MEETING

SCHOOLS FORUM

DATE AND TIME

THURSDAY 1ST FEBRUARY, 2018

AT 4.00 PM

<u>VENUE</u>

BEST HUB, LANACRE AVENUE, GRAHAME PARK, COLINDALE, LONDON NW9 5FN

TO: MEMBERS OF SCHOOLS FORUM

Chairman: Gilbert Knight Vice Chairman: Simon Horne

Members:

Andrew McClusky Joanne Kelly Angela Trigg John Bowra Anthony Vourou Jude Stone Ayalah Hirst Keith Nason Annette Long Lesley Ludlow David Byrne Nigel Taylor **Gavin Smith** Robin Archibald Gilbert Knight **Ruth Taylor** Sarah Vipond Ian Kingham Simon Horne Jeanette Adak Jo Djora

Councillors:

Reuben Thompstone

Substitute Members:

Beata Felmer (for Angela Trigg)
Marc Lewis (for Gavin Smith)
Kit Davies (for David Byrne)
Jane Harris (for Nigel Taylor)
Ian Stewart (for Andrew McClusky)
Siobhan O'Connell (for Sarah Vipond)



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You are requested to attend the above meeting for which an agenda is attached.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item No	Title of Report	Pages
1.	Apologies	
2.	Welcome to new members	
3.	Declarations of interest	
4.	Minutes of previous meeting	5 - 12
	Minutes of the Schools Forum meeting held on 7 December 2017.	
5.	Matters arising	
6.	Items for information	
a.	2017/18 Budget monitoring and revised budget	13 - 14
	Recommendation:	
	(i) Schools Forum are asked to comment and agree the DSG position for 2017/18	
7.	Towards a National Funding Formula	
	Includes January 2018 Authority Proforma Tool submission and 2018/19 Early years funding rates.	
a)	2018/19 Draft budget	15 - 22
	Recommendations:	
	That the Schools Forum:	
	(ii) Notes the council's decision to implement the school funding formula contained in this report, in line with option 2 from the consultation on the Barnet School Funding formula – the National Funding Formula with additional protection.	
	(iii) Approves the proposal for a Minimum Funding Guarantee of 0% and a gap on gains of +0.24% in per pupil funding.	
	(iv) Approves the proposed allocations of High Needs budgets as set out in Appendix B and the SEN and PRU funding arrangements set out in more detail in the separate paper on High Needs funding.	
	(v) Approves the proposed central expenditure on early years as set out in Appendix B (S251 line 1.3.1) subject to a	

	further report on early years funding arrangements, once the DSG allocation is confirmed (based on the January 2018) census.	
	(vi) Approves the proposed other central expenditure allocations as set out in Appendix, including the contributions to combined budgets, school admissions, servicing of schools forum, pupil growth, other items (£2.108m) and former ESG retained duties.	
	(vii) Notes that the council's Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting on 13 February will be asked to approve the draft (gross) Schools budget (DSG) of £327.313m, to note the draft Post-16 budget of £5.417m and to agree that any changes to the budget reasonably required as a result of the final 2018/19 DSG and Post-16 settlement are delegated for decision to the Strategic Director - Children & Young People in consultation with the Director of Resources.	
b)	High Needs review	23 - 34
	The recommendations are as follows:	
	(viii) To approve the proposed place numbers to be commissioned for 2018-19.	
	(ix) To agree to the proposed approach towards ARP top up values.	
	(x) To note and approve the draft HN budget as shown in Appendix C.	
	(xi) To note the outcome of the SEND Review and the specific plans for meeting needs through to 2025.	
8.	Draft agenda for next meeting	
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	Apologies for absenceDeclarations of interest	
	Minutes of previous meeting	
	Matters arisingItems for information: 2017/18 Budget monitoring	

	 Towards a National Funding Formula Update on High Needs Draft agenda for next meeting AOB Dates of future meetings 	
9.	Any other business	
10.	Dates of future meetings Tuesday, 15 th May 2018 Venue: Friern Barnet school, Hemington avenue, London N11 3LS Provisional July dates: 3 rd or 5 th July 2018.	
11.	Appendices	35 - 40

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