

LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Virtual meeting to be held at 10.00 am on Thursday 2 July 2020

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A G E N D A

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
To note any apologies for absence
- 2. Substitute Members**
To welcome any substitute Members.
- 3. Forum Membership (Enclosure)**
To note the Forum membership report.
- 4. Minutes of the Last Meeting held in March 2020(Enclosure)**
To agree the minutes of the last meeting held in March 2020.
- 5. Matters Arising**
To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the March 2020 meeting that are not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
- 6. Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20 (Enclosure)**
To consider the information on the 2019/20 Schools Budget outturn position, and on responses from the Forum working groups on matters arising from the report.
- 7. Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20 (Enclosure)**
To approve the 2019/20 Schools Forum Annual Report for publication
- 8. Recommendations from the Schools Block Working Group (Enclosure)**
To consider the recommendations from the Schools Block Working Group.
- 9. Recommendations from the High Needs Block Working Group (Enclosure)**
To consider the recommendations from the High Needs Block Working Group.
- 10. Recommendations from the Early Years Block Working Group (Enclosure)**
To consider the recommendations from the Early Years Block Working Group.
- 11. Recommendations from the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group (Enclosure)**
To consider the recommendations from the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group.

12. Urgent Business

Matters considered using the Forum's Urgent Business Procedure since the last Schools Forum meeting have been included within the relevant working group summery reports.

13. Forum Correspondence

There is no Forum related correspondence to consider at this meeting.

14. Any Other Business

a) School funding: exceptional costs associated with coronavirus (COVID-19) for the period from March to July 2020 (Enclosure)

To note the information about recent DfE 'exceptional costs' announcements.

15. Date of Future Meetings

To note that the next scheduled Forum meeting will be held at 10.00am Thursday 17 October 2019 at County Hall, Preston, subject to COVID-19 implications.

Lancashire Schools Forum meeting to be held on 2 July 2020 via video conferencing

Executive Summary

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting of the Forum will take place via video conferencing.

1. Apologies for Absence and 2. Substitute Members

To note any apologies for absence and welcome any substitute members.

3. Forum Membership

To note the Forum membership changes since the last meeting.

4. Minutes of the Last Meeting and 5. Matters Arising

To agree the minutes of the last meeting scheduled for 24 March 2020 and any matters arising.

6. Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20

This report provides information on the 2019/20 Schools Budget outturn position, and on responses from the Forum working groups on matters arising from the report, including:

- Possible DSG contribution to the risks associated with the closure or forced academisation of schools in deficit;
- Clawback options for March 2021;
- Operation of the support staff element of the supply scheme in 2021/21.

7. Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20

To approve the 2019/20 Schools Forum Annual Report for publication

8. Recommendations from the Schools Block Working Group

To consider the recommendations from the Schools Block Working Group, including

i. Urgent Business Outcomes - Supply Scheme update and alternatives to May 2020 schools census

This report provided information on two decisions taken using the Forum's urgent business procedure in relation to: Forum, using the Forum's Urgent Business Procedure. This request sought urgent views over 2 matters, relating to:

- An update on the operation of the Lancashire supply scheme;
- Actions to be taken in response to the Government's decision to cancel the summer term 2020 school census.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report.*

ii. Charging for the Operation of Schools Local Bank Account

In October 2019, the Forum supported revised bank account charges being introduced from April 2020. Members were reminded about the reasons behind the decision as charges for 2020/21 are about to be issued.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report.*

iii. Service De-delegations 2020/21 – School Financial Health Check Funding

This report provided information on options for the use of funding originally collected as part of the Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation for the provision of financial health checks for schools. Other elements of the SIFD support remain unchanged.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;
- b) Expressed views about the options available for the funding within the Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation relating to financial health checks for schools. There was no overall consensus and an analysis of the views expressed are shown below:

<i>Feedback on possible options in connection with funding relating to the school financial health check element of the 2020/21 SIFD de-delegation funding.</i>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>No of responses</i>
<i>Hold the funding in the de-delegation reserve specifically earmarked for school health checks</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Utilise the funding as part of the wider Schools in Financial Difficulty support in 2020/21</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Use the health checks funding as a further DSG contribution to the 'structural deficits' reserve</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Reimburse the 'health check' element of funding to all schools on the basis that it was collected</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>No response</i>	<i>1</i>

One member raised concerns about the collecting of this money from schools for a potential purpose and as it has been found unnecessary suggested that this type of "speculative taking of funds" be avoided in future and should not have happened in the first place.

iv. Trade Union Facilities Agreement

An update report was provided about the use of Trade Union Facilities Time Agreement, which forms part of the 'Staff costs – Public Duties/Suspensions' de-delegation.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;
- b) Expressed views about the Trade Union Facilities Agreement in connection with the proposed 2021/22 de-delegation, with a majority favouring the 'Yes, and with a Forum recommendation that the TU funding is reduced to reflect a smaller workforce' option, as shown below:

<i>Feedback on the updated facilities time agreement information being included in the 2021/22 de-delegation consultation with schools.</i>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>No of responses</i>
<i>Yes, and with a Forum recommendation that the TU funding is reduced to reflect a smaller workforce</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Yes and with a Forum recommendation that the TU funding continues at the 2020/21 levels</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Yes, but without any accompanying Forum recommendation</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>No, don't include the information in the consultation</i>	<i>0</i>

v. Scheme for Financing Schools in Lancashire

In April 2020, the DfE issued an 11th update to Statutory Guidance on schemes and details of the scheme updates introduced by the latest guidance were provided. No responses were received from schools during the consultation.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report and that no views were received from schools during the scheme consultation;*
- b) Supported the introduction of the proposed scheme amendments.*

This is a formal Schools Forum decision and approval will be sought to update the Lancashire scheme as part of the decision making process for the July Forum meeting.

vi. Split Site Funding Appeal

Information was provided about an appeal to the split site funding allocation for 2020/21.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;*
- b) Expressed views about the split site appeal. There was no overall consensus and an analysis of the views expressed are shown below, with rejecting the appeal marginally the most popular view:*

<i>Feedback on a school appeal against the application of the split site funding policy</i>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>No of responses</i>
<i>Reject the appeal as the school does not meet the distance threshold for split site criteria 1</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Support the appeal and award criteria 1 level funding due to the exceptional case made in the appeal</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Support a reduced distance threshold for criteria 1 so that the school qualify</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>No response/not sure</i>	<i>2</i>

9. Recommendations from the High Needs Block Working Group

To consider the recommendations from the High Needs Block Working Group, including:

- i. Developing the Approach and Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities*

This report provided a brief update on developments, particularly in connection with Additionally Resources Mainstream Schools (ARMS).

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report*

ii. *Urgent Business Outcomes - Supply Scheme update and alternatives to May 2020 schools census*

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The Working Group:

- a) *Noted the report.*

iii. *Teachers' Pension Employer Contribution Grant (TPECG) Claim from supplementary fund for specialist settings*

This report provided information about the TPECG) Claim from supplementary fund for specialist settings.

The Working Group:

- a) *Noted the report.*

iv. *Charging for the Operation of Schools Local Bank Account*

In October 2019, the Forum supported revised bank account charges being introduced from April 2020. Members were reminded about the reasons behind the decision as charges for 2020/21 are about to be issued.

The Working Group:

- a) *Noted the report.*

10. Recommendations from the Early Years Block Working Group

To consider the recommendations from the Early Years Block Working Group, including

i. *Future of Maintained Nursery Schools*

During the current COVID-19 pandemic, the review of Maintained Nursery Schools (MNS) financial stability has been put on hold.

The Working Group noted the information.

ii. *Schools Forum Urgent Business Process - Alternative arrangements following the cancellation of the May 2020 school census*

This report provides information about the urgent business decision taken about the cancellation of the May 2020 schools census for the Early Years Block.

The Working Group:

- a) *Noted the report.*

iii. Funding Agreement for the Provision of Early Education Funding 2020/21

For 2020/21, the LA is not proposing to make any changes to the agreement beyond updating the dates to reflect the 2020/21 year.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report.*

iv. Early Years Block Autumn Term 2020 Payments

Whilst no information is yet available from the DfE, the LA is preparing a paper around possible options for funding early years providers in the autumn term 2020.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report*
- b) Supported the proposal to hold a virtual meeting on this issue.*

Any update from the virtual meeting will be reported to the Forum.

v. Funding for PVI and Childminders with additional Costs associated with COVID-19

Mainstream Schools may be able to request support directly from the DfE to assist with additional COVID-19 costs including increased premises related costs and additional cleaning costs, subject to certain conditions. The County Council has asked the DfE if this scheme can also be made available to EY PVI providers and Childminders.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information;*
- b) Noted that any responses from the DfE will be shared at the virtual meeting if it has been received.*

Any update from the virtual meeting will be reported to the Forum.

vi. Local Authority Discretionary Fund

A statement from NDNA was shared with the group about support for childcare providers (In Lancashire, it is district councils that deal with business rates).

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information;*
- b) Noted that this information could be discussed as part of the virtual meeting.*

11. Recommendations from the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group

To consider the recommendations from the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group, which was updated on the school apprenticeship levy developments.

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LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Date of meeting 2 July 2020

Item No 3

Title: Forum Membership

Executive Summary

This report summarises the changes to the Forum membership since the last meeting.

Forum Decision Required

The Forum is asked to:

- a) Note the report, including the change in academy member places available on the Forum and the intention to undertake the nomination and election process to fill vacancies in the autumn term;**
- b) Welcome Karen Stracey to her first Forum meeting;**
- c) Thank Jill Wright, Lesley Millard and Jonathan Walker for their contribution to the Forum.**

Background

This report provides information on Forum membership issues that have arisen since the last Forum meeting. Details are provided below.

Schools Forum Annual Membership Review for September 2020

The Schools Forum regulations require that the balance of Forum membership is kept under review to ensure that the number of primary, secondary and academy members are reflective of the pupil population at those schools.

The latest breakdown of pupil numbers, based on the January 2020 census data, adjusted for known academy conversions and rounded to the nearest even number (to facilitate an equal split of headteacher/principal and governance members) is provided below:

<i>Phase</i>	<i>Current Membership</i>	<i>Adjusted pupil numbers January 2020</i>	<i>% of Adjusted pupils January 2020</i>	<i>Adjusted Membership September 2020</i>	<i>Variance</i>
Primary schools	22	97,055	57%	22	-
Secondary schools	10	40,270	24%	10	-
Academies	6	33,676	19%	8	2
Total	38	171,001	100%	40	2

Members may recall that the total number of maintained primary and secondary schools and academies places reduced to 38 at September 2019, down from 40 places in previous year. This was due to the maintained secondary membership tipping below the point where the rounding to the nearest even number provided a reduction from 12 to 10 places, but where the calculation did not suggest any change to the membership for academies or maintained primary schools.

For September 2020, the calculation provides for a further increase in the academy representation on the Forum, but does not require a reduction in maintained school numbers. It is therefore intended to increase the primary and secondary academy representation by two places to 10, which will return the total mainstream school places to 40.

Academy representatives have been asked to consider nominating one new principal and one new governor/trust member through their representative groups.

The number of places across these phases will continue to be reviewed going forward.

The Schools Forum annual membership review also seeks responses from schools representatives about whether members wish to continue on the Forum in the next academic year. A number of members have indicated that they will not be continuing on the Forum in September 2020 and this meeting will be their last.

Members leaving the Forum as part of this annual membership review include:

Jill Wright	Primary School Headteacher
Lesley Millard	Primary School Governor
Jonathan Walker	Primary School Governor

Members may also recall that the resignation of Brendan Hassett, Primary School Headteacher, was reported to the last meeting with an indication that the vacancy would be filled as part of the annual membership review.

Due to the current COVID-19 uncertainties responses from perspective Forum nominees have been limited and the LA has therefore decided to postpone the Forum nomination and election process until the autumn term 2020.

Primary School Governors

An existing primary school governor vacancy, following the previous resignation of Patricia Eastham, has recently been filled.

Karen Stracey, a governor from St Mary Magdalene's Roman Catholic Primary School, Burnley has joined the Forum.

LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM**Minutes of a meeting scheduled for 24 March 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 situation this meeting was cancelled and the business was undertaken using the Forum's electronic urgent business procedure.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Not applicable.

2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

Not applicable.

3. FORUM MEMBERSHIP

It was noted that Brendan Hassett has resigned from the Forum and thanks for his contribution to the Forum were recorded.

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 14 January 2020 were circulated to members.

5. MATTERS ARISING

Information was provided in connection with item 7ix Academy Access to LCC Vacancy Site, to indicate that confirmation has been received from BTLs that Academies within Lancashire who do not purchase BT Lancashire Services Payroll and Recruitment can now advertise on the Lancashire Teaching/ Non-Teaching vacancy site. Academies will be charged £100 per advert. A communication has been sent via a Schools Portal posting to Academy Headteachers

6. APPRENTICESHIP LEVY UPDATE

A presentation by the Apprenticeship Levy Team updating members on Schools Apprenticeship Levy issues will be rearranged for another time. A brief summary of the current position provided by the Apprenticeship Levy Team was circulated to members.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SCHOOLS BLOCK WORKING GROUP

A report was provided setting out the recommendations from the Schools Block Working Group held on 10 March 2020, and brief updates were provided on any developments since the meeting as part of a supplementary paper.

i. Schools Block Budget

This report provided an update on the finalisation of the Schools Budget 2020/21, other government funding announcements for 2020/21 and on early information about possible school funding developments in 2021/22 and beyond.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information provided;*

b) Asked to be kept informed of future developments.

ii. School Resource Management Adviser (SRMA)

This report provided an update and the latest SRMA developments, including reports from SMRA visits in Lancashire and the published ESFA report on the School Resource Management Adviser Pilot evaluation.

The Working Group:

Noted the report.

iii. Inclusion Hub Funding

This report provided information on the methodology for distributing Inclusion Hub funding to districts in 2020/21, which included a pupil numbers and deprivation factor.

