603 £340,428	4448 £6,948	151 50	£680,923 £351,751	£4,509 £7,035	151 50	£678,560 £350,969	£4,494 £7,019
Beenham Primary School	Primary	56	£322,114	£5,752	56	£343,589	£6,136	54	£338,000		54	£337,155	£6,244
Birch Copse Primary School	Primary	421	£1,603,634	£3,809	421	£1,784,880	£4,240	425	£1,801,600	£4,239	425	£1,801,600	£4,239
Bradfield C.E. Primary School Brightwalton C.E. Aided Primary School	Primary Primary	159 88	£650,845 £430,235	£4,093 £4,889	159 88	£701,613 £471,341	£4,413 £5,356	158 103	£703,174 £529,743	£4,450 £5,143	158 103	£700,702 £528,132	£4,435 £5,127
Brimpton C.E. Primary School	Primary	52	£314,852	£6,055	52	£337,534	£6,491	58	£361,866	£6,239	58	£361,866	£6,239
Bucklebury C.E. Primary School	Primary	118	£530,361	£4,495	118	£570,486	£4,835	111	£542,830	£4,890	111	£541,093	£4,875
Burghfield St Mary's C.E. Primary School Calcot Infant School and Nursery	Primary Primary	209 198	£820,786 £857,581	£3,927 £4,331	209 198	£889,332 £920,655	£4,255 £4,650	213 180	£908,879 £877,022	£4,267 £4,872	213 180	£905,902 £874,205	£4,253 £4,857
Calcot Imant School  Calcot Junior School	Primary	279	£1,153,506	£4,134	279	£1,234,951	£4,426	277	£1,217,080	£4,872	277	£1,217,080	£4,837
Chaddleworth St Andrew's C.E. Primary School		30	£234,519	£7,817	30	£255,084	£8,503	30	£255,084	£8,503	30	£255,084	£8,503
Chieveley Primary School	Primary	201 183	£788,005 £716,918	£3,920	201 183	£870,249	£4,330	203 177	£878,609	£4,328	203 177	£878,609	£4,328
Cold Ash St Mark's CE Primary School Compton C.E. Primary School	Primary Primary	194	£716,918 £794,950	£3,918 £4,098	194	£782,007 £859,456	£4,273 £4,430	187	£757,117 £837,186	£4,277 £4,477	187	£756,803 £834,260	£4,276 £4,461
Curridge Primary School	Primary	102	£450,807	£4,420	102	£482,851	£4,734	99	£473,986	£4,788	99	£472,437	£4,772
Denefield School	Secondary	973	£4,957,510	£5,095	973	£5,321,803	£5,469	960	£5,297,255	£5,518	960	£5,275,077	£5,495
Downsway Primary School Enborne C.E. Primary School	Primary Primary	214 70	£858,139 £355,120	£4,010 £5,073	214 70	£924,240 £378,148	£4,319 £5,402	213 73	£915,266 £389,087	£4,297 £5,330	213 73	£914,436 £389,087	£4,293 £5,330
Englefield C.E. Primary School	Primary	97	£436,424	£4,499	97	£468,198	£4,827	99	£473,642	£4,784	99	£472,093	£4,769
Falkland Primary School	Primary	453	£1,727,799	£3,814	453	£1,921,553	£4,242	424	£1,800,333	£4,246	424	£1,800,333	£4,246
Fir Tree Primary School and Nursery Francis Baily Primary School	Primary Primary	177 581	£789,068 £2,186,515	£4,458 £3,763	177 581	£842,466 £2,436,511	£4,760 £4,194	180 586	£862,818 £2,457,411	£4,793 £4,194	180 586	£860,002 £2,457,411	£4,778 £4,194
Garland Junior School	Primary	221	£915,935	£4,145	221	£991,532	£4,487	206	£934,451	£4,536	206	£931,227	£4,521
Hampstead Norreys C.E. Primary School	Primary	89	£432,073	£4,855	89	£464,207	£5,216	88	£456,631	£5,189	88	£455,254	£5,173
Hermitage Primary School	Primary	181 17.5	£732,987 £128,013	£4,050 £7,315	181 17.5	£789,291	£4,361 £7,727	183 17.5	£799,164 £135,967	£4,367 £7,770	183 17.5	£796,300 £135,694	£4,351 £7,754
Highwood Copse Primary School Hungerford Primary School	Primary Primary	357	£1,381,260	£3,869	357	£135,230 £1,534,408	£4,298	359	£1,542,768	£4,297	359	£1,542,768	£4,297
