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Schools Funding Formula 2023/24

Committee considering report: Individual Executive Member Decisions

Date of Committee: 28 February 2023

Portfolio Member: Councillor Ross Mackinnon

Report Author: Melanie Ellis

Forward Plan Ref: ID4330

1 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To approve the school funding formula distribution for 2023/24.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 To approve the 2023/24 school funding formula to be distributed to schools. 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.
- 2.2 To note that the Authority Proforma Tool (APT) was submitted to the Department for Education (DfE) on 20 January 2023 with no approved block transfers.
- 2.3 To note that the final formula rates and allocations will be notified to schools by 28th February 2023.

3 Implications and Impact Assessment

Implication	Commentary
Financial:	Distribution of £125.8m to schools
Human Resource:	n/a
Legal:	Need to notify budgets to schools by 28.2.23
Risk Management:	n/a
Property:	n/a

Policy:	n/a			
	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Commentary
Equalities Impact:				
A Are there any aspects of the proposed decision, including how it is delivered or accessed, that could impact on inequality?		x		
B Will the proposed decision have an impact upon the lives of people with protected characteristics, including employees and service users?		x		
Environmental Impact:		х		
Health Impact:		х		
ICT Impact:		х		
Digital Services Impact:		х		
Council Strategy Priorities:		х		
Core Business:		х		
Data Impact:		х		

Consultation	on and
Engageme	nt:

Consulted with all schools in October/November 2022. Consulted with Heads Funding Group and Schools Forum.

4 Executive Summary

- 4.1 2023/24 is the first year of transition to the direct schools National Funding Formula (NFF). Each Local Authority (LA) will continue to have some discretion over their schools funding formulae, in consultation with local schools. The LA is responsible for making the final decisions on the formula.
- 4.2 Political ratification is required for the LA to be able to issue budgets to maintained schools. Allocations must be distributed to schools by 28th February 2023.
- 4.3 A consultation was held between 19 October 2022 and 9 November 2022. The responses were considered by the Schools Forum in December 2022, and a methodology for distributing the funding was agreed.
- 4.4 The final DSG funding notification was received from the DfE in December 2022 totalling £127.4m, including a growth allocation of £0.89m. The growth allocation will be distributed as part of the formula and not added to the Growth Fund. Total allocation to schools is £125.8m, after direct allocation of Business Rates funding.

5 Supporting Information

Introduction

- 5.2 A consultation was held between 19 October 2022 and 9 November 2022. The responses were considered by the Schools Forum in December 2022, and the following agreed:
 - (a) To mirror the Department for Education's (DfE) 2023/24 National Funding Formula (NFF) to calculate the funding allocations.
 - (b) To use the minimum sparsity factor.
 - (c) To address any surplus or shortfall in funding by adjusting the AWPU values.
 - (d) To not top slice any of the schools' funding to support the High Needs Block.
 - (e) To not reinstate the Falling Rolls fund.
 - (f) To approve the criteria to be used to allocate additional funds.
 - (g) To approve the proposed services to be de-delegated, but to cease the Primary Schools in Financial Difficulty Fund (PSIFD).
 - (h) To distribute the 2023/24 growth allocation as part of the funding formula.

- 5.3 At the Schools Forum in December 2022 it was agreed not to increase the Growth Fund but to distribute the 2023/24 growth allocation via the formula.
- 5.4 The final DSG funding notification was received from the DfE in December 2022 totalling £127.4m, including a growth allocation of £0.89m. The growth allocation will be distributed as part of the formula and not added to the Growth Fund. Total allocation to schools is £125.8m, after direct allocation of Business Rates funding.

Growth Funding 2023/24

- 5.5 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.
- 5.6 This funding can be put aside into a Growth Fund, where it can be awarded to schools under certain criteria. If 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. 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.
- 5.7 The cumulative balance on our Growth Fund was £1.3m at 31.3.2022 and is forecast to be £0.9m by 31.3.2023. The DSG growth funding for 2023/24 is £885k. The projected balance of our Growth Fund is sufficient, so the Schools' Forum agreed to put all the 2023/24 funding into the school formula to distribute to schools.