The Working Group:

a) Noted the report;

b) Asked that information be requested in relation to the primary inclusion hub impact and any secondary sector developments.

iv. High Needs Block Provision Task and Finish Group Report

A brief verbal update was provided for the working group, which indicated that work on the Task and Finish Group work themes was continuing, with many tasks now embedded in ongoing county council processes.

The Working Group:

a) Noted the information provided.

b) Welcomed the work that was continuing around the HNB T&F group themes as part of the ongoing work of the county council.

v. Embedding System Leadership

This report provided information about 'Defining a new relationship with schools - Embedding System Leadership'.

The Working Group:

a) Noted the information provided.

b) Asked that a link to the new website be circulated to members

Colleagues leading on the Embedding System Leadership were due to attend the Forum, but this will have to be rearranged. In the meantime a link to the new system led school improvement model website is available [here](#)

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum ratified the Working Group's recommendations.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HIGH NEEDS BLOCK WORKING GROUP

A report was provided setting out the recommendations from the High Needs Block Working Group held on 5 March 2020, and brief updates were provided on any developments since the meeting as part of a supplementary paper.

i. High Needs Commissioned Places

Following comments received in the last Schools Budget setting round, the LA has been reviewing the communication process around commissioned place numbers.

The Working Group:

- a) Welcomed the proposed earlier communication process around commissioned places.*

ii. High Needs Block Funding

This report provided an update on the finalisation of the Schools Budget 2020/21, other government funding announcements for 2020/21 and on early information about possible high needs funding developments in 2021/22 and beyond.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information provided.*

iii. Developing the Approach and Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

The LCC Cabinet approved a number of recommendations arising from a report titled 'Developing the Approach and Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities'. The role of the Forum and the HNB Working Group were formally set out in the strategy.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;*
- b) Welcomed the formal strategy agreed by Cabinet and the identified links to the Schools Forum and High Needs Block Working Group which are set out in the Funding and Governance section of the Special Educational Needs and Disability Sufficiency Strategy 2019 – 2024;*
- c) Welcomed the additional places being offered in the Lancaster area, but also asked that the use of the former Skerton High School site be considered as a possible location to provide additional high needs places in the area;*
- d) Asked what plans the county council may have for the Broadfield School site, if the school moved into the former Hameldon School premises;*
- e) Enquired about the responses from mainstream schools to the request for expressions of interest to develop special educational needs units and asked for any further information around the funding of such units;*
- f) Acknowledged that Inclusion Service colleagues were tied up with preparations for the OfSTED inspection so were unable to attend the March HNB meeting, but asked if the service could ensure representation at future meetings, and wondered if there was a possibility of someone being available at the Schools Forum meeting on 24 March 2020 to respond to the queries raised.*

Inclusion Service colleagues were hoping to attend the meeting on the 24th, but this will have to be rearranged. Brief information was provided by the service in response to the Skerton High school site, the Broadfield site and the Expressions of Interest process for special educational needs units in mainstream schools.

iv. High Needs Block Provision Task and Finish Group Report

A brief verbal update was provided for the working group, which indicated that work on the Task and Finish Group work themes was continuing, with many tasks now embedded in ongoing county council processes.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information provided.*
- b) Welcomed the work that was continuing around the HNB T&F group themes as part of the ongoing work of the county council;*
- c) Asked if it were possible for the Schools Forum to receive a brief update on 24 March around the specific T&F group themes and the involvement of Forum members;*

Updates on High Needs Block Task and Finish Group will need to be rearranged for a future meeting.

v. *Embedding System Leadership*

This report provided information about 'Defining a new relationship with schools - Embedding System Leadership'.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;*
- b) Supported the educational vision behind the developments and the information provided at events throughout the county;*
- c) Commented that it may have been preferable to host combined Headteacher and CoG events to ensure representatives from a school received an identical message;*
- d) Acknowledged that there would always be uncertainties around any transition to a revised system/service offer;*
- e) Welcomed the involvement of cross sector school representatives on the Steering Group and the intention to introduce a newsletter and website to aid communication of key issues;*
- f) Requested that the names of the Steering Group representatives be published so that schools knew who to contact if they had queries or comments to feed into the process;*
- g) Commented that there was a perception that schools buying into the SSG would be subsidising the cost of the networks for schools that chose not to buy SSG from Lancashire;*
- h) Asked if information could be provided around the financial aspects of the new networks and the SSG offer;*
- i) Asked if someone would be available to attend the Schools Forum on 24 March to respond to the queries raised.*

Colleagues leading on the Embedding System Leadership were due to attend the Forum, but this will have to be rearranged. A link to the latest information was provided earlier in the Schools Block.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum ratified the Working Group's recommendations.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EARLY YEARS BLOCK WORKING GROUP

A report was provided setting out the recommendations from the Early Years Block Working Group held on 25 February 2020, and brief updates were provided on any developments since the meeting as part of a supplementary paper.

i. SEN Inclusion Fund

As requested at the last Working Group, updated SEN Inclusion Fund information had been re-circulated.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information.*

ii. Supplementary Claims Process for Maintained Settings

Following discussion at the last meeting, arrangements have been made to introduce a second supplementary payment opportunity for maintained settings from 2020/21.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information.*

iii. Early Years Block Funding

This report provided an update on the finalisation of the Schools Budget 2020/21, other government funding announcements for 2020/21 and on early information about possible early years funding developments in 2021/22 and beyond.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report and the final 2020/21 financial year funding decisions;*
- b) Recommended that future communications about EY funding rates highlighted that deprivation supplements continued to be paid in addition to base rates.*

iv. Future of Maintained Nursery Schools

Information was provided in connection with a report presented to the LCC Cabinet about the future of maintained nursery schools.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report.*

v. Payments for Social Services Supported Children

An update report on progress to revise procedures for payments for social services supported children, was presented.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;*
- b) Welcomed the proposed introduction of the revised proforma and funding arrangements for social services supported children.*

vi. *Local Government Association (LGA) Early Years Peer Review*

A Local Government Association (LGA) Early Years Peer Review has been arranged in Lancashire on the 24th-27th March 2020. The Peer Review Team undertake a number of visits, meetings and focus groups with key groups/individuals.

The Working Group:

- a) *Noted the report;*
- b) *Relevant members were encouraged to participate in the peer Review process.*

Due to COVID-19 considerations the early years peer review process has been postponed and will be rearranged for a later date.

vii. *EY Sustain*

The Chair provided a brief update on 'ey sustain' a registered charity with funds to provide free financial and business consultancy to Early Years settings in Lancashire in the private, voluntary and independent sector.

The Working Group:

- a) *Noted the report.*
- b) *Requested that a copy of the NDNA document be forwarded to members.*

Subsequent to the meeting the relevant NDNA document on ratios was circulated to EY group members.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum ratified the Working Group's recommendations.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CHAIR'S WORKING GROUP

A background paper was provided for the Forum in connection with the Schools in Financial Difficulty budget and a bid for a one-off financial allocation.

A meeting of the Chair's Working Group was due to be held in advance of the Forum on 24 March, but this was cancelled and detailed information was provided via email to members of the group. Some supplementary questions were raised, but all those responding supported the bid.

The Chair's Working Group recommended that an allocation of £243,000 be made from the Schools in Financial Difficulty budget to assist with the recovery at a Lancashire secondary school.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum ratified the Working Group's recommendations.

11. FORUM CORRESPONDENCE

A copy of a letter from Preston City Council to the Forum about 'academisation in Preston' was shared with members, along with some possible comments to inform a response from the Forum Chair.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum ratified the Forum response to the correspondence received.

12. URGENT BUSINESS

Background information was provided in connection with the use of the urgent business procedure to obtain feedback from the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group on a pressing matter around the Apprenticeship Levy Protocol for the Transfer of Schools Funding. This was because Apprenticeship Levy funding was now being returned to central government.

The Group supported the proposed 'transfer' protocol but asked that the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group be kept updated on the allocation of funds, in particular information about any allocations to and more detail around 'Organisations providing support to school'.

Having reviewed the responses, the Apprenticeship Levy Team will proceed with the schools levy transfer arrangements, but due to the uncertainties expressed, will not now include 'Organisations providing support to schools' in the eligible categories. This group remain eligible for support from transfers from the LCC levy.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum ratified the Steering Group's recommendations.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Three items of AOB were presented to the Forum seeking views on matters that related to the impact of COVID-19.

a) Early Education Funding (EEF) – Summer Term 2020 Payment Proposals

Government announcements in response to COVID-19 include confirmation that Early Education Funding will continue in the event that settings close. However, the county council is concerned that there is a significant risk to the sustainability of the PVI childcare sector if the LA is unable to pay providers in a timely way as a result of either staff shortages due to COVID19 sickness, or home working, which can impact on system speeds and reliability.

In response, a revised payment process for the summer term EEF payments, and subsequent terms if necessary, to mitigate this issue has been proposed. The paper set out more details of the proposed approach, which had the support of the Director of Education and Skills and the Director of Finance.

The Chair of the Early Years Working Block Group was supportive of the proposals, and to provide reassurance to the sector, the revised arrangements have been communicated to providers.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum ratified the Early Education Funding (EEF) payment proposals.

The Chair of the Early Years Block Working Group formally expressed thanks to Mel Foster and members of the Early Years Delivery Team for their efforts to deliver this funding to Early Years settings across the county that prevented any delays in processing and also provided

some certainty for settings during a very uncertain time. The team also delivered the funding ahead of the contracted payment date despite home working and all the issues that created.

The Chair of the Early Years has sent a letter to the Early Years Delivery Team to express thanks for the work undertaken and also the support provided by the Director of Education and Skills and the Director of Finance.

b) Clawback of balances at 31 March 2020

The Forum have previously agreed the clawback policy that would apply at 31 March 2020. However it was noted that there is a possibility that the current COVID-19 situation may impact on the year end procedures for some schools and the county council, including schools unable to complete normal year end closure processes by the published deadlines, backlogs in the county council around processing payments, possible government instructions around council priorities etc. Capital projects at some schools, which were due to be completed by year end, have also be delayed pushing payments back into the new financial year.

As individual school year end accounts may be affected by this, the Forum Chair has asked that the views of members be sought on a proposal to suspend the application of clawback at 31 March 2020.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum supported the suspension of clawback on school balances at 31 March 2020.

c) Supply Cover Insurance and Maternity Scheme for Lancashire Schools and COVID-19

A number of COVID-19 related questions relating to the Lancashire supply scheme rules had been received. A copy of the proposed rule applications were provided for the Forum to consider.

Using the electronic Urgent Business Procedure, the Forum supported the proposed Supply Scheme COVID-19 rule applications.

14. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The next scheduled Forum meeting will be held at 10.00am Thursday 2 July 2020 at County Hall, Preston, subject to COVID-19 implications.

LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

2 July 2020

Item No: 6

Title of Item: Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20

Appendix A refers

Executive Summary

This report provides information on the 2019/20 Schools Budget outturn position, including delegated school balances and provides information on responses from the Forum working groups on matters arising from the accounts, including clawback of school balances.

Recommendations

The Forum is asked to:

- a) Note the report;**
- b) Note the overall position of the Schools Budget and school balances at 31 March 2020, including the individual school level information provided in the report;**
- c) Note the recommendations expressed by each of the Working Groups in June 2020 using the Urgent Business Procedure;**
- d) Confirm a steer that proposals be developed around a possible DSG contribution to the risks associated with the closure or forced academisation of schools in deficit from:**
 - General de-delegation reserves;**
 - The general Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget.**
- e) Ratify the decision to 'Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued COVID-19 uncertainties';**
- f) Defer a decision on the future operation of the support staff element of the supply scheme in 2021/22 until the autumn term 2020;**
- g) Note the supplementary information provided on sickness absence comparisons in schools, and bear this information in mind when making any future recommendations about the 2020/21 supply scheme.**

Background

During the June 2020 cycle of meetings a report about the Schools Budget outturn position for 2019/20 was provided for each of the three Forum working groups. This information indicated that:

- The Schools Budget outturn position at 31 March 2020 was an overspend of some £1.593m;
- The final outturn position against schools delegated budgets at 31 March 2020 was an underspend of £1.752m.

A copy of the full report, which includes balances information on individual schools, is provided at Appendix A to the report.

This report summarises the comments and recommendations arising from the working groups' considerations of the outturn information using the Forum Urgent Business Procedure.

In considering the reports, all three working groups:

- **Noted the report;**
- **Noted the overall position of the Schools Budget and school balances at 31 March 2020, including the individual school level information provided in the report;**
- **Noted the previous Forum decision to suspend the application of clawback at 31 March 2020;**
- **Noted the overspend on the de-delegation budget at 31 March 2020;**
- **Noted the overspend on the supply scheme budget at 31 March 2020.**

Feedback was requested from the working groups in response to 3 key issues. The responses from each working group have been analysed, and it will be seen that there was no clear steer to emerge on some of the issues, so an analysis of all responses received is also provided for each issue. The responses receiving the most support from each group and overall has been highlighted and a possible decision for the Forum included for each issue.

The three issues were

- a) Feedback on possible DSG contributions to the risks associated with the closure or forced academisation of schools in deficit;
- b) Feedback on the policy that should be applied to school balances at 31 March 2021;
- c) Feedback on the options for the support staff element of the supply scheme in 2021/22.

Further details are provided below on each issue.

- a) **Feedback on possible DSG contributions to the risks associated with the closure or forced academisation of schools in deficit (Members could indicate all options they supported)**

Total Responses

Option	No of responses
Contribution from general Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget	20
Contribution from general de-delegation reserve	23
No response/ need further information	7
Further 'Structural Deficits' de-delegation, subject to consultation with schools	6
Other: comment about taking a more proactive approach to prevent schools accumulating significant deficits, for example by the suspension of delegation	1

High Needs Block

Option	No of responses
Contribution from general Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget	6
Contribution from general de-delegation reserve	6
No response	3
Further 'Structural Deficits' de-delegation, subject to consultation with schools	1
Other: comment about taking a more proactive approach to prevent schools accumulating significant deficits, for example by the suspension of delegation.	1

Early Years Block

Option	No of responses
Contribution from general Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget	4
Contribution from general de-delegation reserve	3
No response/Need further discussion before expressing a view	3

Schools Block

Option	No of responses
Contribution from general de-delegation reserve	14
Contribution from general Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget	10
Further 'Structural Deficits' de-delegation, subject to consultation with schools	5
No response	1

Recommendation

'Contribution from general de-delegation reserve' was the most supported response overall, with 23 'votes' (53% of all respondents). It was also the most supported (or equal most supported) response from 2 of the 3 working groups.

