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Meeting: Schools Forum
Date: Thursday 20th January, 2022
Time: 1.00 pm
Venue: Remote Meeting via Zoom

To members of the North Northamptonshire Schools Forum.

*Vote required

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- a) de-delegation is limited to the specific primary and secondary phase of maintained schools members;
- b) amendments to the school funding formula, for which the voting is restricted by the exclusion of non-schools members, except for PVI representatives; and
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Minutes of a meeting of the Schools Forum

Held as a Remote Meeting via Zoom at 2.00 pm on Thursday 16th December, 2021

Present:-

Members

James Birkett (Chair)
Peter Cantley
Ron Hardcastle
Pat Kelly
Annabel Moore
Jo Sanchez-Thompson

Sandra Appleby
Joshua Coleman
Siobhan Hearne
Nikki Lamond
Angela Prodger

Officers

Ann Marie Dodds
Jo Hutchinson
Kelly Mills
Yoke O'Brien
Raj Sohal

Also in attendance –

Councillor Scott Edwards
Charlotte Franks
Richard Poole

16 Apologies for non-attendance, Forum membership changes and declarations of interest

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Lee Hughes (with Annabel Moore attending as a substitute), Peter Leaver, Paul Wheeler (with Joshua Coleman attending as a substitute) and Ron Whittaker.

It was also reported that Kevin Latham had resigned from the North Northamptonshire Schools Forum, as the special academy representative.

17 Minutes of meeting held on 4 November 2021 and points arising/officer feedback

RESOLVED that:

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2021 were approved as a correct record.

18 DSG Finance Update (Verbal Update)

The Forum considered a verbal update by Ann Marie Dodds (Assistant Director for Education), outlining DSG finances. The Assistant Director explained to Forum

members that a more detailed report would be brought to the subsequent January meeting.

During discussion, the principal points were noted:

- The primary maintained representative questioned whether applications for high needs top-up funding were now being accepted, as previous guidance in March 2021 had stated that schools could not apply for additional funding in this area.
- Members queried what considerations were in place, around reducing the high needs overspend, in relation to out of county placements.
- One member expressed concern regarding the authority's proposed move to a cluster-based model, due to the fact that similar approaches had been taken in the past, leaving Forum members unaware of where funding had gone. The member emphasised that the North Northamptonshire Schools Forum would require full transparency going forward, regarding structural changes. Another member suggested that it could be helpful for the Forum to look at how other local authorities, in similar high needs overspend situations, responded using a cluster-based model; or other alternatives.
- Regarding the authority's capacity to drive forward a new agenda for SEND, members expressed concern regarding staff vacancies within the North Northamptonshire Council EHC team. Members stated that capable staff with strong expertise would be needed to forge a partnership and proceed with finding solutions to this issue.

In response, the Assistant Director for Education clarified that:

- It had become clear that there had been a number of arrangements and routes to access high needs funding, but there had not been parity across sectors in accessing this funding. The authority was in the process of carrying out work to understand how and where historical decisions had been made to award funding to schools. The Assistant Director explained that a number of questions existed around funding that had been provided through SLAs. The authority would need time to outline every line of funding.
- A SEND accountability board had been established, as a multi-agency partnership, to explore solutions. Regarding out of county placements, the authority was looking at arrangements, while maintaining a preference to move towards a cluster-based model to support SEND and alternate provisions. The culmination of this work would pick up in January 22, to explore how the overspend may be recouped. North Northamptonshire Council was not planning a collaborative approach with the West, but instead rather with schools across North Northamptonshire. Nevertheless, at the time of the meeting, no final decisions had been made.
- While services had experienced issues regarding lost resources, in the short term, the local authority would be investing £750k in the education health and care service, which would include 12 additional practitioners to pick up education health and care plans. The Assistant Director assured the Forum that

conversations regarding the pressure on the SEN agenda were taking place at every level within service areas of the local authority.

The Chair explained that a substantive agenda item on high needs funding would come to the forum meeting in January.

RESOLVED that:

The report be noted.

19 Feedback on Consultation Process

The Forum considered a verbal item by the Chair regarding the consultation process and its successes and failures. The Chair explained that the authority had received 33 responses to its schools consultation, which officers maintained had been good engagement.

During discussion, the principal points were noted:

- Responses to school consultations were often weak, due to time sensitivity.
- One member commented that the physical process by which the consultation feedback was returned could have been easier and would like to see more digital avenues for response in future. The member also expressed concern that allowing only one response for each school would limit participation.
- Another Forum member explained that schools often struggled to fully understand and grasp the complexities of what they had been requested to make decisions on. They also supported using a wider sample of views and ideas collectively, to include more people in these discussions.
- The Chair agreed that head teachers should be in positions to make informed decisions and shared concern that Forum members held an advantage over colleagues within their respective sectors. He suggested that the contact details of Forum members could be circulated to local head teachers, should they have any queries or require further information.

RESOLVED that:

The report be noted.

20 Feedback from Consultation - Votes

The Forum considered a report by the Assistant Director for Education, which summarised the responses received from the Schools' consultation.

The Assistant Director explained that the dominant feedback from the consultation opposed a 1.3% transfer from the Schools Block to the High Needs Block of the DSG. Therefore, the authority would not seek to pursue this transfer and instead proceed with the previously agreed transfer of 0.5%.

RESOLVED that:

The report be noted.

21 Funding Formula*

The Forum voted unanimously to agree the authority's preferred funding formula.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the funding formula.

22 Methodology to bring the budget into balance*

The Forum considered two options, proposed by the authority, to bring the budget back into balance.

The first option would be to apply the national funding formula with a minimum funding guarantee, adjusted for area cost.

The second option would be a cap on pupil increases, again with a minimum funding guarantee.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the first preferred option, to apply the tweaked national funding formula.

23 Funding of Outreach Services*

The Forum considered a report by the Assistant Director for Education, which outlined the proposed models for funding sensory impairment services and specialist support services.

Due to the fact that the Forum had decided not to transfer 1.3% of funds from the Schools Block to the High Needs Block, which would have funded these services, the authority proposed that a traded model be adopted.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the adoption of a fully-traded model option for the funding of outreach services.

24 Split Site Funding Policy*

The Forum voted unanimously to agree the split site policy and rate of funding.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the split site policy.

25 Pupil Growth Fund*

The Forum voted unanimously to agree the pupil growth fund policy and rate of funding.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the pupil growth fund policy and rate of funding.

26 Permanent Exclusion Clawback Policy*

The Forum voted unanimously to agree the proposed change to the exclusion clawback policy.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the exclusion clawback policy.

27 Central School Services Block*

The Forum voted unanimously in favour of the authority's plans to fund services from the Central School Services Block.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the continuation of central services partly funded by the DSG.

28 De-delegation for Trade Union Facility Time*

The Forum voted in favour of the de-delegation of facility time in both primary maintained and secondary maintained sectors.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum agrees the de-delegation for trade union time.

29 De-delegation for School Effectiveness*

The Forum members from the primary maintained sector voted unanimously to agree the policy of de-delegation for school effectiveness, but abstained from voting to agree the rate of funding.

Officers assured the Forum that the adjusted rate would be brought back at a future meeting, for approval.

The Forum member from the secondary maintained sector also abstained from the vote to agree the de-delegation for school effectiveness. Similarly, officers would bring the adjusted rate back to Forum in January.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum does not agree the de-delegation for school effectiveness. This will return at a future meeting of the North Northamptonshire Schools Forum.

30 De-delegation for Redundancy Costs*

The Forum members from the primary maintained sector voted unanimously against the de-delegation for redundancy costs.

Officers assured the Forum that the authority would consider how to utilise the funds it held and would again, adjust its proposed policy, to be brought back at a future meeting.