Final School Funding:

		2023/24				
	2022/23	Unit of	Number of	Total		
Schools Block	Total funding	funding	pupils	funding		
Primary	59,679,321	4,832.32	12,936.50	62,513,308		
Secondary	57,946,639	6,034.83	10,348.50	62,451,439		
Premises factor (NNDR)	1,566,240			1,589,347		
DfE allocation	119,192,200			126,554,094		
Growth	874,544			885,348		
Total block allocation	120,066,744			127,439,442		
Block transfer	- 300,165			-		
Total formula funding	119,766,579			127,439,442		
NNDR direct allocation	- 1,566,240			- 1,597,037		
Total schools block after deductions	118,200,339			125,842,405		

Formula Rates:

Factor		National Rate	WBC National Rate (with ACA)	Rate after 0.25% transfer & growth funding		National Rate	WBC National Rate (with ACA)	WBC final rate	Total Funding after 0.25% transfer & growth funding	Total Funding after 0% transfer & growth funding
	T		2022/23	Ŭ			2023/24		2022/23	2023/24
Basic per pupil funding										
Primary AWPU		£3,217	£3,329	£3,343		£3,394	£3,512	£3,501	£43,509,329	£45,367,600
KS3 AWPU		£4,536	£4,694	£4,714		£4,785	£4,952	£4,935	£29,826,898	£31,251,334
KS4 AWPU		£5,112	£5,290	£5,313		£5,393	£5,581	£5,563	£20,289,797	£22,367,127
Minimum per pupil										
Primary		£4,265	£4,265	£4,265		£4,405	£4,405	£4,405		
Secondary		£5,525	£5,525	£5,525		£5,715	£5,715	£5,715		
Additional needs funding	L									
Deprivation										
Primary FSM	H	£470	£486	£486		£480	£497	£497		
Secondary FSM	H	£470	£486	£486	_	£480	£497	£497		
Primary FSM6	H	£590	£611	£611		£705	£730	£730		
Secondary FSM6	Н	£865	£895	£895		£1,030	£1,066	£1,066		
Primary IDACI A		£640	£662	£662		£670	£693	£693		
Primary IDACI B		£490	£507	£507		£510	£528	£528		
Primary IDACI C		£460	£476	£476		£480	£497	£497	-	
Primary IDACI D		£420	£435	£435		£440	£455	£455	£5,065,044	£6,061,528
Primary IDACI E		£270	£279	£279		£280	£290	£290		,
Primary IDACI F		£220	£228	£228		£230	£238	£238		
Secondary IDACI A		£890	£921	£921		£930	£962	£962		
Secondary IDACI B		£700	£724	£724		£730	£755	£755		
Secondary IDACI C		£650	£673	£673		£680	£704	£704		
Secondary IDACI D		£595	£616	£616		£620	£642	£642		
Secondary IDACI E		£425	£440	£440		£445	£460	£460		
Secondary IDACI F		£320	£331	£331		£335	£347	£347		
Low Prior Attainment										
Primary LPA		£1,130	£1,169	£1,169		£1,155	£1,195	£1,195	£3,780,358	£4,146,645
Secondary LPA		£1,710	£1,769	£1,769		£1,750	£1,811	£1,811	£3,961,148	£4,137,677
English as an Additional Language										
Primary EAL		£565	£585	£585		£580	£600	£600	£492,907	£601,097
Secondary EAL	П	£1,530	£1,583	£1,583		£1,565	£1,619	£1,619	£166,597	£331,285
Mobility										
Primary Mobility		£925	£957	£957		£945	£978	£978	£54,461	£79,131
Secondary Mobility		£1,330	£1,376	£1,376		£1,360	£1,407	£1,407	£O	£O
School led funding	Г									
Lump Sum	П									
Primary		£121,300	£125,515	£125,515		£128,000	£132,454	£132,454		
Secondary	П	£121,300	£125,515	£125,515		£128,000	£132,454	£132,454	£9,664,655	£10,198,989
Sparsity	Г									
Primary	Т	£55,000	£56,911	£45,529		£56,300	£58,259	£48,015		
Secondary	П	£80,000	£82,780	£66,224		£81,900	£84,750	£69,850	£687,071	£742,348
Premises	П									
Primary	П									
Secondary									£1,558,549	£1,797,378
	П									
Total Allocation (excluding minimum per pupil funding level and MFG funding total)									£119,056,814	£127,082,139
Factor										Total Funding after 0% transfer & growth funding
Total Allocation (excluding minimum per pupil funding level and MFG funding total)									2022/23	2023/24
Total Allocation (excluding minimum pe	r pi	upil funding l	level and Mi	G funding to	ota	al)			2022/23 £119,056,814	2023/24 £127,082,139
Total Allocation (excluding minimum per	_			G funding to	ota	al)				
	m f	unding level		G funding to	ota	al)			£119,056,814	£127,082,139
Additional funding to meet the minimu	m f	unding level		G funding to	ota	al)			£119,056,814 £637,221	£127,082,139 £293,032
Additional funding to meet the minimum	m f	unding level		G funding to	ota	al)			£119,056,814 £637,221 £119,694,036	£127,082,139 £293,032 £127,375,171
Additional funding to meet the minimum Total Allocation including minimum fund MFG adjustment	m f	unding level		G funding to	ota	al)			£119,056,814 £637,221 £119,694,036 £72,543	£127,082,139 £293,032 £127,375,171 £64,271
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Additional funding to meet the minimum Total Allocation including minimum fund MFG adjustment Post MFG budget Other adjustments Growth fund Total funding for Schools Block Formula	m f	unding level		G funding to	ota	al)			£119,056,814 £637,221 £119,694,036 £72,543 £119,766,579 £0 £119,766,579	£127,082,139 £293,032 £127,375,171 £64,271 £127,439,442 £0 £127,439,442