'Contribution from general Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget' also received considerable support, with 20 'votes' in total (47% of all respondents), and was also the most popular response (or equal most popular) response from 2 of the 3 working groups.

Other options 'Further 'Structural Deficits' de-delegation' and 'no response' received much less support.

The Forum is asked to confirm a steer that proposals be developed around a possible DSG contribution to the risks associated with the closure or forced academisation of schools in deficit from:

- **General de-delegation reserves;**
- **The general Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget.**

The proposals will be subject to a further report to the Forum.

The LA noted the comment about taking a more proactive approach to prevent schools accumulating significant deficits, for example by the suspension of delegation and intends to review the SIFD processes during the autumn term and information will be included in a SIFD update report in due course.

b) Feedback on the policy that should be applied to school balances at 31 March 2021

Total Responses

Option	No of responses
Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued COVID-19 uncertainties	18
Apply a similar policy in 2020/21 to that which was originally envisaged for 2019/20	13
Defer a decision until a later meeting	11
No Response	1

High Needs Block

Option	No of responses
Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued COVID-19 uncertainties	5
Apply a similar policy in 2020/21 to that which was originally envisaged for 2019/20	4
Defer a decision until a later meeting	3

Early Years Block

Option	No of responses
Defer a decision until a later meeting	4
Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued COVID-19 uncertainties	3
Apply a similar policy in 2020/21 to that which was originally envisaged for 2019/20	1
No response	1

Schools block

Option	No of responses
Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued COVID-19 uncertainties	10
Apply a similar policy in 2020/21 to that which was originally envisaged for 2019/20	7
Defer a decision until a later meeting	5

Recommendation

'Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued COVID-19 uncertainties' received the most 'votes' overall, with 18 (42% of all respondents) and was also the most popular response from 2 of the 3 working groups, but did not receive an overall majority. 'Defer a decision until a later meeting' was the most popular response from 1 working group, but was only the third most popular response overall.

The Forum is asked to ratify the decision to 'Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued COVID-19 uncertainties'

c) Feedback on the options for the support staff element of the supply scheme in 2021/22

Total Responses

Option	No of responses
No Response	6
Target the increases more directly at specific sectors	11
Discontinue the support staff scheme	7
Initiate a significant increase in the support staff premiums, of perhaps around 60% or 70%	6
Implement a more restrained level of increase for the support scheme	13

High Needs Block

Option	No of responses
No Response	3
Target the increases more directly at specific sectors	3
Discontinue the support staff scheme	2
Initiate a significant increase in the support staff premiums, of perhaps around 60% or 70%	2
Implement a more restrained level of increase for the support scheme	2

Early Years Block

Option	No of responses
Implement a more restrained level of increase for the support scheme	3
No Response	3
Target the increases more directly at specific sectors	2
Discontinue the support staff scheme	1

Schools Block

Option	No of responses
Implement a more restrained level of increase for the support scheme	8
Target the increases more directly at specific sectors	6
Discontinue the support staff scheme	4
Initiate a significant increase in the support staff premiums, of perhaps around 60% or 70%	4
No Response	0

Recommendation

'Implement a more restrained level of increase for the support scheme' was the most popular response overall with 13 'votes' (30% of all respondents) and was also the most popular response, (or equal most popular) from 2 of the 3 working groups. However, this option received support from less than a third of responses in total. 'Target the increases more directly at specific sectors' was the equal most popular

response from one working group and 'no response' was also equal most popular action from 2 working groups.

Given the current uncertainties around the demands on the scheme due to the COVID-19 pandemic, including revised scheme operational rules agreed by the Forum around supporting scheme members with shielding and self isolating in addition to sickness absence, the Forum may wish to defer a final recommendation on this issue until the autumn term, when more information about the claims position may be available.

The Forum is asked to formally defer a decision on the future operation of the support staff element of the supply scheme in 2021/22 until the autumn term 2020.

In responding to options about the continued overspend on the support staff element of the supply scheme a couple of responses questioned whether the consistent overspend on the support staff scheme is representative of a wider issue about levels of sickness absence amongst support staff in Lancashire schools.

Subsequent to the meeting, schools HR colleagues provided the following information and analysis in connection with the school sickness absence in Lancashire.

The following table provides data for number of days absence for support staff & teachers (April 2019-March 2020), broken down into short term and long term (long-term absence are those lasting longer than 28 calendar days) and also the full time equivalent number of staff:

	Short Term absence (days)	Long Term absence (days)	Total Days Lost	FTE	BVPI*	ST BVPI**	LT BVPI**	ST %	LT %
Teachers	14275	25187	39462	6478	6.09	2.20	3.89	36.17%	63.83%
Support staff	24616	35664	60280	8171	7.38	3.01	4.36	40.84%	59.16%

*BVPI = days lost per FTE employee

** ST BVPI and LT BVPI = days lost per FTE employee for short term and long term absence

This provides a Best Value Performance Indicator (BVPI) of around 6-7.4, with absences higher in the support staff category.

However, when using headcount statistics (i.e. number of bodies) rather than FTE, teacher absence is actually higher than support staff, as shown in the table below:

	Short Term (days)	Long Term (days)	Total Days Lost	Head-count	BVPI	ST BVPI	LT BVPI	ST %	LT %
Teachers	14275	25187	39462	7144	5.52	2.00	3.53	36.17%	63.83%
Support staff	24616	35664	60280	14950	4.03	1.65	2.39	40.84%	59.16%

In terms of comparisons with other regions, HR commented that there is limited information available, but whenever it is published Lancashire tends to be broadly similar to neighbouring authorities.

For comparison, the council's BVPI is usually somewhere between 9-10, so a BVPI of 6.81 days per FTE employee (all school staff) compares favourably.

The challenges around making the support staff scheme financially viable may stem from the origins of the scheme that was originally operated as a contingency fund, so the delegated level of funding was never going to be sufficient to operate the scheme on an economic footing when it was first offered as a buy-back in 2012/13. In subsequent years, the number of support staff in schools has perhaps been increasing meaning the support staff supply scheme has been playing catch up ever since.

The Forum is asked to note the supplementary information provided on sickness absence comparisons in schools, and bear this information in mind when making any future recommendations about the 2020/21 supply scheme.

LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Name of Group: High Needs / Early Years / Schools Block Working Groups

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Title of Item: Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20

Annex A refers

Executive Summary

This report provides information on the 2019/20 Schools Budget outturn position, including delegated school balances and seeks views on matters arising from the accounts, including clawback of school balances.

Recommendations

The Working Group is asked to:

- a) **Note the report;**
- b) **Note the overall position of the Schools Budget and school balances at 31 March 2020, including the individual school level information provided in the report;**
- c) **Express any views about a possible DSG contribution to future liabilities associated with school closures or sponsored academisations;**
- d) **Note the previous Forum decision to suspend the application of clawback at 31 March 2020;**
- e) **Express any views about the school balances and clawback arrangements to be applied at 31 March 2021;**
- f) **Note the overspend on the de-delegation budget at 31 March 2020;**
- g) **Note the overspend on the supply scheme budget at 31 March 2020 and express any views about the support staff scheme in 2021/22.**

Background

School Budget Outturn 2019/20

This section provides information on the Schools Budget outturn position for 2019/20.

The overall Schools Budget outturn position for 2019/20 shows an overspend of some £1.593m.

Members will recall that when considering the 2019/20 Schools Budget in January 2019, the Forum recommended that a proposal to devalue the Weighted Pupil Number (WPN) rate from the academic year 2019/20 was not taken forward, and it was agreed that the shortfall in funding should be met by the use of Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) reserves. This decision accounts for circa £1.3m of the year end overspend.

Budget monitoring presented to the Forum in January 2020 had forecast an overspend of circa £3.6m in the High Needs Block. The remainder of the forecast overspend related to increased demand and cost pressures across the High Needs Budget, particularly around the Out County budget. An element of growth was built into the 2019/20 budget and this has been supplemented by savings elsewhere in the original budget. However, the growth figure was always considered to be a conservative estimate of the likely increased demand and was constrained in the original budget setting process by the pressures on the HNB budget envelope.

An overall Schools Budget overspend of circa £1.6m in 2019/20 is considered a positive outcome, largely attributable to the conscious decision of the Forum not to proceed with the proposal to reduce WPN values in 2019/20, in order to protect some of the most vulnerable Lancashire pupils from the possible impact. This overspend has been met from the DSG reserve.

The outturn position of the DSG reserve at 31 March 2020 is shown below:

DSG Reserve	£m
Opening Balance	12.744
overspend 2019/20	-1.593
Closing Balance	11.151

The 2019/20 outturn report would ordinarily include further details of the key budget variances in each funding block that contributed to the final outturn position. Due to COVID-19 implications this information is not yet available, but will be presented to a future meeting.

School Balances Outturn 2019/20

This section sets out the year end position of schools' delegated budgets at 31 March 2020.

The final outturn position against schools delegated budgets at 31 March 2019 is an underspend of £1.752m. This means that school balances have increased by £1.752m in 2019/20, to a total of £47.319m.

The tables below show analysis of school balances by phase at the end of the financial year 2019/20.

2019/20 School Balances - In-Year Movement of Balances by Phase

Phase	Balance Brought Forward as at 1 April 2019	Less Net Expenditure 2019/20	Balance Carried Forward as at 31 March 20
	£m	£m	£m
Nursery	0.417	-0.034	0.383
Primary	34.935	1.018	35.953
Secondary	6.283	1.376	7.659
Special	2.813	-0.237	2.576
PRU	1.119	-0.371	0.748
Total	45.567	1.752	47.319

The outturn position shows an increase in the aggregate level of school balances at 31 March 2020 to £47.319.

The overall financial environment facing schools remained challenging in 2019/20 and the aggregate net expenditure position only returned to a positive figure due to various adjustments, including the closure or academisation of schools with large deficit balances during the course of 2019/20 that no longer contribute the 31 March 2020 school balances year end position. The net position relating to maintained schools that remain open at 31 March 2020 was an overspend of some £0.217m. Further information on this issue is provided later in this report.

A reduction in the level of balances held at March 2020 has been seen across nursery schools, special schools and PRUs and the secondary figure is only in surplus for the reasons stated above. This position reflects the ongoing pressure on school funding, where Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) income has, for a number of years, been cash flat, or has not kept pace with inflation.

Increased levels of funding have been made available in the DSG for 2020/21 and the impact this may have on school balances will be kept under review.

2019/20 School Balances –In-Year Movement Count of Schools by Phase

Phase	Count of deficit in year	Count of surplus in year
Nursery	11	13
Primary	209	255
Secondary	12	36
Special	16	13
PRU	7	2
Total	255	319

255 schools (44%) operated an in year deficit in 2019/20, spending funding from reserves. The significant numbers of schools, across all phases, using reserves in order to balance their budgets, is a further demonstration of the persistent financial pressures in the school sector. Within the PRU and special school sectors, more than half the schools within each phase spent more than their income in year.

The number of schools operating in year deficits has reduced slightly from figures in recent years, with 271 in 2018/19, 282 in 2017/18 and 368 in 2016/17.

2019/20 School Balances – No of Schools in Surplus/Deficit by Phase

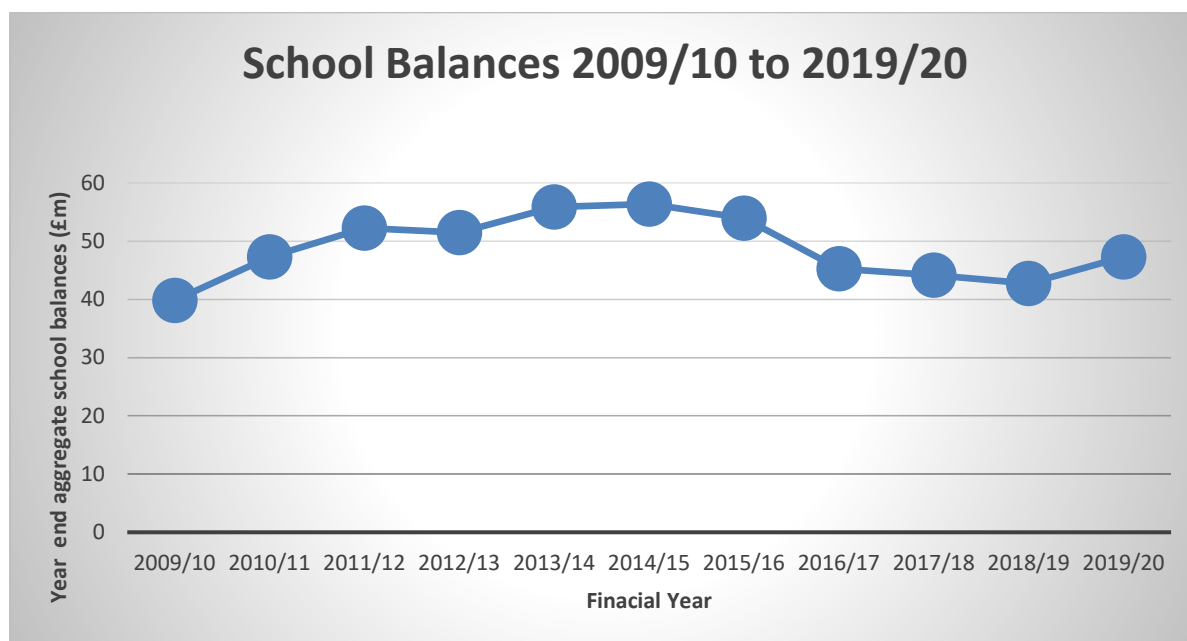
Phase	Count of deficit close balance	Count of surplus close balance
Nursery	6	18
Primary	23	441
Secondary	5	43
Special	6	23
PRU	1	8
Total	41	533

41 schools ended the 2019/20 financial year in deficit, including schools from all sectors. The number of schools in deficit at 31 March 2020 has increased slightly from 39 schools a year earlier, providing further evidence of the continuing financial pressures on schools.

