

Draft Schools Forum Work Programme 2025/26

	Item	HFG Deadline	Heads Funding Group	SF Deadline	Schools Forum	Action required	Author
Term 5	Election of Chair and Vice-Chair 2025/26			10/06/2025	16/06/2025	Decision	
	Work programme 2025/26			10/06/2025	16/06/2025	Decision	Jessica Bailiss
	School Balances 2024/25	14/05/2025	21/05/2025	10/06/2025	16/06/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	DSG Outturn 2024/25	14/05/2025	21/05/2025	10/06/2025	16/06/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Trade Union Facilities Time - Annual Report for 2024/25			10/06/2025	16/06/2025	Discussion/Comment	Richard Hand
Term 6	Scheme for Financing Schools Consultation 2025/26	14/05/2025	21/05/2025	10/06/2025	16/06/2025	Decision	Lisa Potts
	Update from Schools' Forum Task and Finish Group - Governance Review			08/07/2025	14/07/2025	Decision	Member of the Task and Finish Group
	Scheme for Financing Schools 2025/26	24/06/2025	01/07/2025	08/07/2025	14/07/2025	Decision	Lisa Potts
	Surplus Balances and School Balance Statements	24/06/2025	01/07/2025	08/07/2025	14/07/2025	Decision	Lisa Potts
Term 1	Deficit Schools	24/06/2025	01/07/2025	08/07/2025	14/07/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Schools Funding Formula Consultation 2026/27	24/09/2025	01/10/2025	07/10/2025	13/10/2025	Decision	Lisa Potts
	Schools' Forum - Governance Review			07/10/2025	13/10/2025	Decision	Schools' Forum Task and Finish Group (Governance)
	Education Budget Monitoring - Quarter 1			07/10/2025	13/10/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	DSG Monitoring 2025/26 - Quarter 2			07/10/2025	13/10/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts/Neil Goddard
	Vulnerable Children's Fund - Annual Report for 2024/25			07/10/2025	13/10/2025	Discussion/Comment	Vanessa Grizzle
Term 2	Deficit Schools	24/09/2025	01/10/2025	07/10/2025	13/10/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Heads' Funding Group Terms of Reference	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Decision	HFG
	School Funding Formula 2026/27	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Decision	Lisa Potts
	Budgets for Additional Funds 2026/27	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Decision	Lisa Potts
	Therapeutic Thinking Report	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Decision	Vanessa Grizzle
	Provisional DSG Funding Settlement Overview 2026/27	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Early Years Budget 2025/26 - In Year Position	24/09/2025	01/10/2025	07/10/2025	13/10/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts/Beth Kelly
	Draft Central Schools Block Budget 2026/27	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	High Needs Block Budget Proposals 2026/17	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Discussion/Comment	Neil Goddard/Kirsty Jinks
Term 3	Education Budget Monitoring - Quarter 2			25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Draft De-delegations 2026/27	11/11/2025	18/11/2025	25/11/2025	01/12/2025	Decision	Lisa Potts
	Work Programme 2026/27	24/02/2026	03/03/2026	09/03/2026	16/03/2026	Decision	Jessica Bailiss
	Early Years Funding Rates to Providers and 2026/27	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Decision	Lisa Potts/Beth Kelly
	Early Years Budget						
	Central School Block Budget Proposals 2026/27	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Decision	Lisa Potts
	Final DSG Funding Settlement Overview 2026/27	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Final School Funding 2026/27	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Growth Fund Applications 2025/26	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	High Needs Block Budget Proposals 2026/27	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Discussion/Comment	Neil Goddard/Kirsty Jinks
Term 3	DSG Monitoring 2025/26 - Quarter 3			13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts/Neil Goddard
	Deficit Schools	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Final De-delegations 2026/27	17/12/2025	07/01/2026	13/01/2026	19/01/2026	Decision	Lisa Potts
	16th MARCH 2026 - Schools' Forum Training Session - details to be confirmed						

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Note: Included for information only and will be brought to Schools' Forum in January 2026 for consideration and agreement.

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Term 5	Election of Chair and Vice-Chair 2026/27	June 2026 - Meeting dates to be confirmed				Decision	
	School Balances 2025/26					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	DSG Outturn 2025/26					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Vulnerable Children's Fund - Annual Report for 2025/26					Discussion/Comment	Vanessa Grizzle
	Trade Union Facilities Time - Annual Report for 2025/26					Discussion/Comment	Richard Hand
	Scheme for Financing Schools Consultation 2026/27					Decision	Lisa Potts
Term 6	Scheme for Financing Schools 2026/27	July 2026 - Meeting dates to be confirmed				Decision	Lisa Potts
	Surplus Balances and School Balance Statements					Decision	Lisa Potts
	Deficit Schools					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
Term 1	Schools Funding Formula Consultation 2027/28	October 2026 - Meeting dates to be confirmed				Decision	Lisa Potts
	Draft High Needs Budget Proposals 2027/28					Discussion/Comment	Neil Goddard/Kirsty Jinks
	Early Years Budget 2026/27 - In Year Position					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Education Budget Moniroring - Quarter 1					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	DSG Monitoring 2026/27 - Quarter 2					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts/Neil Goddard
	Deficit Schools					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Draft De-delegations 2027/28					Decision	Lisa Potts
Term 2	School Funding Formula 2027/28	December 2026 - Meeting dates to be confirmed				Decision	Lisa Potts
	Budgets for Additional Funds 2027/28					Decision	Lisa Potts
	Provisional DSG Funding Settlement Overview 2026/27					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Draft Central Schools Block Budget 2027/28					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	High Needs Block Budget Proposals 2027/28					Discussion/Comment	Neil Goddard/Kirsty Jinks
	Final De-delegations 2026/27					Decision	Lisa Potts
Term 3	Work Programme 2027/28	January 2027 - Meeting dates to be confirmed				Decision	Jessica Bailiss
	Early Years Funding Rates to Providers and 2026/27					Decision	Lisa Potts/Beth Kelly
	Early Years Budget						
	Central School Block Budget Proposals 2027/28					Decision	Lisa Potts
	Final DSG Funding Settlement Overview 2027/28					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Final School Funding 2027/28					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	Growth Fund Applications 2026/27					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	High Needs Block Budget Proposals 2027/28					Discussion/Comment	Neil Goddard/Kirsty Jinks
	Education Budget Moniroring - Quarter 2					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
	DSG Monitoring 2025/26 - Quarter 3					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts/Neil Goddard
	Deficit Schools					Discussion/Comment	Lisa Potts
MARCH 2027 - Schools' Forum Training Session							