

8b 2018/19 budget monitoring

The M3 DSG monitoring position is based on the revised block income figures shown at item 8.1. The Schools, Early Years and Central Services block are all projected to spend to budget, but the HN block expenditure is currently projecting a full-year overspend of £0.490m (this is in addition to the use of £0.501 brought forward reserves to cover the joint placement costs).

The variances in projections by s251 line numbers are as follows:

1.2.1 – Projected overspend £0.123m

- increased top-ups in Barnet maintained primary schools
- increased top-ups in OOB maintained special schools
- reduction in top-ups at Barnet maintained special schools

1.2.2 – Projected overspend £0.322m

- Increased top-ups in Barnet secondary Academies
- Increased top-ups in OOB Academy special schools

1.2.3 - Projected overspend £0.025

- Increased top-ups in Non-maintained Residential special schools

The new Assistant Director, SEND & Inclusion will be negotiating costs with providers in order to mitigate this overspend, but further action will be required to manage the HN block expenditure going forward. Details of future proposals on this are covered at item 9.2 - LBB proposals.

We are asking Schools Forum to:

(v) note and agree the M3 projected position, and to receive further 2018/19 budget monitoring reports at future meetings.