The Forum member from the secondary maintained sector voted against the establishment of a de-delegated redundancy cost fund.

RESOLVED that:

The Forum does not agree the de-delegation for redundancy costs. This will return at a future meeting of the North Northamptonshire Schools Forum.

31 Schools Forum Plan

The next meeting of the North Northamptonshire Schools Forum would be held on 19th January 2021.

RESOLVED that:

The report be noted.

32 Urgent Business

There was no urgent business.



North Northamptonshire Schools Forum: 20th January 2022

Agenda Item 3

High Needs Block 2021-22 and 2022-23

Background

The purpose of this report is to update School's Forum on:

- the forecast outturn position for the High Needs Block element of the Dedicated Schools Grant in for 2021/22,
- the provisional allocation of High needs Block funding for 2022/23
- proposed actions to begin to develop a sustainable, affordable and resilient High Needs funding approach for North Northamptonshire Council

Context

The Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) is a ring fenced Department for Education (DFE) grant of which the majority is used to fund individual schools budgets in maintained schools and academies. It also funds Early Years nursery entitlement for 2, 3 and 4 year olds in maintained council nursery classes and private, voluntary and independent (PVI) nurseries as well as provision for pupils with High Needs including those with Education Health & Care Plan (EHCPs) in special schools, special provision and mainstream schools and out of area. The DSG is split into four blocks: Schools block, Central School Services Block, Early Years Block and High Needs Block.

The High Needs Block (HNB) is responsible for funding the following:

- Place funding at £10k per place for all special school/ academies/ AP schools/ academies
- Place funding at £6k/ £10k per place for occupied/ unoccupied special places within specialist resource provision operated by mainstream schools
- Top up funding for any SEND/ AP pupil, including the full cost of independent provision.
- Service agreements for specialist support services such as outreach services, speech and language therapy services and specialist support services for hearing impairment and visual impairment Through an adjustment the HNB pays for the place funding at out of area special school/ Academy places and Non-Maintained Special school placements at £10k per place

In recent years there has been considerable growth in pupils identified as having SEND and in those requiring an EHCP, pupils requiring Alternative Provision (AP) and pupils requiring specialist provision. This shows no signs of abating. As a result, many LA have found that the HNB has been insufficient to fully meet identified needs and that they are managing. This has been exacerbated by the longer term implications of changing legislation which has, amongst other issues, increased the age range for which EHCPs are funded, from 18 to 25, and increased awareness from schools and parents that an EHCP can be a route to attracting additional resources.

Where the DSG overspends, an LA can carry forward this deficit with a view to meeting this from future DSG allocations. North Northamptonshire Council (NNC) inherited an overspend of £2.115m on the HNB element of the DSG from Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) at the point of Local Government Reorganisation. This reflected local pressures on the HNB as a result of increased

numbers of pupils with needs that must be met, demographics and sufficiency issues, these issues are ongoing and increasing.

Recent medical advances and the improved identification processes for pupils with a range of SEND, mean that without significant 'intervention', the LA does not expect the prevalence of EHCPs and the demand/ need for more specialist and AP across NNC to reduce. Currently, there is year-on year growth in these areas and with this unsustainable demand on the HNB.

Along with a growth in the prevalence of EHCPs, demographic pupil number growth is also occurring. This has contributed to the growth in the number of pupils requiring an EHCP and this is to be expected. More recently, this increase in pupil numbers is impacting more significantly on secondary schools, where, historically, the majority of permanent exclusions occur. There is concern that with this increase in pupil numbers, the secondary phase will experience a combined and significant growth in pupils requiring an EHCP, specialist provision and/ or alternative provision.

The continued pressure on local sufficiency also impacts on wider outcomes for children with SEND. This includes preparation for adulthood, participation in society and healthy outcomes. With increasing numbers of children placed out of area there are reduced opportunities for independent travel planning and additional pressure on transport costs.

While LAs, including NNC, have, in partnership with schools, increased capacity in these areas, it is clear that additional places are still needed, to ensure sufficiency and reduce the reliance on high cost Independent Non Maintained Special School placements.

In NNC the cumulative impact of these pressures is a projected overspend in the HNB for 2021/22 of circa £0.3m to be added to the carried forward deficit of £2.115m. This is clearly not a sustainable position, and as such a DSG Management Plan will be required to show how the HNB will be brought back in to balance. This will be submitted to DFE for their consideration and approval and further details of this will be brought forward to the March meeting of the School's Forum

In NNC the profile of how and where pupil's needs are met is changing. The proportion children with an Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP), in a mainstream setting is low when set against national comparators. This is, in part, the result of previous local policy guidance about when an EHCP should be requested, how needs should be met and how support is funded in mainstream schools. NNC is committed to increasing the proportion of EHCP pupils educated in mainstream schools. The Council will continue to work with schools to develop strategic and operational positions that will enable this.

A renewed focus on partnership working and inclusion will look to ensure schools have the skills, confidence and access to support they require, across the system, to meet needs. This will lead to better outcomes of children and young people, help to address sufficiency issues in specialist settings and reduce pressure on the HNB

2021/22 HNB Projected Outturn

The North Northamptonshire HNB allocation for 2021/22 is £45.504m. This is before recoupment of funding for academies and free schools of £9.546m. Adjusting for this leaves total HNB resources of £35.959m that will be received by the LA through the DSG. The recouped funding is paid directly to the institutions by the Education Skills and Funding Agency (ESFA).

Monitoring undertaken based on spend at the end of period 8, November 2021, shows a budget pressure on HNB expenditure of £2.413m. This includes the carried forward deficit from NCC of £2.115m.

The following table sets out an analysis of spend against budget as at the end of period 8:

Table 2 - DSG High Needs Block 2021-22				
High Needs Block	2021-22 Original Budget £'000	2021-22 Actuals as at P8 £'000	2021-22 Forecast Actuals £'000	Variance £'000
	£	£	£	£
Academy High Needs Place Deductions/Recoupment	9,546	9,546	9,393	-153
SEN Units and Resource Provision Place and Top Ups	615	639	852	237
Special School Place and Top Ups	14,572	8,765	14,572	0
Post 16 Place and Top Ups	1,830	1,611	2,148	318
High Needs Out County Top ups	7,197	6,960	9,280	2,083
Provision For Pupils With SEN	4,705	3,250	4,333	-372
Hospital & Outreach	0	0	0	0
Alternative Provision	3,605	842	3,605	0
Commissioned services and delegated schools funding	42,069	31,613	44,182	2,113
Educational Entitlement Team (incl 125k combined serv)	293	500	293	0
Specialist Support Service	375	577	375	0
Sensory Impairment Provision	971	1,475	971	0
Education support and MASH	43	43	43	0
Virtual School including Kick into Study	217	217	217	0
SEN/Education Health Care team support	614	829	614	0
NPPS (Northamptonshire Parent Partnership Service)	10	10	10	0
High Needs Central budgets	2,522	3,651	2,522	0
Repayment of prior year deficit	2,115	2,115	2,115	0
Transfer from Schools Block to High Needs Block	-1,122	-1,122	-1,122	0
Transfer from Central School Services Block to High Needs Blo	-352	-352	-352	0
Transfer from High Needs Block to Early Years Block	271	271	271	0
Estimated EHCP backlog			300	300
Adjustments to High Needs Budget 2021/22	913	913	1,213	300
Total High Needs Block	45,504	36,177	47,917	2,413

The main areas of spend reporting pressure are

- Out of County Top Ups, this is expenditure where pupils needs cannot be met by provision within the NNC area, which may be due to sufficiency or the specialist nature of the need, and so a placement is made outside of NNC or at an Independent Non Maintained Special School.
- Special School Place and Top ups, this is expenditure on placements within NNC at maintained schools, free schools or academies, to provide the funding required to meet need as identified through the EHCP process.