A comparison showing the number of schools in deficit in recent years is provided below:

Year End	Number of schools in deficit
31 March 2020	41
31 March 2019	39
31 March 2018	47
31 March 2017	40
31 March 2016	25
31 March 2015	18

Aggregate School Balances by Year



The graph demonstrates the trend in aggregate school balances over recent years. Aggregate balances at 31 March 2020 have rebounded from their recent low point in 2018/19. School balances peaked in 2014/15.

To provide context for the total school balances, the current authority guideline for schools is to have reserves equating to 12% of their total Combined Financial Reporting (CFR) income or a minimum of £60,000. This is to ensure that individual schools can withstand potential financial risks and financial stresses. If all Lancashire schools held the guideline balance, the total balance would have been circa £102m, compared to the actual balances held of circa £47m.

Support for Schools in Deficit

Throughout the year, the County Council continued to provide significant targeted support and enhanced monitoring and early warning around Schools in Financial Difficulty. However, the financial environment for schools remains extremely difficult, with a number of key challenges continuing across all school sectors.

A specific review of the financial stability of the nursery school sector was commenced during the year, but has been paused due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Financial support will continue throughout 2020/21 with differing delivery methods being utilised during the current coronavirus outbreak. Budget monitoring will also assess the financial impact on individual schools associated with the operational changes necessitated by COVID-19 and the increased level of DSG funding that was allocated in Lancashire from April 2020.

School Closures/Academy Conversions

During 2019/20, 8 schools converted to become academies and a further 2 schools closed.

As members will be aware, convertor academies take a surplus or deficit balance with them to their academy trust, whereas the balance at a sponsored academy remains with the LA "to be funded from its core budget. School deficits are not an allowable charge on the LA's schools budget (funded by its allocation of Dedicated Schools Grant); however, if the schools forum has agreed to de-delegate a contingency provision, then the deficit may be funded from that contingency, depending on the criteria agreed for its use."

Similarly, provisions in the statutory Scheme for Financing Schools guidance indicates that "When a school closes, any balance (whether surplus or deficit) reverts to the Authority".

Historically, the Schools Forum had created a 'structural deficits' reserve in the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) in response to the risks associated with the possible closure/academisation of schools with deficit budgets.

In response to the introduction of the DfE guidance on balances for school academisations, a consultation was held with schools proposing to delegate this reserve to schools and then create a de-delegation, so that the funding could continue to be used for its original purpose. Following the consultation, the Schools Forum agreed to this de-delegation from primary and secondary schools in 2017/18. A similar 'group buy-back' arrangement was agreed by special schools and PRUs.

The total funding available in 2017/18 was circa £4.5m and has been added to in the subsequent years from clawback of excess balances, underspends on the general SIFD de-delegation, and any positive balances from closing schools or sponsored academisations. This funding has been used to manage the risk when schools close, or become sponsored academies from a deficit budget position.

The position of the 10 individual schools that closed or academised during 2019/20 are not included in the analysis above, but the overall impact of the academisations/school closures is provide in the table below:

Analysis of movements on schools reserves 2019/20

Schools Balances	£m
Opening Balance	42.741
Individual Schools net overspend 2019/20	-0.217
Convertor Academy conversions	-0.739
Deficit sponsored conversions/closed schools	5.534
Closing Balance	47.319

The adjustment for the 'deficit sponsored conversions/closed schools' comes from the Schools in Financial Difficulty De-delegation reserve, and the 31 March 2020 year end position for the reserve is shown below:

Schools in Financial Difficulty Reserve	£m
Opening Balance	5.526
Individual school contribution	-0.119
SIFD de-delegation underspend 2019/20	0.418
Clawback 2018/19	0.047
Capital balance closing school	0.061
Deficit closing conversions/closed schools	-5.534
Closing Balance	0.400

A closing balance on this reserve of £0.4m will be insufficient to meet future demands due to closing schools/academisations.

In April 2020, the county council confirmed decisions to close Hendon Brook PRU and Thomas Whitham 6th Form school on 31 August 2020. Both these schools had deficit budgets at the end of the 2019/20 financial year and could close with a combined budget deficit of circa £5.1m.

In addition, there are medium term risks of closure/academisations that could include a further circa £3m of deficits.

Early feedback from the Forum would be welcomed on possible DSG contributions to this risk going forward. Possible options include the following, but if there are further options you would like us to explore, please let us know:

a) De-delegation Reserve

The specific SIFD de-delegated 'structural deficits' reserve has been reduced to £0.4m. However, there are also balances of other de-delegations, which are accounted for accumulatively in the DSG. At 31 March 2020, the overall de-delegation reserve stood at £0.359m. This general de-delegation reserve could potentially be used to contribute to the future liability, if the Schools Forum agreed.

b) Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation budget

Whilst the 'structural deficits' de-delegated was a one off, the ongoing support for SIFD is an annual de-delegation. The SIFD funding contributes to the financial support offered to schools, assists with the costs of school staffing reorganisations that contribute to making budgets sustainable going forward and can provide one-off allocations to help schools return to surplus. Some of this funding could continue to contribute to the school closure/academisation deficits costs, if that were agreed with the Forum. A contribution from this budget would have to be weighed against any reduced activity that could be supported if the available SIFD

funding decreased, although it should be noted that the SIFD de-delegation underspent in 2019/20.

Any recommendations about the partial reimbursement of the Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation for 2020/21 relating to the inclusion of financial health checks for schools (a separate report is provided on the Schools Block agenda) may also impact on this consideration.

c) Further 'Structural Deficits' de-delegation

When schools and the Forum agreed to the original 'structural deficits' de-delegation in 2017/18, funding from an existing Schools Budget reserve was delegated to schools and then 'de-delegated', meaning the impact on individual school budgets was net nil. However, schools and the Forum could be consulted again on a further 'structural deficits' de-delegation, although it may be harder to sell this approach a second time, as there is no existing reserve to delegate on this occasion, so the de-delegation would impact on individual school budgets in that year.

d) Other

Please let us know if there are further options you would like us to explore.

Individual School Balances 2019/20

Attached at **Annex A** are details about the movement in balances at an individual school level in 2019/20. As previously requested by the Forum, in addition to the year-end balance by school, information is included in this annex setting out:

- Balance as a % of CFR income;
- Balance per pupil.

Members will be aware that in March 2020, due to a number of COVID-19 factors that may have impacted on the school year end procedures, the Forum supported the suspension of clawback on school balances at 31 March 2020. The annex has previously included a figure relating to the 'Year-end balance adjusted for approved exemptions' for each school. This column is not necessary this year, as no exemptions need be applied if the application of clawback is suspended.

Clawback 2018/19

No specific projects for the use of the funding clawed back at 31 March 2019 were proposed during 2019/20 and, as previously agreed by the Forum, the unallocated funding of circa £0.047m, was transferred to the Schools in Financial Difficulty Reserve at 31 March 2020.

School Balances and Clawback Policy 2020/21

The DfE/ESFA have not announced any new legislative or guidance updates that will impact on the Forum's decisions around schools balances and clawback for 2020/21

and the LA has not brought forward any specific proposals for changes to the current policy for the Forum's consideration.

The Forum are asked to consider the policy that should be applied to school balances at 31 March 2021. Options include:

- a) Suspend the application of clawback at March 2021 due to the continued uncertainties around the COVID-19 pandemic;
- b) Apply a similar policy in 2020/21 to that which was originally envisaged for 2019/20. This is summarised below:

The current maximum guideline balance is:

- o 12% of Consistent Financial reporting (CFR) income for all phases of maintained school
- o A £60,000 minimum balance threshold will be applied.

The clawback arrangements are:

- o A clawback rate of 50% is to be applied to any balance above guideline in the first year a school exceeds the guideline (after adjusting for exemptions);
 - o A clawback rate of 100% is to be applied to any balance in excess of guideline where the guideline has been breached for two or more consecutive years (after adjusting for exemptions);
 - o Exemptions from clawback as applied in 2019/20.
- c) Defer a decision until a later meeting when more information about the ongoing impact of COVID-19 may be available;
 - d) Other suggestions that members may have.

On balance, officers would perhaps favour a further suspension of clawback at March 2021. This would provide some reassurance for schools in these unprecedented circumstances that losing funding would not be a concern. This is because there is uncertainty about the process and timescales for accessing government COVID-19 funding, which may impact on balances and schools may have put many spending plans on hold during the crisis, but will wish to move forward with the expenditure when things return to some normality.

Other Schools Budget Reserve 2019/20

Information on the 2019/20 outturn position for delegated school balances, the DSG Reserve and the Schools in Financial Difficulty Reserve have been provided at relevant sections earlier in the report. This section provides information on the remaining Schools Budget reserves.

The De-Delegation Reserve

As referred to earlier, the non-SIFD de-delegations are accounted for accumulatively in the DSG. The outturn position at 31 March 2020, is provide in the table below.

De-delegated Reserves	£m
Opening Balance	0.479
Overspend 2019/20	-0.120
Closing Balance	0.359

As can be seen, the de-delegations overspent by £120k in 2019/20, reducing the remaining reserve to £359k.

Further investigation will be undertaken around any particular areas that contributed to the year end position, and the future charges for any 2021/22 de-delegation proposals to be presented to the Forum in October 2020 may need to be adjusted to take account of the overspend.

School Teaching and Support Staff Supply Reimbursement Scheme

The outturn position at 31 March 2020 for the School Teaching and Support Staff Supply Reimbursement Scheme revealed an overspend of over £130k, as shown in the table below:

Supply Teacher Reserve	£m
Opening Balance	1.171
Overspend 2019/20	-0.133
Closing Balance	1.037

This overspend was made up of a circa £168k underspend on the teacher element of the scheme and a £300k plus overspend on the support staff scheme. This support staff scheme figure represents an overspend equivalent to about a third of the premiums received for this element of the scheme.

Members may recall that the support staff scheme was originally operated as a contingency fund, so when funding was delegated in 2012/13, due to changes in government regulations, and a buy-back offered to schools to recover the level of

funding delegated it was never going to be sufficient to operate the scheme on an economic footing. This was why the Forum supported the merging of the teaching and support staff schemes, so that greater economies of scale and resilience could be provided for the support staff element of the scheme as it moved to full cost recovery in its own right.

The overriding principle about the operation of the supply scheme previously expressed by the Forum is that the overall scheme should be self financing from premium income. When considering this principle, the Forum have always recommended that in the years since the support staff buy-back was offered, premiums should be increased to ensure that the scheme ceased to be a drain on the teaching element.

In subsequent years, some significant increases have been imposed on the support staff premiums. Increases of upto 60% year on year have been initiated in some years and the question of whether the support staff scheme should continue have also been posed. The Forum have always supported the continuation of the scheme, especially as some sectors, for example nursery schools or special schools rely more heavily on support staff for their operation, but the Forum have asked that the efforts be made to ensure that the support staff scheme became economically viable.

Despite the year on year increases to the support staff premiums, this element of the scheme has never managed to become self-financing. The overspends have varied significantly between years, and the table below shows the scheme outturn position since 2014/15, broken down into the teaching and support staff elements and the overall scheme position.

Year	Teacher Scheme Outturn	Support Staff Scheme Outturn	Total Outturn
2014/15	£157,769	-£479,568	-£321,799
2015/16	£254,103	-£242,975	£11,128
2016/17	£294,000	-£26,000	£268,000
2017/18	£334,348	-£38,649	£295,699
2018/19	£64,309	-£145,785	-£81,476
2019/20	£168,114	-£301,478	-£133,364

The 2019/20 outturn position leaves the scheme with an overall reserve of £1.037m.

A report will be presented to the Working Groups during the autumn cycle of meetings seeking views on the scheme offer to be made to schools for 2021/22, but members are asked to consider providing a steer at the current time as to the preferred options that could be pursued.

In considering the options it should also be remembered that the 2020/21 scheme year will be an unusual one due to the COVID-10 pandemic. This is likely to place an even greater burden on both the teaching and support staff schemes, although some funding pressures may be offset by the period of schools closures from March 2020, which reduced the need to secure supply cover, except where agreements were in place due to existing long-term absences.

Options for the support staff scheme in 2021/22 could include (these relate to the support staff scheme only):

- a) Discontinue the support staff scheme, as it has never been self-financing since the buy-back was first introduced in 2012/13. This would create greater confidence that the overall scheme could operate on an economic footing, but may impact more severely on some phases of school that rely more heavily on support staff;
- b) Initiate a significant increase in the support staff premiums, of perhaps around 60% or 70% in order to increase the scheme income to a level that should cover the reimbursements. This would give the support staff scheme a higher likelihood of breaking even, but would cost individual schools significantly more to buy into the support staff scheme;
- c) Target the increases more directly at specific sectors. Whilst almost all sectors overspent their support staff premiums in 2019/20, special schools were responsible for the biggest proportion of the overspend. This situation does tend to vary from year to year;
- d) Implement a more restrained level of increase across the support scheme, but accept that some cross subsidy from the teaching scheme will likely be necessary.