Pro	posals
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5.8 To approve the final school funding formula allocations for 2023/24.

6 Appendices

6.1 Appendix A – Final school funding allocations

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Background	d Papers:				
School Foru	m papers between October 2022 and January 2023				
Subject to 0	Call-In:				
Yes: □	No: ⊠				
The item is o	due to be referred to Council for final approval				
Delays in im Council	plementation could have serious financial implications for the	\boxtimes			
Delays in implementation could compromise the Council's position					
	or reviewed by Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee or ask Groups within preceding six months				
Item is Urge	nt Key Decision				
Report is to	note only				
Officer deta	ils:				
Name: Job Title: Tel No:	Melanie Ellis Chief Management Accountant 01635 519142				

E-mail:

Appendix A

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APPENDIX A)		FINAL ALLO		FINA	AL ALLOCAT	ION	YEAR ON YEAR CHANGE			
PROVISIONAL ALLOCATIONS 2023/24					(no	block transf	er)			
School Name	Phase	Pupil count Oct 2021	Formula allocated	Per pupil funding	Pupil count Oct 2022	Formula allocated	Per pupil funding	2023/24 increase in total cash	2023/24 increase in per pupil total funding	% change
Aldermaston C.E. Primary School	Primary	131	£676,338	£5,163	120	£676,427	£5,637	£89		09
Basildon C.E. Primary School Beedon C.E. (Controlled) Primary School	Primary Primary	159 47	£721,532 £363,710	£4,538 £7,739	154 44	£744,845 £381,243	£4,837 £8,665	£23,313 £17,533	£299 £926	3°
Beenham Primary School	Primary	50	£377,963	£7,559	62	£485,322	£7,828	£107,358		229
Birch Copse Primary School	Primary	425	£1,837,575	£4,324	423	£1,892,243	£4,473	£54,668		39
Bradfield C.E. Primary School Brightwalton C.E. Aided Primary School	Primary Primary	156 99	£709,555 £520,871	£4,548 £5,261	142 99	£703,655 £553,940	£4,955 £5,595	-£5,900 £33,069	£407 £334	-19 69
Brimpton C.E. Primary School	Primary	54	£384,277	£7,116	59	£434,777	£7,369	£50,501	£253	139
Bucklebury C.E. Primary School	Primary	114	£574,625	£5,041	122	£647,386	£5,306	£72,761	£266	139
Burghfield St Mary's C.E. Primary School Calcot Infant School and Nursery	Primary Primary	204 201	£916,205 £998,552	£4,491 £4,968	214 218	£1,005,648 £1,117,402	£4,699 £5,126	£89,443 £118,850		109
Calcot Junior School	Primary	272	£1,266,995	£4,658	281	£1,386,750	£4,935	£119,756		99
Chaddleworth St Andrew's C.E. Primary School	Primary	30	£295,409	£9,847	23	£283,581	£12,330	-£11,827	£2,483	-49
Chieveley Primary School Cold Ash St Mark's CE Primary School	Primary Primary	198 178	£880,549 £776,115	£4,447 £4,360	191 187	£907,456 £856,254	£4,751 £4,579	£26,906 £80,139		109
Compton C.E. Primary School	Primary	188	£873,912	£4,648	183	£911,574	£4,981	£37,661	£333	49
Curridge Primary School	Primary	92	£477,390	£5,189	93	£532,825	£5,729	£55,435	£540	129