Work is ongoing to better understand the full impact of these pressure and identify ways in which they can be addressed in year to minimise any overspend.

As a result of the pressures set out above, it is clear that the HNB in NNC will end the 2021/22 financial year with a deficit. As a result, the DFE will require a detailed DSG Management Plan to be developed for their approval. In developing the plan, NNC proposes to take this opportunity to undertake a wider review of the framework which is in place to support the efficient and effective use of these resources to meet need and support inclusion

It is proposed that School's Forum establish a Task and Finish Group to actively engage with the development of a DSG Management Plan for NNC

School's Forum will be a key partner in this process. In order to facilitate as effective engagement as possible, it is proposed that the Forum establish a Task and Finish group to work with officers on this review. This work will need to commence immediately with an aspiration to commence new ways of working on a phased basis from September 2022.

A further area of concern is that the High Needs Funding Panel has not met for some time. This group considered applications from schools for the allocation of additional resources to support them in meeting needs. This was intended to reduce the need for EHCPs and to support schools in being proactive in maintaining inclusion. This was a legacy process inherited from NCC and is not a statutory part of the High Needs process. Should the panel reconvene, the pressure on the HNB will further increase. However, having started the financial year with this process in place, there is an expectation amongst schools that funding will be allocated.

It is proposed that the High Needs Panel for NNC is reconvened with a more focussed remit

The 2021/22 High Needs funding framework for NNC included the continuation of the allocation of resources through the High Needs Panel. Schools have established budgets on this basis and have shown significant patience over a number of months as the process has been paused.

However, the budget pressures set out in this report clearly show that and funding allocated will add to an already over committed budget. The resulting overspend will then have to be carried forward and addressed through the DSG Management Plan. Therefore, applications will only be approved where it is clear a one off allocation of resources will result in demonstrably improved outcomes for child or young person and support inclusion.

The longer term position on the High Needs Panel, from September 2022 onward, will form part of the work of the Task and Finish group proposed above.

The development of a DSG Management Plan for NNC will need to be addressed as part of closedown of the 2021/22 DSG and the setting of budgets and the framework for managing the DSG in 2022/23. In order to ensure that the Management Plan is deliverable, this will need to be a partnership piece of work undertaken with School's Forum and other stakeholders

2022/23 HNB Allocation

On 16 December 2021 the DFE published allocations of the HNB 2022-23, an extract for NNC is set out below:

Dedicated schools grant: 2022 to 2023 allocations local authority summary	2022 to 2023 DSG allocations, before recoupment and deductions for national non-domestic rates, and for direct funding of high needs places by Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA)				
	Schools block (£s)	Central school services block (£s)	High needs block (£s)	Early years block (£s)	Total DSG allocation (£s)
	[A]	[B]	[C]	[D]	[E]
					= [A] + [B] + [C] + [D]
North Northamptonshire	254,876,162	3,567,298	£50,115,790	21,812,758	330,372,008
LESS Recoupment			-£10,134,000		
Funding received by LA			£39,981,790		

Table 3 – HNB allocations 2022-23

The total increase in HNB funding from 2021-22 to 2022-23 is **£4.611m** (10.13%) prior to recoupment, further detail of the funding formula used to set the HNB allocation for NNC is set out below:

Table 4 - High Needs Block DSG	2021-22 DSG	2022-23 DSG	Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation	% Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation
	Version Date: 18 Nov 2021	Version Date: 16 Dec 2021	£	%
(a) Total high needs elements in the funding floor and gains calculation	£41,945,728	£45,822,048	£3,876,320	9.24%
(b) Basic entitlement factor (area cost adjusted) unit of funding	£4,683.45	£4,683.87	£0.42	0.01%
(c) Number of pupils in special schools and academies	1,079.50	1,240.18	160.68	14.88%
(d) Import/export adjustment (based on January 2021 school census and February R06 2020 to 21 individualised learner record)	-£1,614,000	-£1,614,000	£0	0.00%
(e) Additional Funding for Special Free Schools	£96,000	£78,000	-£18,000	-18.75%
(f) Hospital education, AP teachers' pay/pension and supplementary funding factor	£20,900	£20,900	£0	0.00%
Total High Needs Block before deductions	£45,504,413	£50,115,790	£4,611,377	10.13%
(g) Less Recoupment	-£9,545,668	-£10,134,000	-£588,332	-6.16%
HNB received by LA (cash)	£35,958,745	£39,981,790	£4,023,045	3.97%
(h) Additional High Needs Supplementary Funding	£0	£1,889,965	£1,889,965	

Item (h) above represents an additional allocation of HNB funding of £1.890m in support of the social care levy from April 22 which was announced later than the initial allocation set out above.

Based on this allocation, and following adjustments for recoupment, the total HNB for NNC in 2022/23 is £41.872m, an increase of £5.914m.

Recommendations for School's Forum

- 1 That School's Forum establish a Task and Finish Group to actively engage with the development of a DSG Management Plan for NNC.**
- 2 That the High Needs Panel for NNC is reconvened with a more focussed remit**

Financial Implications

The financial implications are set out in this report.

Legal Implications

The legal implications are set out in this report.

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Agenda Item 4



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North Northamptonshire Schools Forum: 20th January 2022

Agenda Item 4

2022-23 Dedicated Schools Grant and Other Grants

1 Background

1.1 This report sets out:

- Details of 2022-23 Dedicated Schools Grant Settlement
- Details of other grant funding

2 2022-23 Dedicated Schools Grant Settlement

2.1 The Department for Education (DfE) on 16th December 2021 published North Northamptonshire Council's DSG Settlement for 2022-23. Details can be found on [Dedicated schools grant \(DSG\) 2022 to 2023 \(skillsfunding.service.gov.uk\)](https://skillsfunding.service.gov.uk)

2.2 The DSG allocations reflect the change in the payment process for national non-domestic rates from financial year 2022-23 when ESFA will pay billing authorities directly.

2.3 Table A sets out the 2022-23 DSG settlement received against the 2022-23 Provisional National Funding Formula and the latest 2021-22 DSG Allocation.

Table A – Dedicated Schools Grant

DSG Blocks	2021-22 DSG before Recoupment	2022-23 Provisional NFF	2022-23 DSG before Recoupment	Change from 2021-22	Change from 2022-23 NFF
	Version Date: 18 Nov 2021	Version Date: 28 Sep 2021	Version Date: 16 Dec 2021	Version Date: 16 Dec 2021	Version Date: 16 Dec 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Schools Block	244,805,438	250,375,503	254,876,162	10,070,724	4,500,659
Central School Services Block	3,908,081	3,550,399	3,567,298	-340,783	16,899
High Needs Block	45,504,413	49,363,187	50,115,790	4,611,377	752,603
Early Years Block	22,140,202	22,140,202	21,812,758	-327,444	-327,444
Total DSG Allocation	316,358,134	325,429,290	330,372,008	14,013,874	4,942,718

Additional High Needs Funding	0	0	1,889,965	1,889,965	1,889,965
School Supplementary Grant	0	0	7,323,772	7,323,772	7,323,772
Total DSG Allocation + Additional High Needs Funding + School Supplementary Grant	316,358,134	325,429,290	339,585,745	23,227,611	14,156,455