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01162	1049	Appletree Nursery	NURSERY	(92,362)	(77,793)		(170,155)	290,287	52	-58.62%	(3,272)
06160	1021	Stoneygate Nursery	NURSERY	57,258	(50,682)		6,575	439,019	75	1.50%	88
08160	1018	Moorgate Nursery	NURSERY	34,893	(27,506)		7,387	272,164	18	2.71%	410
09160	1003	Highfield Nursery	NURSERY	55,532	(23,594)		31,938	474,071	82	6.74%	389
09161	1002	Duke Street Nursery	NURSERY	16,424	40,484		56,908	540,809	87	10.52%	654
11160	1000	Lee Royd Nursery	NURSERY	53,016	(15,747)		37,270	480,692	90	7.75%	414
11161	1024	Fairfield Nursery	NURSERY	61,555	(2,795)		58,760	556,352	95	10.56%	619
11162	1027	Ribblesdale Nursery	NURSERY	4,583	4,667		9,250	336,686	46	2.75%	201
12166	1008	Ightenhill Nursery	NURSERY	48,688	7,459		56,147	340,113	52	16.51%	1,080
12168	1001	Rockwood Nursery	NURSERY	25,833	22,350		48,183	515,843	89	9.34%	541
12169	1007	Rosegrove Nursery	NURSERY	35,519	14,624		50,143	473,622	77	10.59%	651
12171	1011	Stoneyholme Nursery	NURSERY	44,097	3,598		47,695	431,580	83	11.05%	575
12172	1035	Whitegate Nursery	NURSERY	4,937	(29,827)		(24,890)	517,395	83	-4.81%	(300)
12173	1047	Basnett Street Nursery	NURSERY	22,403	29,368		51,771	552,427	81	9.37%	639
12174	1048	Taywood Nursery	NURSERY	(183,044)	24,545		(158,500)	723,351	116	-21.91%	(1,366)
12175	1050	Reedley Hallows Nursery	NURSERY	90,511	6,091		96,602	849,884	174	11.37%	555
13160	1015	Bradley Nursery	NURSERY	114,212	(16,946)		97,266	929,015	177	10.47%	550
13161	1016	Walton Lane Nursery	NURSERY	63,462	(10,354)		53,108	1,092,051	74	4.86%	718
13162	1026	Woodfield Nursery	NURSERY	17,988	40,544		58,532	499,086	97	11.73%	603
13163	1034	Nelson Mcmillan Nursery	NURSERY	(101,528)	27,615		(73,913)	464,653	76	-15.91%	(973)
13164	1028	Colne Newtown Nursery	NURSERY	(61,679)	19,699		(41,979)	644,466	101	-6.51%	(416)
14161	1031	Hillside Nursery	NURSERY	(10,805)	(28,204)		(39,009)	341,024	54	-11.44%	(722)
14162	1037	Bacup Nursery	NURSERY	60,670	(10,456)		50,215	506,993	88	9.90%	571
14163	1046	Staghills Nursery	NURSERY	54,791	18,479		73,270	777,249	93	9.43%	788
01001	2017	Bowerham Community	PRIMARY	141,868	(30,571)		111,297	2,109,374	418	5.28%	266
01002	2019	Dallas Road Community	PRIMARY	97,751	36,852		134,602	1,875,810	416	7.18%	324
01003	2024	Willow Lane Community	PRIMARY	105,080	14,408		119,488	1,181,486	190	10.11%	629
01005	3530	Christ Church CE	PRIMARY	18,499	44,354		62,854	1,084,423	207	5.80%	304
01006	3531	Scotforth St Paul's CE	PRIMARY	67,268	21,730		88,997	1,030,072	205	8.64%	434
01008	3705	St Josephs. Lancaster	PRIMARY	72,011	28,212		100,223	1,224,829	183	8.18%	548
01009	3533	Skerton St Luke's CE	PRIMARY	31,140	(3,435)		27,705	1,090,470	207	2.54%	134
01010	3706	The Cathedral Catholic	PRIMARY	92,396	13,615		106,011	998,426	193	10.62%	549
01011	2020	Castle View Primary	PRIMARY	120,154	28,114		148,268	1,208,101	160	12.27%	927
01012	2021	Lancaster Ryelands	PRIMARY	262,999	(55,058)		207,941	2,325,528	351	8.94%	592
01013	3520	Arkholme CE Primary	PRIMARY	12,328	6,666		18,994	464,095	77	4.09%	247
01014	3521	Caton St Paul's CE	PRIMARY	42,732	65,397		108,129	918,535	175	11.77%	618
01015	2370	Moorside Primary	PRIMARY	84,381	(22,464)		61,917	2,593,501	586	2.39%	106
01016	3527	St Wilfrid's CE. Halton	PRIMARY	113,922	16,907		130,829	1,094,493	246	11.95%	532
01017	3528	Hornby St Margaret's CE	PRIMARY	48,409	8,165		56,573	388,054	53	14.58%	1,067
01018	2031	Nether Kellet Community	PRIMARY	60,160	5,887		66,047	609,302	110	10.84%	600
01019	3670	Ov Kell Wilson's Endowed	PRIMARY	(9,308)	27,851		18,543	666,606	131	2.78%	142
01020	3534	Leck St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	8,943	36,065		45,008	321,300	34	14.01%	1,324
01021	3535	Melling St Wilfrid CE	PRIMARY	52,260	(4,337)		47,923	309,028	30	15.51%	1,597
01022	3082	Quernmore CE Primary	PRIMARY	35,513	(11,021)		24,492	564,586	101	4.34%	242
01023	3084	Tatham Fells CE Primary	PRIMARY	37,293	4,366		41,659	327,261	41	12.73%	1,016
01024	3607	St Bernadette's Catholic	PRIMARY	100,768	(6,629)		94,139	917,651	212	10.26%	444
01025	2653	Caton Community Primary	PRIMARY	(22,798)	16,794		(6,004)	316,965	32	-1.89%	(188)
01027	3017	Wray With Botton Endowed	PRIMARY	59,398	(1,375)		58,023	415,810	54	13.95%	1,075
01028	3519	Cfth Christ Church CE	PRIMARY	45,158	12,671		57,828	571,219	105	10.12%	551
01029	3543	Slyne-With-Hest St Lukes	PRIMARY	74,645	(27,942)		46,703	1,075,922	231	4.34%	202
01030	3518	Bolton-Le-Sands CE	PRIMARY	75,222	(19,960)		55,262	1,308,780	305	4.22%	181
01031	3703	Our Lady Of Lourdes	PRIMARY	39,007	15,677		54,685	597,345	80	9.15%	684
01032	3168	Archbishop Hutton's	PRIMARY	22,127	8,005		30,132	627,799	96	4.80%	314
01034	3551	Yealand CE Primary	PRIMARY	17,335	6,073		23,409	309,302	29	7.57%	807
01035	3542	Silverdale St John's CE	PRIMARY	50,255	9,123		59,378	504,152	66	11.78%	900
01036	3546	Thurnham Glasson CE	PRIMARY	36,165	(950)		35,215	308,607	20	11.41%	1,761
01038	3522	Cockerham Parochial CE	PRIMARY	12,005	(3,176)		8,829	525,319	84	1.68%	105
01039	3524	Dolphinholme CE Primary	PRIMARY	48,234	11,918		60,152	562,930	87	10.69%	691
01041	3525	Ellel St John CE	PRIMARY	80,720	5,918		86,639	986,692	212	8.78%	409

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01042	3539	Abbeystead Cawthorn End	PRIMARY	29,731	7,422		37,153	320,955	29	11.58%	1,281
01044	2014	Carnforth North Road	PRIMARY	(15,541)	7,188		(8,353)	836,471	151	-1.00%	(55)
01046	3538	Overton St Helen's CE	PRIMARY	68,941	17,902		86,843	828,663	172	10.48%	505
01049	2576	Great Wood Primary	PRIMARY	128,845	30,996		159,841	1,824,013	412	8.76%	388
01050	2425	Torrisholme Community	PRIMARY	118,472	24,544		143,016	1,811,754	412	7.89%	347
01051	2025	Morecambe Bay Community	PRIMARY	81,437	(63,356)		18,081	1,974,629	295	0.92%	61
01052	2029	West End Primary	PRIMARY	85,210	17,861		103,072	1,179,358	189	8.74%	545
01053	2028	Sandylands Community	PRIMARY	181,145	(28,329)		152,817	2,349,789	395	6.50%	387
01054	2027	Lancaster Road Primary	PRIMARY	157,211	43,481		200,692	2,645,472	542	7.59%	370
01055	3537	Poulton-Le-Sands CE	PRIMARY	106,493	6,687		113,179	1,078,376	178	10.50%	636
01056	3536	Heysham St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	98,214	(12,769)		85,444	1,079,536	244	7.91%	350
01057	3707	St Mary's Catholic Morecambe	PRIMARY	97,105	11,492		108,597	1,014,417	180	10.71%	603
01058	2368	Trumacar Community	PRIMARY	169,790	36,052		205,841	1,928,028	358	10.68%	575
01059	3605	St Patrick's. Morecambe	PRIMARY	84,695	(58,436)		26,259	1,042,863	196	2.52%	134
01060	2827	Westgate Primary School	PRIMARY	239,573	(123,830)		115,743	2,912,307	603	3.97%	192
01061	2831	Grosvenor Park Primary	PRIMARY	50,108	5,621		55,729	1,527,197	315	3.65%	177
01062	2832	Mossgate Primary	PRIMARY	113,749	(10,297)		103,452	1,057,663	209	9.78%	495
02001	2396	Carr Head Primary	PRIMARY	126,452	(18,295)		108,157	1,059,925	210	10.20%	515
02002	2541	The Breck Primary	PRIMARY	138,414	(2,125)		136,289	1,608,233	283	8.47%	482
02003	2622	Carleton Green Community	PRIMARY	152,534	61,093		213,627	1,569,720	306	13.61%	698
02005	3570	St Chad's CE Primary	PRIMARY	53,411	(13,270)		40,141	1,110,244	242	3.62%	166
02006	3719	St John's. Poulton	PRIMARY	79,050	(7,373)		71,677	909,159	208	7.88%	345
02007	3571	Carleton St Hilda's CE	PRIMARY	105,501	(58,510)		46,992	982,044	195	4.79%	241
02008	2822	Chaucer Community	PRIMARY	125,717	(62,744)		62,973	1,582,361	280	3.98%	225
02009	3709	St Mary's Catholic Fleetwood	PRIMARY	50,545	(6,320)		44,225	847,797	147	5.22%	301
02013	2527	Larkholme Primary	PRIMARY	48,353	(21,473)		26,880	1,407,503	279	1.91%	96
02014	2404	Charles Saer Community	PRIMARY	109,558	28,788		138,346	1,899,504	305	7.28%	454
02016	2821	Shakespeare Primary	PRIMARY	109,741	30,391		140,132	1,932,733	415	7.25%	338
02017	3711	St Wulstans & St Edmunds	PRIMARY	26,838	(1,200)		25,638	1,330,740	250	1.93%	103
02018	2836	Fleetwood Flakefleet	PRIMARY	172,753	(86,086)		86,667	2,470,760	413	3.51%	210
02019	3126	Carter's Charity Primary	PRIMARY	96,579	(1,143)		95,436	927,269	180	10.29%	530
02020	3572	Fleetwood's Charity CE	PRIMARY	70,873	18,262		89,134	774,390	125	11.51%	713
02022	3568	Pilling St John's CE	PRIMARY	61,866	2,578		64,444	585,120	98	11.01%	658
02023	3718	St William's Catholic	PRIMARY	8,304	8,221		16,525	323,031	31	5.12%	533
02024	3554	Great Eccleston Copp CE	PRIMARY	15,511	8,107		23,618	686,528	128	3.44%	185
02025	3712	St Mary's. Gt Eccleston	PRIMARY	17,074	1,101		18,175	283,105	27	6.42%	673
02027	2045	Stalmine Primary	PRIMARY	57,281	(24,375)		32,905	483,276	81	6.81%	406
02030	2517	Stanah Primary	PRIMARY	108,907	82,151		191,058	1,833,813	386	10.42%	495
02031	2492	Northfold Community	PRIMARY	108,907	8,326		117,233	1,052,217	208	11.14%	564
02032	3720	Sacred Heart. Thornton	PRIMARY	72,176	32,283		104,459	1,043,759	210	10.01%	497
02033	3125	Baines Endowed Primary	PRIMARY	73,935	(2,819)		71,116	1,074,265	207	6.62%	344
02035	2047	Thornton Primary	PRIMARY	26,435	(11,770)		14,665	734,236	124	2.00%	118
02036	2048	Royles Brook Primary	PRIMARY	138,131	21,979		160,110	1,372,275	294	11.67%	545
02037	3016	Kirkland St Helen's CE	PRIMARY	74,745	26,667		101,412	734,960	142	13.80%	714
02038	2030	Nateby Primary	PRIMARY	1,054	19,381		20,435	508,332	78	4.02%	262
02039	2016	Forton Primary	PRIMARY	37,404	21,339		58,743	509,905	57	11.52%	1,031
02040	3548	St Michael's-On-Wyre CE	PRIMARY	47,502	(2,013)		45,489	685,583	117	6.64%	389
02041	3517	Bleasdale CE	PRIMARY	53,551		(31,187)	22,364	57,888	#N/A	38.63%	#N/A
02042	3704	St Mary's. Cloughton	PRIMARY	28,865	(4,764)		24,100	314,305	35	7.67%	689
02043	3516	Bilsborrow John Cross CE	PRIMARY	14,180	12,580		26,760	487,593	66	5.49%	405
02044	3515	Calder Vale St Johns CE	PRIMARY	58,685	(12,466)		46,219	361,310	21	12.79%	2,201
02045	3529	Inskip St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	41,356	(15,188)		26,168	356,896	56	7.33%	467
02046	3526	Garstang St Thomas' CE	PRIMARY	17,774	48,461		66,235	969,528	199	6.83%	333
02047	3550	Winmarleigh CE Primary	PRIMARY	57,610	(1,153)		56,457	322,621	26	17.50%	2,171
02048	3668	Scorton CE Primary	PRIMARY	57,312	(4,725)		52,586	426,721	56	12.32%	939
02049	2530	Garstang Community	PRIMARY	76,716	(30,388)		46,329	925,932	204	5.00%	227
02050	3702	Ss Mary & Michael	PRIMARY	65,398	(27,372)		38,026	784,008	142	4.85%	268
02051	3075	Staining CE Primary	PRIMARY	114,632	(10,638)		103,994	1,047,873	218	9.92%	477
02052	2826	Manor Beach Primary	PRIMARY	143,223	(35,836)		107,386	1,205,569	224	8.91%	479