Denefield School Downsway Primary School	Secondary Primary	958 214	£5,478,345 £940,323	£5,719 £4,394	961 213	£5,789,777 £977,621	£6,025 £4,590	£311,432 £37,297	£306 £196	69 49
Enborne C.E. Primary School	Primary	75	£432,624	£5,768	77	£467,131	£6,067	£34,506		89
Englefield C.E. Primary School	Primary	105	£509,464	£4,852	109	£549,194	£5,038	£39,730	£186	89
Falkland Primary School Fir Tree Primary School and Nursery	Primary Primary	420 183	£1,819,150 £905,073	£4,331 £4,946	423 196	£1,891,219 £1,031,245	£4,471 £5,261	£72,070 £126,172		49 149
Francis Baily Primary School	Primary	557	£2,386,582	£4,285	549	£2,433,454	£4,433	£46,872	£148	29
Garland Junior School	Primary	230	£1,078,574	£4,689	235	£1,170,142	£4,979	£91,568		89
Hampstead Norreys C.E. Primary School Hermitage Primary School	Primary Primary	89 195	£526,053 £865,645	£5,911 £4,439	75 191	£501,854 £899,815	£6,691 £4,711	-£24,200 £34,170		-59 49
Highwood Copse Primary School	Primary	41.5	£269,377	£6,491	73.5	£452,647	£6,158	£183,271	-£333	689
Hungerford Primary School	Primary	348	£1,544,664	£4,439	360	£1,696,512	£4,713	£151,848		109
Inkpen Primary School John O'gaunt School	Primary Secondary	64 405	£436,733 £2,586,919	£6,824 £6,387	56 430	£436,665 £2,908,003	£7,798 £6,763	-£67 £321,084	£974 £375	09 129
John Rankin Infant and Nursery School	Primary	251	£1,095,149	£4,363	230	£1,096,459	£4,767	£1,310	£404	09
John Rankin Junior School	Primary	358	£1,551,186	£4,333	357	£1,608,436	£4,505	£57,250		49
Kennet School Kennet Valley Primary School	Secondary Primary	1512 204	£8,702,248 £981,989	£5,755 £4,814	1517 201	£9,258,071 £1,001,475	£6,103 £4,982	£555,823 £19,486	£347 £169	69 29
Kintbury St Mary's C.E. Primary School	Primary	145	£705,837	£4,868	140	£746,936	£5,335	£41,099		69
Lambourn CofE Primary School	Primary	169	£834,783	£4,940	157	£844,959	£5,382	£10,177	£442	19
Little Heath School Long Lane Primary School	Secondary Primary	1314 210	£7,636,913 £952,491	£5,812 £4,536	1325 214	£8,144,727 £1,024,705	£6,147 £4,788	£507,814 £72,213	£335 £253	79 89
Mortimer St John's C.E. Infant School	Primary	172	£786,682	£4,574	174	£843,232	£4,846	£56,550	£272	79
Mortimer St Mary's C.E. Junior School	Primary	237	£1,016,095	£4,287	242	£1,099,976	£4,545	£83,881	£258	89
Mrs Bland's Infant School Pangbourne Primary School	Primary Primary	155 191	£785,053 £870,610	£5,065 £4,558	154 174	£860,215 £868,807	£5,586 £4,993	£75,161 -£1,803	£521 £435	109
Park House School	Secondary	1037	£6,013,904	£5,799	975	£5,970,446	£6,124	-£43,458		-19
Parsons Down Infant School	Primary	107	£573,032	£5,355	117	£640,728	£5,476	£67,696		129
Parsons Down Junior School Purley CofE Primary School	Primary Primary	233 104	£1,059,760 £537,596	£4,548 £5,169	179 98	£894,024 £548,894	£4,995 £5,601	-£165,736 £11,298		-169 29
Robert Sandilands Primary School and Nursery	Primary	232	£1,084,868	£4,676	212	£1,063,208	£5,015	-£21,660		-29
Shaw-cum-Donnington C.E. Primary School	Primary	90	£503,662	£5,596	93	£541,841	£5,826	£38,179		89