3 2022-23 Schools Block DSG

3.1 Table B sets out 2022-23 Schools Block DSG compared against 2021-22 Schools Block DSG.

Table B – Schools Block DSG

Schools Block DSG	2021-22 DSG Allocation	Provisional 2022-23 NFF Allocation	2022-23 DSG Allocation	Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation	% Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation
Primary schools' unit of funding	£4,405.29	£4,526.11	£4,526.11	£120.82	2.74%
Secondary schools' unit of funding	£5,693.88	£5,857.68	£5,857.68	£163.80	2.88%
Number of pupils in primary schools	29,695.50	29,695.50	29,697.50	2.00	0.01%
Number of pupils in secondary schools	19,491.50	19,491.50	19,971.00	479.50	2.46%
Proportion of NFF funding (excluding premises and growth) that is protected through the teachers' pay and pensions grants	4.38%	4.38%	0%	-4.38%	-100.00%
Protected schools block funding for the pay and pensions grants	£10,590,821	£10,887,809	£0	-£10,590,821	-100.00%
Funding through the premises factor	£1,666,417	£1,795,379	£1,795,380	£128,963	7.74%
Growth funding	£1,339,468		£1,682,902	£343,434	25.64%
Schools block before protected funding for the teachers' pay and pension grants	£234,214,617	£239,487,693	£251,397,880	£17,183,263	7.34%
Total Schools Block	£244,805,438	£250,375,503	£254,876,162	£10,070,724	4.11%

Deductions to schools block for NNDR	£0	£0	£1,720,380	£1,720,380
Deductions to schools block for recoupment	£196,890,026	£195,136,829	£0	- £196,890,026
Total Schools Block after deductions	£47,915,412	£55,238,674	£253,155,782	£205,240,370

3.2 Schools Forum can decide to transfer up to 0.5% of Schools Block DSG to High Needs Block DSG without Secretary of State approval. Any transfers more than 0.5% from Schools Block DSG will need the approval of the Secretary of State.

3.2 Growth Fund can be set aside from Schools Block DSG to address growth in schools.

3.3 Falling Pupil Fund can also be set aside falling rolls using Schools Block DSG.

3.4 Schools Block DSG is used to finance Individual School Budgets. Details of the proposed options for setting 2022-23 Primary and Secondary School Budgets are set out in Agenda Item 5.

3.5 Schools Forum can decide to use Schools Block DSG to fund schools with split sites subject to the set criteria in the LA local funding formulae.

4 2022-23 Central School Services Block DSG

4.1 The central services school block provides funding to local authorities to carry out central functions on behalf of maintained schools and academies.

4.2 The block comprises of two elements: ongoing responsibilities and historic commitments.

4.3 Table C sets out DFE's confirmed CSSB DSG Allocation for 2022-23.

Table C – Central School Services Block DSG

Central School Services Block	2021-22	2022-23	Change
Final CSSB unit of funding	£33.72	£35.59	£1.87
CSSB pupil count	49,187.00	49,668.50	481.50
Funding for On-going Duties	£1,658,586	£1,767,942	£109,356
Funding for Historic Commitments	£2,249,495	£1,799,596	-£449,899
Total Central School Services Block	£3,908,081	£3,567,538	-£340,543

4.4 Table D sets out the 2022-23 CSSB DSG proposed revised expenditure. The expenditure was revised to realign the approved CSSB budget approved by Schools Forum in December 2021 with the confirmed 2022-23 CSSB DSG Allocation.

Table D – Proposed Revised CSSB DSG Expenditure

Central School Services Block	2021-22	2022-23	Change
Historical Commitments	£M	£M	£M
Contribution to Combined Services (see Table E)	1.07	0.64	-0.43
Contribution to DSG High Needs Deficit	0.18	0.16	-0.02
Historical Teachers Pension pre-2013	0.99	0.99	0.00
Total Historical Commitments	2.25	1.80	-0.45
Ongoing Responsibilities	£M	£M	£M
Admissions	0.48	0.48	0.00
Schools Forum	0.01	0.01	0.00
National Copyright Licences	0.30	0.28	-0.02
Statutory and Regulatory Duties	0.86	0.88	0.02
Teacher's Pay and Pension Grant	0.01	0.01	0.00
Contribution to DSG High Needs Deficit	0.00	0.11	0.11
Total Ongoing Responsibilities	1.66	1.77	0.11
Total CSSB	3.91	3.57	-0.34

4.5 Table E sets out CSSB DSG Contribution to Combined Services

Table E – CSSB DSG Contribution to Combined Services

CSSB DSG Contribution to Combined Service	2021-22	2022-23	Change
	£M	£M	£M
School Standards & Effectiveness	0.43	0.43	0.00
Moderation	0.02	0.01	0.00
Prevention & Early Help - Parenting Support Co-ordinators	0.03	0.00	-0.03
Social Care Transport	0.22	0.00	-0.22
Supervised Contact	0.17	0.00	-0.17
Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children Board	0.03	0.03	0.00
MASH	0.04	0.03	-0.01
Educational Entitlement	0.13	0.13	0.00
Total	1.07	0.64	-0.43

5 2022-23 High Needs Block DSG

5.1 Table F sets out 2022-23 High Needs Block DSG compared against 2021-22 High Needs Block DSG.

Table F – High Needs Block DSG

High Needs Block DSG	2021-22 DSG	2022-23 DSG	Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation	% Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation
	Version Date: 18 Nov 2021	Version Date: 16 Dec 2021		
Total high needs elements in the funding floor and gains calculation	£41,945,728	£45,822,048	£3,876,320	9.24%
Basic entitlement factor (area cost adjusted) unit of funding	£4,683.45	£4,683.87	£0.42	0.01%
Number of pupils in special schools and academies	1,079.50	1,240.18	160.68	14.88%
Import/export adjustment (based on January 2021 school census and February R06 2020 to 21 individualised learner record)	-£1,614,000	-£1,614,000	£0	0.00%
Additional Funding for Special Free Schools	£96,000	£78,000	-£18,000	-18.75%
Hospital education, AP teachers pay/pension and supplementary funding factor	£20,900	£20,900	£0	0.00%
Total High Needs Block before deductions	£45,504,413	£50,115,790	£4,611,377	10.13%
Additional High Needs Funding	£0	£1,889,965	£1,889,965	

5.2 The DFE have announced an additional £1.89M of High Needs Funding as part of the 2022-23 DSG Settlement.

5.3 Detailed proposals for the 2022-23 High Needs Block Expenditure are set out in the High Needs Block Agenda item 3.

6 2022-23 Early Years Block DSG

6.1 Table G sets out the DFE's Indicative Early Years Block Allocation for 2021-22 and 2022-23 for North Northamptonshire Council. The final Early Years Block allocation is only confirmed by the DFE in July after the end of the Financial Year based on the two previous January census.

Table G – Indicative Early Years Block DSG

Indicative Early Years Block DSG	2021-22 Indicative Funding	2022-23 Indicative Funding
Hourly rate for 3 and 4 year olds from early years national funding formula	£4.49	£4.66
Number for 3 and 4 year old universal entitlement funding (part-time equivalent)	5,316.48	4,994.80
Indicative funding allocation for universal entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds	£13,606,468	£13,267,188
Number for 3 and 4 year old additional 15 hours entitlement for eligible working parents (part-time equivalent)	1,985.80	2,066.54
Indicative funding allocation for additional 15 hours entitlement for eligible working parents of 3 and 4 year olds	£5,082,258	£5,489,144
Hourly rate for 2 year old entitlement	£5.41	£5.62
Number for 2 year old entitlement funding (part-time equivalent)	716.50	547.44
Indicative funding allocation for 2 year old entitlement	£2,209,472	£1,753,670
Indicative funding allocation for early years pupil premium	£208,147	£255,847
Funding allocation for disability access fund	£86,715	£113,600
Hourly rate for supplementary funding for maintained nursery schools		£4.73
Number for supplementary funding for maintained nursery schools (part-time equivalent)		346.17
Indicative supplementary funding allocation for maintained nursery schools	£947,142	£933,309
Total Indicative Early Years Block	£22,140,202	£21,812,758

6.2 Detailed proposals of the 2022-23 Early Years Block Expenditure and outcome of the Early Years Consultation will be brought to the extra Schools Forum meeting on 10th February 2022.