Inkpen Primary School	Primary	66	£343,139	£5,199	66	£366,455	£5,552	60	£353,698	£5,895	60	£352,759	£5,879
John O'gaunt School	Secondary	381	£2,193,069	£5,756	381	£2,364,654	£6,206	405	£2,508,476		405	£2,499,111	£6,171
John Rankin Infant and Nursery School John Rankin Junior School	Primary Primary	254 351	£983,078 £1,343,154	£3,870 £3,827	254 351	£1,081,094 £1,491,753	£4,256 £4,250	268 351	£1,139,614 £1,491,753	£4,252 £4,250	268 351	£1,139,614 £1,491,753	£4,252 £4,250
Kennet School	Secondary	1484	£7,502,709	£5,056	1484	£8,153,239	£5,494	1490	£8,255,356	£5,541	1490	£8,220,960	£5,517
Kennet Valley Primary School	Primary	197	£866,685	£4,399	197	£930,924	£4,726	193	£903,115	£4,679	193	£903,115	£4,679
Kintbury St Mary's C.E. Primary School Lambourn CofE Primary School	Primary Primary	159 177	£681,077 £773,146	£4,284 £4,368	159 177	£730,975 £821,575	£4,597 £4,642	145 166	£684,803 £794,616	£4,723 £4,787	145 166	£682,534 £792,018	£4,707 £4,771
Little Heath School	Secondary	1282	£6,564,380	£5,120	1282	£7,118,154	£5,552	1290	£7,269,468	£5,635	1290	£7,239,682	£5,612
Long Lane Primary School	Primary	214	£857,971	£4,009	214	£923,990	£4,318	214	£935,360	£4,371	214	£932,011	£4,355
Mortimer St John's C.E. Infant School  Mortimer St Mary's C.E. Junior School	Primary Primary	170 212	£702,643 £828.791	£4,133 £3,909	170 212	£756,222 £894,190	£4,448 £4,218	172 232	£759,839 £973,795	£4,418 £4,197	172 232	£757,147 £973,795	£4,402 £4,197
Mrs Bland's Infant School	Primary	174	£760,534	£4,371	174	£818,896	£4,706	176	£836,175	£4,751	176	£833,421	£4,735
Pangbourne Primary School	Primary	196	£806,010	£4,112	196	£867,279	£4,425	200	£881,564	£4,408	200	£878,435	£4,392
Park House School	Secondary	905	£4,627,987	£5,114	905	£4,999,351	£5,524	969	£5,402,326		969	£5,380,069	£5,552
Parsons Down Infant School Parsons Down Junior School	Primary Primary	135 268	£606,637 £1,059,734	£4,494 £3,954	135 268	£649,877 £1,151,244	£4,814 £4,296	129 232	£639,549 £1,007,239	£4,958 £4,342	129 232	£637,530 £1,003,609	£4,942 £4,326
Purley CofE Primary School	Primary	103	£481,999	£4,680	103	£516,155	£5,011	104	£520,530	£5,005	104	£518,903	£4,989
Robert Sandilands Primary School & Nursery	Primary	238	£1,011,898	£4,252	238	£1,072,444	£4,506	233	£1,056,696		233	£1,053,050	£4,520
Shaw-cum-Donnington C.E. Primary School Shefford C.E. Primary School	Primary Primary	80 44	£430,911 £303,915	£5,386 £6,907	80 44	£455,925 £330,331	£5,699 £7,508	86 53	£480,348 £367.062	£5,585 £6,926	86 53	£480,348 £366,233	£5,585 £6,910
Speenhamland School	Primary	311	£1,272,760	£4,092	311	£1,368,855	£4,401	298	£1,303,777	£4,375	298	£1,303,777	£4,375
Springfield Primary School	Primary	300	£1,150,779	£3,836	300	£1,279,100	£4,264	302	£1,287,460		302	£1,287,460	£4,263
Spurcroft Primary School St Bartholomew's School	Primary Secondary	446 1332	£1,736,503 £6,720,699	£3,894 £5,046	446 1332	£1,927,493 £7,292,002	£4,322 £5,474	450 1341	£1,944,213 £7,340,521	£4,320 £5,474	450 1341	£1,944,213 £7,340,521	£4,320 £5,474
St Finian's Catholic Primary School	Primary	186	£747,768	£4,020	186	£806,608	£4,337	194	£832,320		194	£7,340,521 £829,284	£4,275