Shefford C.E. Primary School Speenhamland School	Primary	60 278	£412,259 £1,253,033	£6,871 £4,507	56 276	£417,993 £1,348,299	£7,464 £4,885	£5,733 £95,266		19 89
Springfield Primary School	Primary	304	£1,321,510	£4,347	309	£1,408,217	£4,557	£86,707	£210	79
Spurcroft Primary School	Primary	417	£1,847,643	£4,431	398	£1,840,337	£4,624	-£7,307	£193	09
St Bartholomew's School St Finian's Catholic Primary School	Secondary Primary	1350 193	£7,537,756 £847,232	£5,584 £4,390	1353 196	£7,854,034 £895,697	£5,805 £4,570	£316,278 £48,465	£221 £180	49 69
St John the Evangelist C.E. Nursery and Infant Sch	Primary	178	£833,279	£4,681	180	£887,667	£4,931	£54,388		79
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School	Primary	203	£939,971	£4,630	213	£1,046,400	£4,913	£106,429		119
St Nicolas C.E. Junior School St Paul's Catholic Primary School	Primary Primary	247 319	£1,061,896 £1,365,893	£4,299 £4,282	251 304	£1,127,023 £1,374,123	£4,490 £4,520	£65,127 £8,230	£191 £238	69 19
Stockcross C.E. School	Primary	100	£529,528	£5,295	90	£524,376	£5,826	-£5,152	£531	-19
Streatley C.E. Voluntary Controlled School	Primary	103	£508,161	£4,934	99	£530,318	£5,357	£22,157	£423	49
Sulhamstead and Ufton Nervet School Thatcham Park CofE Primary	Primary Primary	95 325	£501,767 £1,466,096	£5,282 £4,511	102 337	£556,633 £1,577,042	£5,457 £4,680	£54,866 £110,946		119
The Downs School	Secondary	1016	£5,657,639	£5,569	1047	£6,118,444	£5,844	£460,805	£275	89
The Ilsleys Primary School	Primary	61	£396,896	£6,506	60	£418,719	£6,979	£21,823	£472	59
The Willink School The Willows Primary School	Secondary Primary	1007 336	£5,837,873 £1,644,272	£5,797 £4,894	1026 348	£6,305,557 £1,790,551	£6,146 £5,145	£467,684 £146,280	£348 £252	89 99
The Winchcombe School	Primary	448	£1,997,332	£4,458	441	£2,050,804	£4,650	£53,472	£192	39
Theale C.E. Primary School	Primary	311	£1,406,001	£4,521	318	£1,461,539	£4,596	£55,538	£75	49 239
Theale Green School Trinity School	Secondary Secondary	546 1001	£3,316,666 £5,966,687	£6,074 £5,961	634 1085	£4,075,274 £6,762,439	£6,428 £6,233	£758,609 £795,751	£353 £272	139
Welford and Wickham C.E. Primary School	Primary	80	£482,218	£6,028	72	£472,080	£6,557	-£10,138	£529	-29
Westwood Farm Infant School	Primary	180	£835,309	£4,641	179	£870,286	£4,862	£34,978		49
Westwood Farm Junior School Whitelands Park Primary School	Primary Primary	239 367	£1,078,954 £1,577,829	£4,514 £4,299	233 393	£1,110,438 £1,758,282	£4,766 £4,474	£31,484 £180,453	£251 £175	39 119
Woolhampton C.E. Primary School	Primary	102	£535,872	£5,254	100	£553,131	£5,531	£17,258	£278	39
Yattendon C.E. Primary School	Primary	90	£484,050	£5,378	90	£519,994	£5,778	£35,944	£399	79
Total formula funding Block Transfer			£119,766,579 £300,166			£127,439,442 £0		£7,672,863		
Total allocation			£120,066,745			£127,439,442				
Primary Total Secondary Total		23160	£61,031,629 £58,734,950		23313	£64,252,670 £63,186,772		£3,221,041 £4,451,823		
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