7 School Supplementary Grant

- 7.1 In addition to the DSG, mainstream schools will receive an additional grant in 2022 to 2023. For early years and post-16 provision in schools, the grant is being provided in respect of the Health and Social Care Levy. For primary and secondary provision, the grant is being provided in respect of both the Health and Social Care Levy and other cost pressures. Details on how this funding will be allocated including funding rates and indicative allocations at local-authority level is found at [Schools supplementary grant 2022 to 2023 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/schools-supplementary-grant-2022-to-2023)

8 Pupil Premium

- 8.1 Funding rates for the pupil premium in the financial year 2022 to 2023 will increase in line with the latest inflation forecasts. Rates for 2022 to 2023 will be:
- Primary FSM6 pupils: £1,385
 - Secondary FSM6 pupils: £985
 - Looked-after children: £2,410
 - Children who have ceased to be looked after: £2,410
 - Service children: £320
- 8.2 Pupil premium allocations and conditions of grant for 2022-23 will be published by the DFE in spring 2022.

9 Other Grants

- 9.1 The extended rights for home to school travel grant is expected to continue. Further information about this grant will be notified by the DFE.
- 9.2 Information about other grants for 2022 to 2023 will be issued during 2022.

10 Recommendations for Schools Forum

- 10.1 Schools Forum are asked to note the 2022-23 DSG Settlement figures for North Northamptonshire Council.
- 10.2 Schools Forum are asked to approve the minor amendment to the Proposed DSG CSSB expenditure as agreed in the December 2021 Schools Forum to align budgets with the confirmed 2022-23 DSG budget settlement.

11 Next steps

- 11.1 The LA will set the 2022-23 DSG Budgets based on the 16th December 2021 DSG settlement.

12 Financial implications

- 12.1 Schools need to be aware of all the latest funding allocated by the DFE so that they can make timely decisions with Schools Forum and their Governing Body.

13 Legal implications

- 13.1 Schools funding is governed by The School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2021. It is important to ensure decisions are made within the regulations set.

14 Risks

- 14.1 There is the risk that an adverse financial decision may be made by Schools Forum. There is also the risk that decisions made could be ultra vires.

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Agenda Item 5



North Northamptonshire Schools Forum: 20th January 2022

Agenda Item 5

2022-23 Primary and Secondary Schools Budget

1 Background

1.1 This report sets out:

- Details of 2022-23 Schools Block DSG Allocation
- Details of the three proposed options for allocating 2022-23 Primary and Secondary Schools Budget

2 Introduction

2.1 Pending the release of North Northamptonshire Council's 2022-23 DSG Settlement, Schools Forum at the December 2021 meeting have approved the following recommendations:

- Transfer 0.5% from Schools Block to High Needs Block
- Set aside £700,000 from School Block for Explicit Growth Fund for 2022-23.
- To adopt the Split Site Funding Policy
- Set a Minimum Funding Guarantee of 2%
- Cap and Scale as required to balance the Schools Block DSG

2.2 However there is currently an overspend of £30,000+ on Growth Fund in 2021-22. Consequently, there is a need to revise the approved Growth Fund from £700,000 to £750,000 in 2022-23.

2.3 Schools Forum is asked to revise and approve the Growth Fund be set at £750,000 for 2022-23.

3. 2022-23 Schools Block DSG Allocation

3.1 The DFE announced the 2022-23 DSG Funding Settlement on 16th December 2021. Table A sets out the 2022-23 Schools Block DSG allocation compared against 2021-22 DSG.

Table A – Schools Block DSG

Schools Block DSG	2021-22 DSG Allocation	Provisional 2022-23 NFF Allocation	2022-23 DSG Allocation	Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation	% Change from 2021-22 DSG Allocation
Primary schools' unit of funding	£4,405.29	£4,526.11	£4,526.11	£120.82	2.74%
Secondary schools' unit of funding	£5,693.88	£5,857.68	£5,857.68	£163.80	2.88%
Number of pupils in primary schools	29,695.50	29,695.50	29,697.50	2.00	0.01%
Number of pupils in secondary schools	19,491.50	19,491.50	19,971.00	479.50	2.46%
Proportion of NFF funding (excluding premises and growth) that is protected through the teachers' pay and pensions grants	4.38%	4.38%	0%	-4.38%	-100.00%
Protected schools block funding for the pay and pensions grants	£10,590,821	£10,887,809	£0	-£10,590,821	-100.00%
Funding through the premises factor	£1,666,417	£1,795,379	£1,795,380	£128,963	7.74%
Growth funding	£1,339,468		£1,682,902	£343,434	25.64%
Schools block before protected funding for the teachers' pay and pension grants	£234,214,617	£239,487,693	£251,397,880	£17,183,263	7.34%
Total Schools Block	£244,805,438	£250,375,503	£254,876,162	£10,070,724	4.11%

3. Setting the 2022-23 Primary and Secondary Schools Budget

3.1 The National Funding Formula (NFF) factor values adjusted for North Northamptonshire Area Cost Adjustment were used. The factor values used are as follows in Table B:

Table B – North Northamptonshire National Funding Formula Factor Values

NFF Funding Factors	2022-23 NNC NFF ACA adjusted (1.00329) rates
AWPU-primary (R-Y6) per pupil	£3,227.58
AWPU-secondary (KS3) per pupil	£4,550.92
AWPU-secondary (KS4) per pupil	£5,128.82
FSM (primary/secondary)	£471.55
FSM6 (primary)	£591.94

FSM6 (secondary)	£867.85
IDACI A (primary)	£642.11
IDACI B (primary)	£491.61
IDACI C (primary)	£461.51
IDACI D (primary)	£421.38
IDACI E (primary)	£270.89
IDACI F (primary)	£220.72
IDACI A (secondary)	£892.93
IDACI B (secondary)	£702.30
IDACI C (secondary)	£652.14
IDACI D (secondary)	£596.96
IDACI E (secondary)	£426.40
IDACI F (secondary)	£321.05
Low prior attainment (primary)	£1,133.72
Low prior attainment (secondary)	£1,715.63
EAL (primary)	£566.86
EAL (secondary)	£1,535.03
Mobility (primary)	£928.04
Mobility (secondary)	£1,334.38
Lump sum (both sectors)	£121,699.08
Sparsity (primary)	£55,180.95
Sparsity (secondary)	£80,263.20
MFG	2%

3.2 After applying the Schools Forum December 2021 decision to:

- Transfer 0.5% from Schools Block to High Needs Block
- Set aside £750,000 from School Block for Explicit Growth Fund for 2022-23.
- To adopt the Split Site Funding Policy
- Set a Minimum Funding Guarantee of 2%

there is insufficient Schools Block fund available to set the Primary and Secondary School Budget.