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04029	3575	Weeton St Michael's CE	PRIMARY	30,997	4,835		35,832	399,079	45	8.98%	796
04030	3573	Ribby W Wrea Endowed CE	PRIMARY	49,058	5,221		54,279	790,883	152	6.86%	357
04031	3552	Warton St Paul's CE	PRIMARY	5,793	21,414		27,207	573,099	71	4.75%	383
04032	3553	Freckleton CE Primary	PRIMARY	55,537	15,725		71,262	1,045,450	194	6.82%	367
04033	3574	Singleton CE Primary	PRIMARY	35,975	8,940		44,915	563,392	103	7.97%	436
04034	5200	Newton Bluecoat CE	PRIMARY	25,301	12,643		37,944	1,028,934	200	3.69%	190
04035	3616	Holy Family. Warton	PRIMARY	63,045	13,012		76,058	687,243	120	11.07%	634
04036	2446	Freckleton Strike Lane	PRIMARY	(12,354)	56,551		44,198	1,047,489	185	4.22%	239
04037	3557	Kirkham St Michael's CE	PRIMARY	32,669	82,449		115,118	1,018,585	172	11.30%	669
04038	3713	The Willows Catholic	PRIMARY	71,217	35,954		107,171	980,440	206	10.93%	520
04039	2041	Kirkham & Wesham Primary	PRIMARY	8,337	39,299		47,636	1,047,934	198	4.55%	241
04040	3717	St Joseph's. Wesham	PRIMARY	33,573	4,743		38,316	597,844	97	6.41%	395
04041	3565	Medlar-With-Wesham CE	PRIMARY	97,703	11,045		108,748	892,772	179	12.18%	608
04042	3976	Treales CE Primary	PRIMARY	37,919	17,017		54,937	387,288	54	14.18%	1,017
04043	2406	Weeton Primary	PRIMARY	125,459	1,562		127,021	1,191,984	144	10.66%	882
04044	2426	Lytham St Annes Mayfield	PRIMARY	59,712	7,820		67,532	1,642,138	311	4.11%	217
04045	2497	Lytham St Annes Clifton	PRIMARY	64,139	(32,015)		32,124	1,238,471	258	2.59%	125
04046	2042	Lytham St Annes Ansdell	PRIMARY	73,234	(18,972)		54,262	1,096,310	242	4.95%	224
04047	3814	Heyhouses Endowed CE	PRIMARY	(21,664)	35,821		14,158	2,748,831	617	0.52%	23
04048	3715	Our Lady Star Of The Sea	PRIMARY	94,007	(5,618)		88,389	1,039,264	210	8.50%	421
04049	3562	Lytham CE Primary	PRIMARY	38,343	8,325		46,668	1,147,143	229	4.07%	204
04050	3716	St Peter's Catholic	PRIMARY	41,736	5,238		46,973	1,080,056	205	4.35%	229
04051	3564	St Thomas' CE Primary	PRIMARY	53,986	(29,748)		24,238	953,158	202	2.54%	120
04052	2615	Lytham Hall Park	PRIMARY	101,875	75,857		177,732	1,865,933	395	9.53%	450
06001	3638	Blessed Sacrament	PRIMARY	145,479	39,602		185,081	2,220,153	380	8.34%	487
06002	2185	Brookfield Community	PRIMARY	25,568	(411)		25,157	1,023,532	178	2.46%	141
06005	2188	Eldon Primary	PRIMARY	104,165	27,757		131,922	1,299,716	208	10.15%	634
06007	3639	English Martyrs Catholic	PRIMARY	96,626	(513)		96,113	1,130,363	205	8.50%	469
06008	2189	Brockholes Wood Primary	PRIMARY	90,341	(30,666)		59,675	1,258,791	233	4.74%	256
06009	2190	Frenchwood Community	PRIMARY	85,013	(571)		84,441	1,616,963	317	5.22%	266
06010	2191	Preston Grange Primary	PRIMARY	102,210	13,645		115,855	1,127,232	183	10.28%	633
06011	2192	Greenlands Community	PRIMARY	80,899	(4,763)		76,135	1,219,524	201	6.24%	379
06012	2193	Holme Slack Community	PRIMARY	40,608	36,848		77,457	1,422,813	204	5.44%	380
06013	3653	Holy Family Catholic	PRIMARY	25,646	42,960		68,606	914,112	153	7.51%	448
06014	2200	Ingol Primary	PRIMARY	60,838	17,169		78,007	1,026,884	178	7.60%	438
06016	2196	Moor Nook Community	PRIMARY	148,803	(1,336)		147,467	1,307,849	183	11.28%	806
06019	2195	Ribbleton Avenue Infant	PRIMARY	88,379	(15,934)		72,444	1,288,579	206	5.62%	352
06020	3001	Ribbleton Ave Meth Jnr	PRIMARY	135,368	8,853		144,222	1,444,147	266	9.99%	542
06021	2197	The Roebuck	PRIMARY	91,348	(22,533)		68,815	1,477,271	285	4.66%	241
06022	3642	Sacred Heart. Preston	PRIMARY	105,840	7,314		113,154	1,040,730	183	10.87%	618
06023	3634	St Andrew's CE	PRIMARY	190,066	(11,584)		178,482	1,752,820	419	10.18%	426
06024	3643	St Augustine's Catholic	PRIMARY	89,768	(12,322)		77,446	1,250,788	247	6.19%	314
06025	3352	St Bernard's Catholic	PRIMARY	106,717	7,619		114,335	1,127,893	215	10.14%	532
06026	3646	St Gregory's Catholic	PRIMARY	81,637	12,892		94,529	1,046,887	209	9.03%	452
06027	3647	St Ignatius Catholic	PRIMARY	97,671	14,569		112,239	987,175	171	11.37%	656
06028	3322	St Joseph's. Preston	PRIMARY	142,255	44,961		187,216	1,716,608	301	10.91%	622
06029	3645	St Maria Goretti	PRIMARY	110,247	4,169		114,416	1,111,368	184	10.30%	622
06030	3636	Preston St Matthews CE	PRIMARY	117,223	(43,856)		73,367	2,147,963	407	3.42%	180
06031	3009	St Stephens CE	PRIMARY	142,476	4,543		147,019	1,480,587	265	9.93%	555
06033	2198	Ashton Primary	PRIMARY	128,180	(23,853)		104,328	1,153,747	205	9.04%	509
06035	2704	Preston Fishwick Primary	PRIMARY	116,081	(35,521)		80,559	1,126,088	116	7.15%	694
06036	3954	St Teresa's. Preston	PRIMARY	78,034	(13,531)		64,503	1,087,711	165	5.93%	391
06037	2054	Lea Community Primary	PRIMARY	128,290	(60,398)		67,892	1,236,024	206	5.49%	330
06038	3582	Lea Neeld's Endowed CE	PRIMARY	29,666	27,998		57,664	761,059	140	7.58%	412
06039	3726	Lea St Mary's Catholic	PRIMARY	40,435	17,794		58,229	590,227	100	9.87%	582
06040	2062	Catforth Primary	PRIMARY	57,938	1,491		59,429	488,640	67	12.16%	887
06041	2818	Sherwood Primary	PRIMARY	142,201	34,660		176,861	1,917,665	423	9.22%	418
06042	2838	Cottam Primary	PRIMARY	22,593	7,496		30,089	1,012,675	210	2.97%	143
06043	3597	Woodplumpton St Annes CE	PRIMARY	32,386	(7,623)		24,764	602,753	104	4.11%	238

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06044	3578	Broughton CE Primary	PRIMARY	49,904	12,659		62,563	1,371,997	257	4.56%	243
06046	3577	Barton St Lawrence CE	PRIMARY	61,164	(79)		61,085	847,646	184	7.21%	332
06047	3339	St Marys & St Andrews	PRIMARY	51,306	28,515		79,821	700,737	119	11.39%	671
06048	3579	Oliverson's CE Primary	PRIMARY	59,017	(13,608)		45,409	805,095	173	5.64%	262
06049	3725	St Francis Catholic	PRIMARY	62,903	4,041		66,944	605,426	88	11.06%	761
06050	2053	Goosnargh Whitechapel	PRIMARY	60,619	(3,331)		57,288	520,005	80	11.02%	716
06051	3580	Grimsargh St Michael's	PRIMARY	98,782	(9,609)		89,173	1,059,651	210	8.42%	425
06052	3601	Our Lady & St Edward's	PRIMARY	89,710	10,605		100,316	996,003	211	10.07%	475
06053	3949	St Anthony's Catholic	PRIMARY	86,425	(5,915)		80,510	1,402,682	314	5.74%	256
06054	3611	St Clare's Catholic	PRIMARY	63,445	27,439		90,884	1,095,143	254	8.30%	358
06055	2052	Kennington Primary	PRIMARY	82,799	(43,701)		39,098	1,199,646	244	3.26%	160
06056	3301	Fulwood St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	100,108	(2,408)		97,701	1,113,419	217	8.77%	450
06057	2050	Fulwood & Cadley Primary	PRIMARY	53,084	49,492		102,576	1,457,058	313	7.04%	328
06058	2051	Harris Primary	PRIMARY	53,922	31,138		85,060	1,023,431	213	8.31%	399
06060	2509	Queen's Drive Primary	PRIMARY	202,820	(51,509)		151,311	1,928,673	445	7.85%	340
06062	2703	Pool House Community	PRIMARY	22,604	34,067		56,671	1,045,035	168	5.42%	337
06064	3129	Brabin's Endowed	PRIMARY	53,790	(3,481)		50,309	476,976	67	10.55%	751
06065	3743	St Mary's. Chipping	PRIMARY	55,163	5,213		60,376	331,173	35	18.23%	1,725
06066	3727	Alston Lane Catholic	PRIMARY	58,871	42,201		101,072	1,121,299	191	9.01%	529
06067	3583	Longridge CE Primary	PRIMARY	92,613	738		93,352	910,472	165	10.25%	566
06068	5203	Barnacre Rd Primary	PRIMARY	7,112	57		7,169	941,845	165	0.76%	43
06069	3728	St Wilfrid's. Longridge	PRIMARY	87,378	14,064		101,442	907,255	184	11.18%	551
06070	3589	Ribchester St Wilfrid's	PRIMARY	34,418	(14,283)		20,135	503,232	80	4.00%	252
06071	2833	Longsands Community	PRIMARY	78,294	57,982		136,276	1,019,995	207	13.36%	658
06604	2187	Deepdale Infants	PRIMARY	192,751	20,358		213,109	2,946,863	613	7.23%	348
07001	2842	Cuerden Church	PRIMARY	49,835	(4,007)		45,829	945,417	199	4.85%	230
07004	3736	Our Lady & St Gerards RC	PRIMARY	140,028	36,154		176,182	1,529,560	319	11.52%	552
07005	3127	Higher Walton CE Primary	PRIMARY	42,266	29,856		72,122	670,355	105	10.76%	687
07006	3738	St Patrick's RC Primary	PRIMARY	101,103	(46,464)		54,640	925,548	191	5.90%	286
07007	3085	St Aidan's CE Primary	PRIMARY	96,524	(43,719)		52,805	821,132	133	6.43%	397
07008	3596	St Leonard's CE Primary	PRIMARY	99,645	534		100,180	1,278,538	274	7.84%	366
07009	2060	Lostock Hall Community	PRIMARY	198,701	(4,533)		194,167	1,884,457	397	10.30%	489
07012	2437	Walton-Le-Dale Community	PRIMARY	76,600	86,123		162,723	2,029,331	419	8.02%	388
07013	2637	Coupe Green Primary	PRIMARY	67,298	4,076		71,373	735,380	134	9.71%	533
07014	3981	St Mary & Benedict's RC	PRIMARY	101,029	41,070		142,099	1,381,740	295	10.28%	482
07015	3025	St Andrew's CE Infant	PRIMARY	71,061	(35,040)		36,021	1,004,036	176	3.59%	205
07016	3141	Leyland Methodist Junior	PRIMARY	124,059	(11,244)		112,815	1,283,039	275	8.79%	410
07017	3411	Leyland St James CE	PRIMARY	94,797	18,514		113,311	1,265,130	232	8.96%	488
07018	3793	St Mary's RC. Leyland	PRIMARY	100,047	(39,949)		60,099	1,382,944	265	4.35%	227
07019	2150	Woodlea Junior	PRIMARY	78,416	10,570		88,986	1,161,509	236	7.66%	377
07020	2554	Lever House Primary	PRIMARY	98,199	37,292		135,491	1,330,799	300	10.18%	452
07021	3608	St Catherine's Catholic	PRIMARY	62,055	413		62,469	1,047,513	225	5.96%	278
07022	3600	St Anne's Catholic	PRIMARY	102,221	(39,127)		63,093	1,037,341	193	6.08%	327
07024	2837	Northbrook Primary	PRIMARY	56,283	14,890		71,173	1,106,057	192	6.43%	371
07025	2427	Seven Stars Primary	PRIMARY	49,773	11,383		61,156	1,438,047	209	4.25%	293
07026	2814	Moss Side Primary	PRIMARY	124,527	(283)		124,244	1,230,456	253	10.10%	491
07028	3666	Farington St Paul's CE	PRIMARY	68,060	3,046		71,106	937,644	196	7.58%	363
07029	2049	Farington Primary	PRIMARY	(37,159)	26,696		(10,463)	1,084,791	195	-0.96%	(54)
07030	2830	Longton Primary	PRIMARY	98,218	(19,762)		78,456	1,033,586	211	7.59%	372
07032	3729	St Oswald's. Longton	PRIMARY	102,800	(331)		102,469	1,089,950	244	9.40%	420
07033	3585	New Longton All Saints'	PRIMARY	77,296	(1,927)		75,369	999,754	211	7.54%	357
07036	3586	Hoole St Michael CE	PRIMARY	25,817	31,498		57,315	649,586	94	8.82%	610
07037	2055	Little Hoole Primary	PRIMARY	73,352	(34,236)		39,117	954,646	191	4.10%	205
07039	3018	Cop Lane CE Primary	PRIMARY	77,299	6,967		84,265	941,822	210	8.95%	401
07040	3089	Middleforth CE Primary	PRIMARY	109,734	(1,435)		108,299	1,149,852	207	9.42%	523
07041	3019	Howick CE Primary	PRIMARY	46,889	(3,927)		42,962	570,654	102	7.53%	421
07042	3730	St Mary Magdalen's	PRIMARY	60,707	22,051		82,759	1,053,806	207	7.85%	400
07043	2058	Penwortham Primary	PRIMARY	82,060	6,460		88,521	932,359	202	9.49%	438
07044	2514	Whitefield Primary	PRIMARY	127,687	(10,504)		117,182	1,827,357	394	6.41%	297