St John the Evangelist C.E. Nursery and Infant	Primary	180	£732,554	£4,070	180	£795,498	£4,419	178	£784,526	£4,407	178	£781,741	£4,392
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School St Nicolas C.E. Junior School	Primary Primary	211 256	£884,671 £973,888	£4,193 £3,804	211 256	£964,701 £1,076,916	£4,572 £4,207	200 256	£912,330 £1,076,916		200 256	£909,200 £1,076,916	£4,546 £4,207
St Paul's Catholic Primary School	Primary	311	£1,183,211	£3,804	311	£1,304,760	£4,207	315	£1,076,916 £1,321,480	£4,207	315	£1,321,480	£4,207
Stockcross C.E. School	Primary	103	£456,670	£4,434	103	£489,072	£4,748	103	£493,687	£4,793	103	£492,076	
Streatley C.E. Voluntary Controlled School	Primary	99	£453,237	£4,578	99	£477,553	£4,824	102	£488,000	£4,784	102	£488,000	£4,784
Sulhamstead and Ufton Nervet School Thatcham Park CofE Primary	Primary Primary	101 349	£454,813 £1,383,105	£4,503 £3,963	101 349	£489,349 £1,497,284	£4,845 £4,290	100 340	£492,196 £1,480,530		100 340	£490,631 £1,475,210	£4,906 £4,339
The Downs School	Secondary	954	£4,797,446	£5,029	954	£5,193,463	£5,444	988	£5,377,573	£5,443	988	£5,377,573	£5,443
The IIsleys Primary School	Primary	67	£354,914	£5,297	67	£397,295	£5,930	63	£377,069	_	63	£376,083	£5,970
The Willink School The Willows Primary School	Secondary Primary	951 364	£4,862,677 £1,597,566	£5,113 £4,389	951 364	£5,258,941 £1,721,294	£5,530 £4,729	970 370	£5,395,608 £1,744,397	£5,562 £4,715	970 370	£5,373,259 £1,738,607	£5,539 £4,699
The Winchcombe School	Primary	438	£1,801,824	£4,389 £4,114	438	£1,721,294 £1,921,469	£4,729 £4,387	441	£1,744,397 £1,933,530		441	£1,738,607 £1,933,530	£4,384
Theale C.E. Primary School	Primary	312	£1,197,351	£3,838	312	£1,362,302	£4,366	310	£1,375,725	£4,438	310	£1,375,725	£4,438
Theale Green School	Secondary	439 923	£2,376,198 £4,911,911	£5,413	439 923	£2,568,904	£5,852	469 953	£2,773,439		469 953	£2,762,691	£5,891
Trinity School Welford and Wickham C.E. Primary School	Secondary Primary	923	£4,911,911 £468,364	£5,322 £4,779	923	£5,280,659 £522,114	£5,721 £5,328	953	£5,482,764 £488,539	£5,753 £5,552	953 88	£5,460,807 £487,162	£5,730 £5,536
Westwood Farm Infant School	Primary	177	£744,298	£4,205	177	£800,299	£4,521	177	£801,002		177	£798,233	£4,510
Westwood Farm Junior School	Primary	238	£957,249	£4,022	238	£1,030,442	£4,330	237	£1,033,294		237	£1,029,586	£4,344
Whitelands Park Primary School Woolhampton C.E. Primary School	Primary Primary	341 93	£1,320,379 £423,975	£3,872 £4,559	341 93	£1,443,208 £458,198	£4,232 £4,927	358 106	£1,503,402 £504,086	£4,199 £4,756	358 106	£1,502,363 £502,427	£4,197 £4,740
Yattendon C.E. Primary School	Primary	91	£437,639	£4,809	91	£485,695	£5,337	92	£478,100	£5,197	92	£476,661	£5,181
High Needs Block						£274,284			£274,284			£548,568	
Growth Fund Primary Total			£54,777,210			£59,596,189			£59,454,558			£0 £59,353,309	
Secondary Total			£54,777,210 £49,514,587			£53,551,169			£55,454,558 £55,102,786			£59,353,309 £54,929,751	
Total all Schools per DfE		22,832	£104,291,796		22,832	£113,421,642		22,976	£114,831,628		22,976	£114,831,628	