3.3 The budget shortfall is as follows:

	2022-23 Schools Block DSG	£254,876,162.00
Less:	Transfer 0.5% from Schools Block to High Needs Block	-£1,274,380.81
Less:	Explicit Growth Fund	-£750,000.00
	Available for Individual School Budgets	£252,851,781.19
	Budget required applying 2% MFG	£253,155,235.88
	Budget Shortfall	-£303,454.69

- 3.4 Schools Forum was advised in the December 2021 meeting that it may need to consider capping and scaling the school budgets to set a balanced Primary and Secondary Schools Budget.
- 3.5 Schools Forum was also advised that a Schools Forum Funding Review Group be set up to consider the available options in advance of the January 2022 Schools Forum.
- 3.6 Representatives from all Primary and Secondary schools and academies were invited to participate. The meeting took place on Wednesday 12th January 2022.
- 3.7 The Schools Forum Funding Review Group were presented with the attached presentation and budget options.
- 3.8 Three options were proposed:
- Option 1 2% CAP and 10.95% Scale
 - Option 2 4.57% CAP and 50% Scale
 - Option 3 7.72% CAP and 100% Scale
- 3.9 All three options will address the shortfall but have different implications for different schools.
- 3.10 The impact on schools is as advised in the attached presentation.
- 3.11 Schools Forum Funding Review Group have discussed and reviewed the three different options but was unable to recommend Schools Forum which option to adopt as the preferred option.
- 3.12 Schools Forum Funding Review Group said they needed further contextual characteristic information of schools impacted by the Cap and Scale. However, this is difficult as each school is different and unique in its own circumstance and characteristic.
- 3.13 Schools Forum Funding Review Group were reminded that the Cap and Scale relates to reducing the rate of gain by schools.
- 3.14 Whilst the final decision of the Schools Funding Formula belongs to the LA, it is preferable that Schools Forum consider, agree, approve and advise the LA the direction it should take.
- 3.15 Schools Forum is therefore asked to consider and agree the adoption of one of the three options be used as 2022-23 Primary and Secondary Schools Funding Formula basis to set the 2022-23 Schools Budget.

4 De-delegation for School Effectiveness Service

- 4.1 At the December 2021 meeting, Schools Forum agreed to the de-delegation of the School Effectiveness Service but disagreed with the rate of £15 per pupil and requested the LA to review the rate and propose a revised rate.
- 4.2 The LA have reviewed Schools Forum request and have brought a paper to Schools Forum as Agenda item 6.

4.3 Schools Forum are asked to agree a final rate for the de-delegation of School Effectiveness if the de-delegation is to go ahead as it will need to be included in North Northamptonshire Council's Authority Proforma Tool (APT) submission on the 21st January 2022 to the ESFA.

5 Recommendations for Schools Forum

5.1 Schools Forum are asked to note the outcome of the Schools Forum Funding Review Group.

5.2 Schools Forum are asked to consider and agree one of the options to be adopted in the setting of the 2022-23 Primary and Secondary School Budget for submission to the ESFA as North Northamptonshire Council's APT.

5.3 Schools Forum are asked to approve the rate be adopted for the de-delegation of Schools Effectiveness as detailed in on Agenda item 6 paper. This is required to complete the setting of the 2022-23 Primary and Secondary School Budget.

6 Next steps

6.1 The LA will set the 2022-23 Primary and Secondary School Budget on the APT with the decisions made by Schools Forum.

6.2 In the event of Schools Forum failing to reach a consensus decision, the LA will proceed to adopt the option it thinks is the fair and equitable option namely Option 1 where the Cap is shared amongst all schools.

7 Financial implications

7.1 Schools need to be aware of the decisions made by Schools Forum so that they can advise their respective Governing Body in setting their Individual School Budgets.

8 Legal implications

8.1 Schools funding is governed by The School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2021. It is important to ensure decisions are made within the regulations set.

9 Risks

9.1 Whilst there is the risk that the financial decision is made by Schools Forum will be detrimental to a group of schools, the final decision would be in the interest of North Northamptonshire schools overall.

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2022-23 Primary & Secondary School Budget Options

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Appendix



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Introduction

2022-23 School Budgets Fundamental Criteria:

NNC Schools Forum in the December 2021 meeting agreed to:

- Transfer 0.5% from Schools Block to High Needs Block
- Set aside £700,000 for Explicit Growth Fund for 2022-23. However as there is currently an overspend on Growth Fund in 2021-22, Growth Fund had to be revised to £750,000 for 2022-23
- Set a Minimum Funding Guarantee of 2%
- Cap and Scale as required to balance the Schools Block DSG



2022-23 Schools Block DSG Budget

	2022-23 Schools Block DSG	£254,876,162.00
Less:	Transfer 0.5% from Schools Block to High Needs Block	-£1,274,380.81
Less:	Explicit Growth Fund	-£750,000.00
	Available for Individual School Budgets	£252,851,781.19
	Budget required applying 2% MFG	£253,155,235.88
	Budget Shortfall	-£303,454.69

Reason for Shortfall

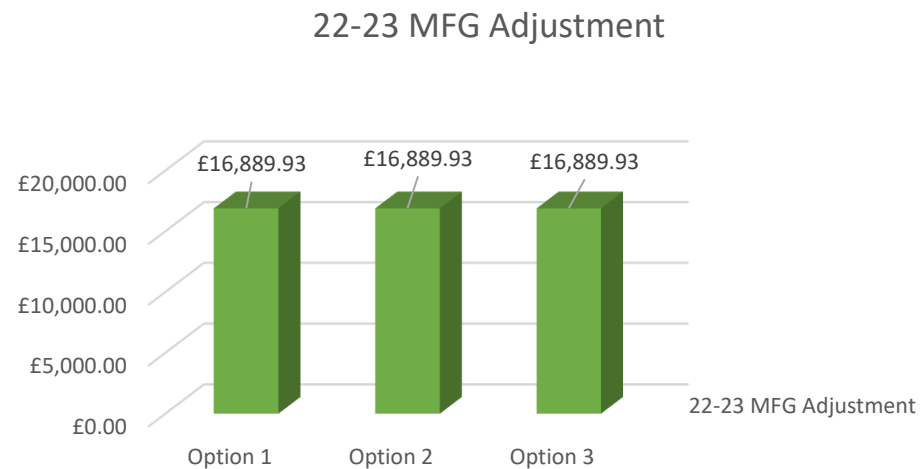
19 Primary Schools did not meet the basic requirement of 2% Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG)

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	Number of Schools
Less than 0%	3
0% - Less than 1%	4
1% - Less than 1.5%	4
1.5% - Less than 2%	8
Total	<hr/> 19 <hr/>

Example 1: Impact of School that received less than 2% MFG

Options	22-23 MFG Unit Value	21-22 MFG Unit Value	MFG % change	MFG Value adjustment	22-23 MFG Adjustment	22-23 Post MFG Budget	Minimum per pupil funding: post MFG minimum funding per pupil rate
Option 1	£3,752.64	£3,790.94	-1.01%	3.01%	£16,889.93	£703,624.75	£4,689.05
Option 2	£3,752.64	£3,790.94	-1.01%	3.01%	£16,889.93	£703,624.75	£4,689.05
Option 3	£3,752.64	£3,790.94	-1.01%	3.01%	£16,889.93	£703,624.75	£4,689.05