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07045	3953	St Teresa's. Penwortham	PRIMARY	119,962	(322)		119,640	1,183,544	278	10.11%	430
07046	2405	Kingsfold Primary	PRIMARY	118,708	(56,057)		62,651	738,702	119	8.48%	526
07047	2815	Penwortham Broad Oak	PRIMARY	93,327	19,026		112,354	1,076,904	189	10.43%	594
07051	3590	Samlesbury CE	PRIMARY	11,984	14,400		26,385	448,500	70	5.88%	377
07616	3143	Leyland Methodist Infant	PRIMARY	69,168	24,388		93,556	974,180	205	9.60%	456
08001	3078	Burs Bridge.St John's CE	PRIMARY	58,816	6,794		65,610	843,227	167	7.78%	393
08002	3146	Burs Bridge Methodist	PRIMARY	39,764	14,162		53,926	400,589	55	13.46%	980
08003	3800	St John's Burscough	PRIMARY	67,392	26,915		94,307	558,630	88	16.88%	1,072
08004	3029	Lathom Park CE Primary	PRIMARY	49,687	(19,239)		30,448	360,329	30	8.45%	1,015
08005	3426	Newburgh CE Primary	PRIMARY	65,166	(1,949)		63,216	692,192	108	9.13%	585
08006	3080	Lathom St James' CE	PRIMARY	30,360	29,576		59,937	585,025	86	10.25%	697
08007	3424	Lordsgate Township CE	PRIMARY	53,761	35,711		89,473	866,731	198	10.32%	452
08009	2597	Ormskirk Asmall Primary	PRIMARY	54,257	(3,286)		50,971	974,184	155	5.23%	329
08011	3031	Ormskirk CE Primary	PRIMARY	24,536	38,136		62,672	1,984,068	399	3.16%	157
08012	3801	Ormskirk St Anne's	PRIMARY	99,236	81,087		180,323	1,881,204	375	9.59%	481
08014	2415	Ormskirk West End	PRIMARY	15,219	6,899		22,118	573,765	92	3.85%	240
08016	2695	Burscough Village	PRIMARY	53,171	25,314		78,484	1,114,851	204	7.04%	385
08018	3087	Bickerstaffe CE	PRIMARY	25,060	36,671		61,731	556,921	84	11.08%	735
08019	2443	Aughton Town Green	PRIMARY	83,168	22,961		106,129	1,448,755	312	7.33%	340
08020	3026	Christ Church CE Primary	PRIMARY	55,848	15,628		71,476	950,569	209	7.52%	342
08021	3108	Aughton St Michael's CE	PRIMARY	32,853	25,041		57,894	948,384	193	6.10%	300
08022	5206	Rufford CE Primary	PRIMARY	56,690	7,970		64,660	716,734	127	9.02%	509
08023	3147	Holmeswood Methodist	PRIMARY	34,299	3,273		37,572	417,166	40	9.01%	939
08024	3185	Richard Durnings Endowed	PRIMARY	21,269	(11,785)		9,484	532,042	74	1.78%	128
08025	3419	Haskayne CE Primary	PRIMARY	27,000	(1,072)		25,929	365,183	27	7.10%	960
08026	3420	Halsall St Cuthbert's CE	PRIMARY	63,490	(22,619)		40,872	716,494	156	5.70%	262
08027	3191	Scarisbrick St Mark's CE	PRIMARY	50,280	6,374		56,654	449,263	58	12.61%	977
08028	3803	Scarisbrick St Mary's	PRIMARY	15,761	(4,309)		11,452	589,104	104	1.94%	110
08029	2156	Pinfold Primary	PRIMARY	23,829	39,416		63,245	536,409	39	11.79%	1,622
08031	3804	St Richards.Skelmersdale	PRIMARY	62,537	24,514		87,052	1,117,263	209	7.79%	417
08033	2656	Holland Moor Primary	PRIMARY	225,122	(29,448)		195,675	2,589,843	448	7.56%	437
08034	2696	Cobbs Brow	PRIMARY	164,777	43,527		208,304	1,652,937	282	12.60%	739
08036	3614	St James'. Skelmersdale	PRIMARY	85,949	(4,590)		81,359	809,259	131	10.05%	621
08038	3179	Skelmersdale Trinity	PRIMARY	90,556	(16,247)		74,309	1,108,207	193	6.71%	385
08040	2705	Crow Orchard Primary	PRIMARY	105,461	(6,338)		99,123	836,042	136	11.86%	729
08043	2525	Little Digmoor Primary	PRIMARY	6,861	(22,065)		(15,204)	702,953	97	-2.16%	(157)
08045	3677	Bishop Martin CE Primary	PRIMARY	135,622	(21,845)		113,777	1,337,047	199	8.51%	572
08046	2526	Hillside Community	PRIMARY	82,681	52,937		135,618	1,353,693	163	10.02%	832
08050	3618	St Edmunds.Skelmersdale	PRIMARY	27,082	(24,781)		2,301	842,718	94	0.27%	24
08051	3610	St John's. Skelmersdale	PRIMARY	164,431	(14,186)		150,245	1,252,757	191	11.99%	787
08054	2552	Delph Side Community	PRIMARY	99,327	(30,380)		68,946	1,203,176	175	5.73%	394
08060	3833	St Teresa's. Up Holland	PRIMARY	75,654	(5,198)		70,457	1,105,685	202	6.37%	349
08061	3459	Up Holland Roby Mill CE	PRIMARY	43,320	16,292		59,611	299,014	29	19.94%	2,056
08062	3457	St Thomas The Martyr CE	PRIMARY	72,109	34,540		106,649	1,098,212	192	9.71%	555
08063	2183	Crawford Village Primary	PRIMARY	44,982	(2,623)		42,359	496,449	63	8.53%	672
08064	2184	Wrightington Mossy Lea	PRIMARY	24,685	(30,479)		(5,793)	240,929	11	-2.40%	(527)
08066	3461	Appley Bridge All Saints	PRIMARY	52,471	7,329		59,801	831,083	166	7.20%	360
08067	3834	St Josephs. Wrightington	PRIMARY	19,708	16,206		35,914	757,731	121	4.74%	297
08069	3831	Our Lady & All Saints RC	PRIMARY	59,244	(2,525)		56,719	530,313	104	10.70%	545
08070	3448	Dalton St Michael's CE	PRIMARY	(27,004)	29,827		2,823	500,077	68	0.56%	42
08071	2059	Tarleton Community	PRIMARY	61,742	(19,042)		42,700	1,327,133	241	3.22%	177
08072	3592	Tarleton Mere Brow CE	PRIMARY	22,032	(11,886)		10,146	483,401	72	2.10%	141
08073	3591	Tarleton Holy Trinity CE	PRIMARY	10,921	31,625		42,546	855,154	192	4.98%	222
08074	3581	Hesketh With Bec'sall CE	PRIMARY	31,488	16,768		48,256	982,659	180	4.91%	268
08076	3169	Banks Methodist Primary	PRIMARY	49,538	(5,265)		44,273	479,843	52	9.23%	851
08077	3098	Banks St Stephen's CE	PRIMARY	93,121	(44,931)		48,191	884,905	147	5.45%	328
08078	3995	Brookfield Park	PRIMARY	45,773	38,718		84,491	1,023,408	165	8.26%	512
08079	3996	Woodland	PRIMARY	67,499	552		68,051	2,192,619	339	3.10%	201
08080	3998	St Francis Of Assisi	PRIMARY	72,775	(23,386)		49,389	1,383,817	185	3.57%	267

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09001	3389	Chorley All Saints' CE	PRIMARY	113,160	(50,520)		62,640	1,271,327	197	4.93%	318
09002	2835	Duke Street Primary	PRIMARY	124,416	11,523		135,938	1,607,232	332	8.46%	409
09003	2145	Highfield Primary	PRIMARY	60,959	(36,698)		24,261	1,416,519	244	1.71%	99
09005	3390	St Laurence CE Primary	PRIMARY	93,285	8,226		101,510	956,858	208	10.61%	488
09006	3783	Sacred Heart. Chorley	PRIMARY	120,596	(24,134)		96,462	1,073,892	192	8.98%	502
09007	3393	St George's CE Primary	PRIMARY	39,960	(231)		39,729	1,373,223	284	2.89%	140
09008	3397	Chorley St James' CE	PRIMARY	82,511	(5,082)		77,429	1,166,900	207	6.64%	374
09009	3785	St Josephs. Chorley	PRIMARY	48,185	(860)		47,325	1,051,460	198	4.50%	239
09010	2679	Gillibrand Primary	PRIMARY	117,939	(1,594)		116,345	1,034,375	210	11.25%	554
09011	3786	St Mary's. Chorley	PRIMARY	123,651	(44,242)		79,408	1,106,125	216	7.18%	368
09012	5201	Chorley St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	119,563	26,028		145,591	1,629,055	328	8.94%	444
09014	3789	St Gregory's. Chorley	PRIMARY	98,351	(1,892)		96,459	1,048,441	217	9.20%	445
09015	2146	Buckshaw Primary	PRIMARY	160,269	(33,418)		126,851	1,615,874	205	7.85%	619
09019	3481	Rivington Primary	PRIMARY	(11,288)	4,987		(6,301)	684,081	112	-0.92%	(56)
09022	2698	Adlington Primary	PRIMARY	14,156	19,948		34,104	709,912	135	4.80%	253
09023	3796	St Joseph's Withnell	PRIMARY	18,281	9,324		27,605	581,070	97	4.75%	285
09024	2684	Lancaster Lane Community	PRIMARY	74,275	25,256		99,531	1,112,872	209	8.94%	476
09025	2636	Manor Road Primary	PRIMARY	105,411	(5,864)		99,547	1,101,426	248	9.04%	401
09026	2817	Westwood Primary	PRIMARY	86,048	(14,782)		71,267	909,240	187	7.84%	381
09027	3781	Anderton St Joseph's	PRIMARY	53,456	(38,874)		14,582	899,168	201	1.62%	73
09028	2140	Anderton Primary	PRIMARY	51,779	(594)		51,185	1,023,075	187	5.00%	274
09029	3386	Bretherton Endowed CE	PRIMARY	32,285	11,447		43,732	627,179	105	6.97%	416
09030	3387	Brindle St James' CE	PRIMARY	25,935	26,538		52,472	492,668	66	10.65%	795
09031	2142	Gregson Lane Primary	PRIMARY	(2,321)	178		(2,144)	952,839	197	-0.22%	(11)
09032	3782	St Joseph's. Brindle	PRIMARY	46,622	21,968		68,590	573,086	101	11.97%	679
09033	3388	Charnock Richard CE	PRIMARY	79,536	17,222		96,758	876,282	194	11.04%	499
09034	3790	St Bede's. Clayton Green	PRIMARY	66,307	39,558		105,865	1,011,839	204	10.46%	519
09035	3401	Clayton-Le-Woods CE	PRIMARY	27,480	(35,952)		(8,473)	933,022	188	-0.91%	(45)
09036	3402	Coppull St John's CE	PRIMARY	78,238	3,680		81,918	680,736	115	12.03%	712
09037	3403	Coppull Parish CE	PRIMARY	71,759	(7,520)		64,239	932,547	211	6.89%	304
09038	3791	St Oswald's. Coppull	PRIMARY	79,726	(24,349)		55,378	630,373	115	8.78%	482
09039	2147	Coppull Primary	PRIMARY	86,308	28,480		114,788	1,711,351	263	6.71%	436
09040	3343	Croston CE/Methodist	PRIMARY	80,726	23,082		103,807	1,007,105	215	10.31%	483
09042	3406	Eccleston St Mary's CE	PRIMARY	58,808	(9,323)		49,485	963,349	200	5.14%	247
09043	3407	Euxton CE Primary	PRIMARY	32,840	36,705		69,545	1,069,387	209	6.50%	333
09044	3792	Euxton St Marys Catholic	PRIMARY	25,281	20,849		46,130	922,125	210	5.00%	220
09045	2572	Euxton Primrose Hill	PRIMARY	104,931	70,905		175,836	1,721,170	362	10.22%	486
09046	3409	Heskin Pemberton's CE	PRIMARY	22,187	24,263		46,451	592,606	107	7.84%	434
09048	3412	Mawdesley St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	43,111	(22,983)		20,128	574,685	90	3.50%	224
09049	3794	Ss Peter And Paul	PRIMARY	13,519	(16,701)		(3,182)	371,420	48	-0.86%	(66)
09050	2577	Balshaw Lane Community	PRIMARY	28,418	(39,109)		(10,691)	1,318,207	321	-0.81%	(33)
09052	2574	Eccleston Primary	PRIMARY	89,514	(4,163)		85,352	1,073,100	206	7.95%	414
09053	2702	Clayton Brook Primary	PRIMARY	51,642	18,402		70,043	1,120,151	163	6.25%	430
09054	3795	St Chad's Catholic	PRIMARY	21,936	3,394		25,329	694,566	140	3.65%	181
09055	3414	Whittle-Le-Woods CE	PRIMARY	80,306	17,515		97,821	1,162,400	242	8.42%	404
09060	3997	St John's CE/Methodist	PRIMARY	81,829	11,856		93,686	1,012,948	216	9.25%	434
09062	2565	Abbey Village Primary	PRIMARY	25,575	(1,265)		24,310	515,707	66	4.71%	368
09063	2564	Withnell Fold Primary	PRIMARY	53,146	507		53,653	477,656	76	11.23%	706
09064	5207	Trinity C Of E	PRIMARY	229,519	29,281		258,800	2,515,883	577	10.29%	449
11001	3334	Baxenden St John's CE	PRIMARY	91,695	(18,778)		72,917	913,387	204	7.98%	357
11002	3336	Benjamin Hargreaves CE	PRIMARY	63,332	(2,022)		61,309	849,593	164	7.22%	374
11003	3337	Green Haworth CE Primary	PRIMARY	50,114	4,821		54,935	566,308	78	9.70%	704
11004	2096	Accr'Ton Huncoat Primary	PRIMARY	114,263	16,073		130,336	1,185,038	200	11.00%	652
11005	2097	Hyndburn Park Primary	PRIMARY	255,963	6,858		262,821	2,383,787	433	11.03%	607
11006	2099	Peel Park Primary	PRIMARY	188,509	(22,416)		166,093	2,868,000	622	5.79%	267
11008	3762	St Anne & St Joseph's RC	PRIMARY	82,455	(18,246)		64,209	1,282,882	248	5.01%	259
11010	3340	St John/St Augustine CE	PRIMARY	84,631	2,271		86,902	1,072,791	205	8.10%	424
11011	3342	St Mary Magdalen's CE	PRIMARY	48,617	20,355		68,972	1,136,604	200	6.07%	345
11012	3763	St Oswald's. Accrington	PRIMARY	66,756	(710)		66,045	939,087	140	7.03%	472