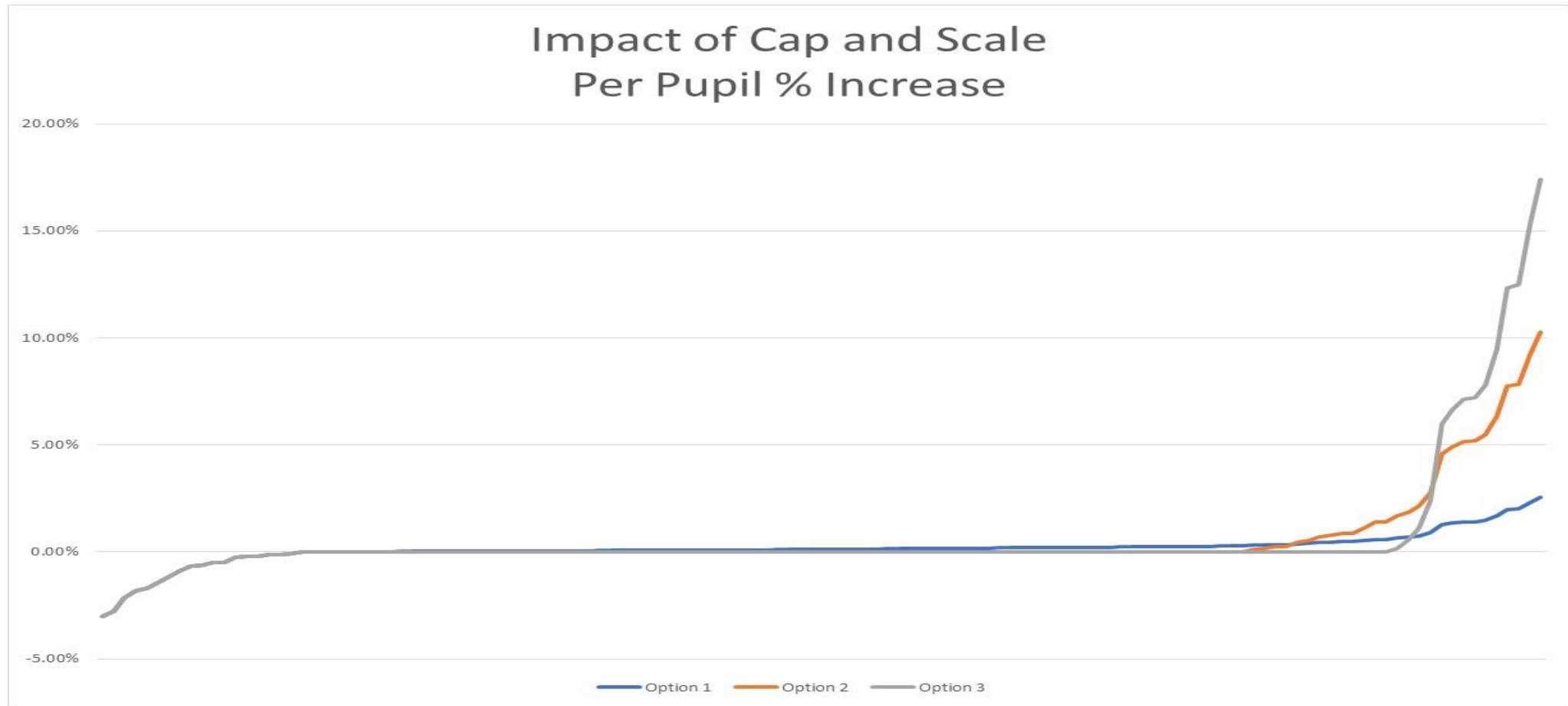
Options to Address School Budget Shortfall

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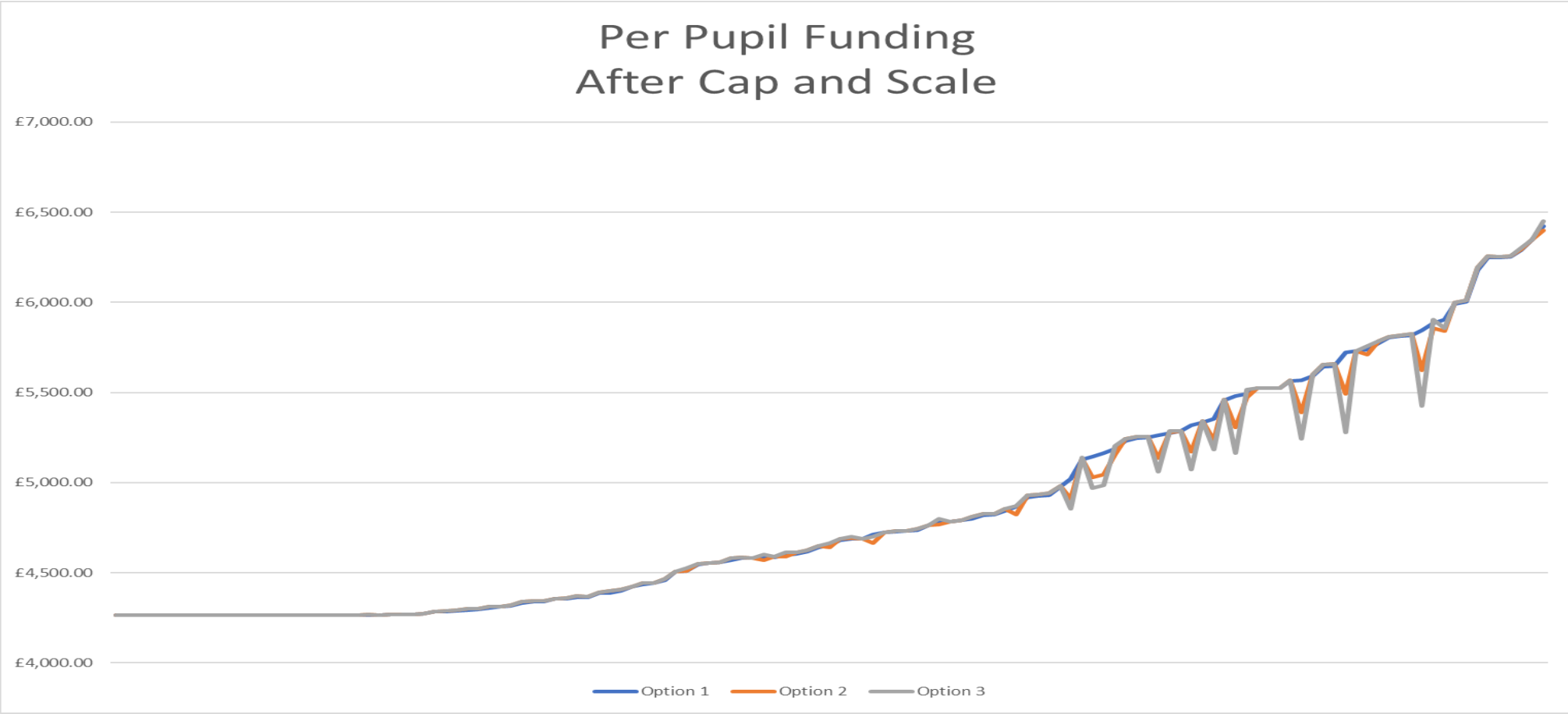
Option 1	2% CAP and 10.95% Scale	£303,454.69
Option 2	4.57% CAP and 50% Scale	£303,454.69
Option 3	7.72% CAP and 100% Scale	£303,454.69

Impact of Cap and Scale – Per Pupil % Increase

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Impact of Cap and Scale – Per Pupil Funding



Option 1: 2% CAP and 10.95% Scale

Number of schools affected : 86

Amount of Loss to School due to Cap Number of Schools

Less than 0.1%	16
0.1% - Less than 0.5%	53
0.5% - Less than 1%	7
1% - Less than 1.5%	5
1.5% - Less than 2%	2
2% or more	3
Total	86

Option 2: 4.57% CAP and 50% Scale

Number of schools affected : 27

Amount of Loss to School due to Cap	Number of Schools
Less than 1%	10
1% - Less than 2%	5
2% - Less than 3%	2
4% - Less than 5%	2
5% - Less than 6%	3
6% - Less than 7%	1
7% - Less than 8%	2
9% - Less than 10%	1
10% or more	1
Total	27

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Option 3: 7.72% CAP and 100% Scale

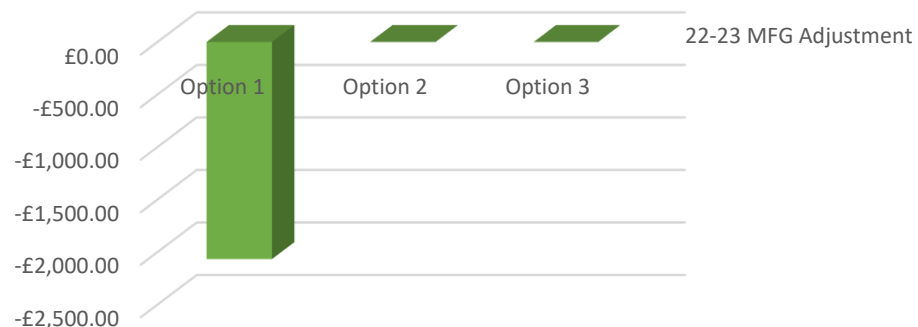
Number of schools affected : 14

Amount of Loss to School due to Cap	Number of Schools
Less than 1%	2
1% - Less than 2%	1
2% - Less than 3%	1
5% - Less than 6%	1
6% - Less than 7%	1
7% - Less than 8%	3
9% - Less than 10%	1
12% - Less than 13%	2
15% - Less than 16%	1
17% or more	1
Total	14

Example 2: Impact on Small MFG Gain School

Options	22-23 MFG Unit Value	21-22 MFG Unit Value	MFG % change	MFG Value adjustment	22-23 MFG Adjustment	22-23 Post MFG Budget	Minimum per pupil funding: post MFG minimum funding per pupil rate
Option 1	£5,674.51	£5,543.04	2.37%	-0.04%	-£2,067.14	£5,350,594.74	£5,805.11
Option 2	£5,674.51	£5,543.04	2.37%	0.00%	£0.00	£5,352,661.88	£5,807.37
Option 3	£5,674.51	£5,543.04	2.37%	0.00%	£0.00	£5,352,661.88	£5,807.37

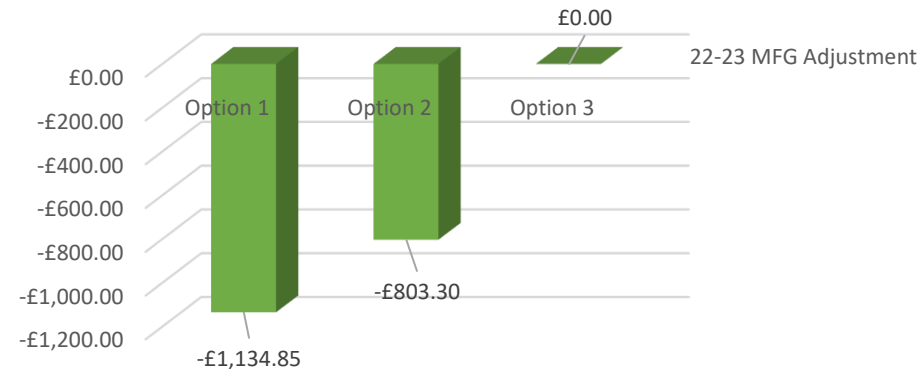
22-23 MFG Adjustment



Example 3: Impact on Mid MFG Gain School

Options	22-23 MFG Unit Value	21-22 MFG Unit Value	MFG % change	MFG Value adjustment	22-23 MFG Adjustment	22-23 Post MFG Budget	Minimum per pupil funding: post MFG minimum funding per pupil rate
Option 1	£3,656.11	£3,480.77	5.04%	-0.33%	-£1,134.85	£525,017.62	£5,275.77
Option 2	£3,656.11	£3,480.77	5.04%	-0.24%	-£803.30	£525,349.17	£5,279.15
Option 3	£3,656.11	£3,480.77	5.04%	0.00%	£0.00	£526,152.47	£5,287.35

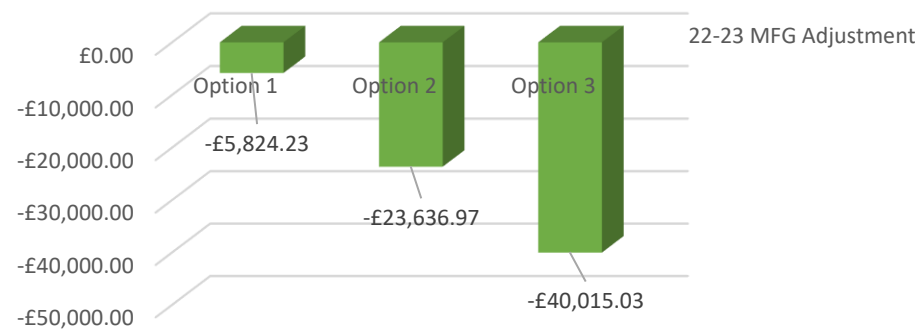
22-23 MFG Adjustment



Example 4: Impact on Large MFG Gain School

Options	22-23 MFG Unit Value	21-22 MFG Unit Value	MFG % change	MFG Value adjustment	22-23 MFG Adjustment	22-23 Post MFG Budget	Minimum per pupil funding: post MFG minimum funding per pupil rate
Option 1	£3,735.42	£2,985.17	25.13%	-2.53%	-£5,824.23	£442,533.98	£5,722.65
Option 2	£3,735.42	£2,985.17	25.13%	-10.28%	-£23,636.97	£424,721.24	£5,491.31
Option 3	£3,735.42	£2,985.17	25.13%	-17.41%	-£40,015.03	£408,343.18	£5,278.61

22-23 MFG Adjustment



Options for Decision

- Option 1 re-distributes the Schools Funding Formula applying the principle that all schools will receive a MFG of 2%
- Option 2 caps the bigger gainers 4.57% and above at 50% of their gain
- Option 3 caps the biggest gainers 7.72% and above at 100% of their gain

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Item 7: Forum Forward Plan



Background

- ▶ This plan sets out an outline for Forum meetings over the next 12 months.
- ▶ Some items will be covered at the majority of meetings so these are listed separately.
- ▶ In some areas discussions and votes are required so these are included against the relevant meetings although there may be discussions at previous meetings.
- ▶ The listing will not be exhaustive but hopefully provides a useful planning tool for Forum.



Standing Forum Agenda items (if required)

- ▶ DSG Monitoring
- ▶ DfE/ESFA Funding announcements
- ▶ School Budgets
- ▶ High Needs
- ▶ Early Years
- ▶ National Funding formula



2021

Meeting date	Agenda items
22 July 2021	Scheme for Financing Schools Schools Outturn Grant and DSG Funding Update Schools Apprentice Levy Update Hospital Outreach in North Northamptonshire Remote Meetings
Note - * - Forum vote	



2021

Meeting date	Agenda items
04 November 2021	Schools block Combined Services Reports Schools block 2022-23 central expenditure * Primary and Secondary maintained schools de-delegation 2022-23* (SIG, Trade union and school redundancies) School budgets 2022-23 - weighted numbers for new schools/year groups School budgets 2022-23 - PFI utility subsidy Early Years Update Pupil Growth 2022-23 - projections and 2022-23 rates Schools funding formula 2022-23 - consultation feedback
Note - * - Forum vote	



2021

Meeting date	Agenda items
16 December 2021	DSG Finance Update School Budgets 2022-23 - outcome of consultation and final proposals * High Needs update including HN panel, SEN Units RAS, special schools - split site, and draft 21-22 HN budgets, HN place numbers 22-23 academic year
Note - * - Forum vote	



2021

Meeting date	Agenda items
20 January 2022	High Needs budgets 2022-23 DSG Settlement 2022/23 Primary and Secondary School budget options* Revised proposals for the de-delegation for school effectiveness*
10 February 2022	Early Years 2022-23 EYSFF 2022-23 Early years central expenditure 2022-23* - outcome of consultation and consideration of proposals, including vote on central expenditure
Note - * - Forum vote	



2021

Meeting date	Agenda items
17 March 2022	DSG Monitoring High Needs Update and 2022-23 Planning Scheme for Financing Schools
Note - * - Forum vote	