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11013	3105	St Peters CE	PRIMARY	55,651	(18,014)		37,637	1,016,098	161	3.70%	234
11014	2101	Spring Hill Primary	PRIMARY	105,523	(65,514)		40,009	2,131,928	403	1.88%	99
11015	2820	Woodnook Primary	PRIMARY	79,295	44,445		123,740	1,184,495	217	10.45%	570
11018	3134	Hippings Methodist	PRIMARY	110,080	(35,568)		74,512	1,038,768	208	7.17%	358
11020	3195	St Andrew's CE Primary	PRIMARY	12,657	(14,192)		(1,535)	1,645,759	315	-0.09%	(5)
11021	3353	Knuzden St Oswald's CE	PRIMARY	33,256	(40,523)		(7,267)	944,697	186	-0.77%	(39)
11023	3766	St Mary's. Oswaldtwistle	PRIMARY	107,335	23,507		130,842	1,202,483	264	10.88%	496
11024	2108	Oswaldtwistle West End	PRIMARY	20,194	(3,174)		17,020	951,365	204	1.79%	83
11025	2107	Oswaldtwistle Moor End	PRIMARY	113,689	(11,037)		102,652	1,083,200	182	9.48%	564
11026	3355	Oswaldtwistle St Paul's	PRIMARY	65,176	41,316		106,492	957,201	155	11.13%	687
11029	2105	Mount Pleasant Primary	PRIMARY	148,097	48,348		196,445	1,982,438	390	9.91%	504
11030	3765	St Mary's RC	PRIMARY	11,737	11,210		22,947	758,898	129	3.02%	178
11031	3347	Church. St Nicholas CE	PRIMARY	39,864	28,742		68,607	1,062,862	200	6.45%	343
11033	3764	Sacred Heart RC. Church	PRIMARY	92,323	(13,539)		78,783	1,217,623	189	6.47%	417
11036	3599	Altham St James CE	PRIMARY	25,062	(763)		24,298	417,136	63	5.83%	386
11038	3307	St Bartholomew's CE Great Harwood	PRIMARY	86,371	(1,080)		85,291	1,076,871	197	7.92%	433
11039	3308	Gt Harwood St John's CE	PRIMARY	90,474	5,602		96,076	866,696	142	11.09%	677
11040	3746	Our Lady & St Hubert RC	PRIMARY	12,990	10,097		23,087	826,713	165	2.79%	140
11041	3747	St Wulstan's RC	PRIMARY	29,248	(3,730)		25,518	867,215	168	2.94%	152
11042	2067	Great Harwood Primary	PRIMARY	(35,775)	(10,127)		(45,903)	974,824	176	-4.71%	(261)
11045	3130	Rishton Methodist	PRIMARY	113,552	(37,637)		75,915	906,864	165	8.37%	460
11046	3316	St Peter's & St Pauls CE	PRIMARY	86,327	39,366		125,693	892,227	170	14.09%	739
11047	3752	St Charles' RC. Rishton	PRIMARY	70,326	(29,367)		40,959	995,074	165	4.12%	248
11048	3741	St Joseph's. Hurst Green	PRIMARY	43,181	2,013		45,194	523,970	90	8.63%	502
11050	3302	Langho St Leonard's CE	PRIMARY	58,350	2,345		60,695	1,206,940	292	5.03%	208
11051	3742	Langho St Mary's RC	PRIMARY	56,039	(23)		56,016	1,144,646	264	4.89%	212
11052	3809	Bolton By Bowland CE	PRIMARY	53,772	6,926		60,699	365,499	33	16.61%	1,839
11053	3810	Thornleyholme RC Primary	PRIMARY	29,872	2,830		32,702	306,884	20	10.66%	1,635
11054	3303	Chatburn CE Primary	PRIMARY	17,422	7,750		25,172	593,996	110	4.24%	229
11055	2651	Brookside Primary	PRIMARY	(9,512)	66,275		56,763	996,697	175	5.70%	324
11056	2391	Edisford Primary	PRIMARY	25,824	(132,789)		(106,965)	1,068,954	223	-10.01%	(480)
11057	2064	Clitheroe Pendle Primary	PRIMARY	115,353	15,178		130,531	1,493,081	350	8.74%	373
11058	3304	St James' CE. Clitheroe	PRIMARY	151,389	41,829		193,218	1,508,157	309	12.81%	625
11059	3744	St Michael & John's RC	PRIMARY	(11,010)	(7,912)		(18,921)	843,063	181	-2.24%	(105)
11060	3319	Simonstone St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	42,031	(3,562)		38,470	628,451	123	6.12%	313
11061	2266	Gisburn Primary	PRIMARY	33,042	26,058		59,100	690,494	138	8.56%	428
11063	3807	Grindleton CE Primary	PRIMARY	45,003	21,977		66,980	438,954	39	15.26%	1,717
11064	3111	Read St John's CE	PRIMARY	95,068	5,620		100,688	873,548	180	11.53%	559
11065	2073	Sabden Primary	PRIMARY	57,311	10,591		67,903	577,993	80	11.75%	849
11066	3753	St Mary's RC. Sabden	PRIMARY	18,022	14,694		32,716	488,164	86	6.70%	380
11067	3408	Brennands Endowed	PRIMARY	38,746	(17,967)		20,779	365,936	37	5.68%	562
11068	3808	West Bradford CE Primary	PRIMARY	19,617	6,152		25,769	867,511	166	2.97%	155
11069	3321	Whalley CE Primary	PRIMARY	33,564	21,213		54,777	1,226,210	270	4.47%	203
11070	3131	Barrow	PRIMARY	38,333	(82,171)		(43,838)	820,802	157	-5.34%	(279)
11071	3300	Balderstone St Leonard's	PRIMARY	40,682	9,621		50,304	646,718	104	7.78%	484
11072	3312	Mellor St Mary CE	PRIMARY	40,799	20,705		61,504	690,467	140	8.91%	439
11073	3748	Osbaldeston St Mary's RC	PRIMARY	44,317	(15,158)		29,158	548,236	70	5.32%	417
11074	5202	Salesbury CE Primary	PRIMARY	83,972	(33,996)		49,976	1,388,597	266	3.60%	188
12001	2076	Briercliffe Primary	PRIMARY	82,086	(62,630)		19,456	1,511,562	317	1.29%	61
12002	2095	Worsthorne Primary	PRIMARY	66,913	(40,624)		26,289	989,926	214	2.66%	123
12003	3324	St John's Cofe Cliviger	PRIMARY	76,751	(24,442)		52,308	950,220	197	5.50%	266
12005	3021	Padiham Green CE Primary	PRIMARY	131,577	(157)		131,420	1,145,014	202	11.48%	651
12006	2071	Padiham Primary	PRIMARY	153,694	789		154,483	1,584,016	291	9.75%	531
12007	3749	St John The Baptist RC	PRIMARY	83,164	(38,350)		44,814	1,166,222	211	3.84%	212
12008	3313	Padiham St Leonard's CE	PRIMARY	135,240	21,877		157,117	1,652,938	302	9.51%	520
12011	3181	Hapton CE/Methodist	PRIMARY	65,352	5,834		71,186	747,469	124	9.52%	574
12012	2228	Barden Primary School	PRIMARY	271,645	8,153		279,799	2,419,511	413	11.56%	677
12013	2164	Burnley Brunshaw Primary	PRIMARY	33,734	2,336		36,069	2,192,913	422	1.64%	85
12015	3434	Christ The King RC	PRIMARY	19,336	41,467		60,802	1,082,637	211	5.62%	288

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12020	2230	Heasandford Primary	PRIMARY	349,280	7,764		357,045	3,021,578	610	11.82%	585
12021	3431	Holy Trinity CE Primary	PRIMARY	126,774	(3,591)		123,184	1,175,343	208	10.48%	592
12022	2237	Ightenhill Primary	PRIMARY	152,339	30,621		182,960	1,883,782	345	9.71%	530
12023	2162	Lowerhouse Junior	PRIMARY	71,518	(70,925)		593	1,097,514	209	0.05%	3
12025	2226	Rosegrove Infant	PRIMARY	75,201	(6,162)		69,039	932,885	165	7.40%	418
12028	3438	St Augustine RC Primary	PRIMARY	123,475		(53,263)	70,213	942,901	210	7.45%	334
12029	3433	St James' Lanehead CE	PRIMARY	119,855	(39,100)		80,755	1,346,127	275	6.00%	294
12031	3980	St Mary's RC. Burnley	PRIMARY	24,696	(236)		24,460	1,162,446	207	2.10%	118
12032	3435	St Mary Magdalene's RC	PRIMARY	(71,226)	(36,619)		(107,845)	1,075,185	205	-10.03%	(526)
12033	3430	Burnley St Peter's CE	PRIMARY	7,948	(10,664)		(2,716)	1,238,089	210	-0.22%	(13)
12034	3432	Burnley St Stephen's CE	PRIMARY	127,232	4,742		131,974	1,112,220	211	11.87%	625
12035	2224	Stoneyholme Community	PRIMARY	234,840	58,644		293,484	2,483,482	419	11.82%	700
12037	2235	Whittlefield Primary	PRIMARY	44,764	33,458		78,222	1,370,921	210	5.71%	372
12040	3440	Wellfield Church	PRIMARY	96,187	17,860		114,047	959,014	198	11.89%	576
12041	2839	Rosewood Primary	PRIMARY	189,635	2,297		191,932	2,053,530	418	9.35%	459
12042	2840	Cherry Fold Community	PRIMARY	224,503	25,111		249,614	2,413,914	365	10.34%	684
12043	2841	Burnley Springfield	PRIMARY	121,570	25,884		147,454	1,239,444	208	11.90%	709
12044	2015	St John The Baptist	PRIMARY	121,300		7,464	128,764	934,721	256	13.78%	503
13001	2087	Nelson Bradley Primary	PRIMARY	131,311	8,428		139,738	2,048,099	415	6.82%	337
13004	3757	Holy Saviour RC Primary	PRIMARY	101,411	15,128		116,539	1,110,947	209	10.49%	558
13005	3330	Nelson St Philip's CE	PRIMARY	67,085	(35,486)		31,599	771,355	140	4.10%	226
13006	3331	Nelson St Paul's CE	PRIMARY	185,850	11,918		197,768	2,014,405	413	9.82%	479
13007	2090	Lomeshaye Junior	PRIMARY	210,759	7,948		218,707	1,861,211	362	11.75%	604
13009	3759	St John Southworth RC	PRIMARY	107,867	(31,278)		76,589	1,164,898	214	6.57%	358
13010	2092	Nelson Walverden Primary	PRIMARY	207,232	54,970		262,202	2,095,785	424	12.51%	618
13011	2093	Nelson Whitefield Infant	PRIMARY	173,310	(15,281)		158,029	1,887,300	270	8.37%	585
13012	2089	Marsden Community	PRIMARY	228,863	(183)		228,680	2,175,216	422	10.51%	542
13014	3323	Barrowford St Thomas CE	PRIMARY	70,390	(621)		69,769	637,843	122	10.94%	572
13016	2074	Barrowford	PRIMARY	(30,307)	74,845		44,537	1,829,784	349	2.43%	128
13017	3754	Holy Trinity RC Primary	PRIMARY	63,550	2,072		65,622	561,546	104	11.69%	631
13022	3979	Wheatley Lane Methodist	PRIMARY	103,784	4,191		107,975	976,898	207	11.05%	522
13023	3094	Roughlee CE Primary	PRIMARY	53,790	585		54,374	358,071	41	15.19%	1,326
13024	3107	Higham St John's CE	PRIMARY	67,926	(8,384)		59,542	783,197	139	7.60%	428
13027	3325	Colne Christ Church CE	PRIMARY	113,252	(25,219)		88,033	930,984	191	9.46%	461
13030	2082	Colne Park Primary	PRIMARY	217,424	(7,434)		209,989	1,914,818	382	10.97%	550
13031	2083	Colne Primet Primary	PRIMARY	79,690	7,821		87,511	1,021,947	174	8.56%	503
13032	3755	Sacred Heart RC. Colne	PRIMARY	89,331	(57,249)		32,082	1,094,911	211	2.93%	152
13033	2085	West Street Primary	PRIMARY	128,073	7,498		135,571	1,218,121	197	11.13%	688
13034	2094	Trawden Forest Primary	PRIMARY	42,549	20,525		63,074	991,776	197	6.36%	320
13035	3326	St Michael & All Angels	PRIMARY	30,896	20,934		51,830	1,019,683	207	5.08%	250
13036	2646	Brierfield Reedley	PRIMARY	145,904	33,377		179,280	1,966,506	407	9.12%	440
13040	3011	Barnoldswick CE Primary	PRIMARY	161,928	35,142		197,069	1,807,878	389	10.90%	507
13041	2812	Coates Lane Primary	PRIMARY	(7,307)	(22,313)		(29,620)	1,003,266	209	-2.95%	(142)
13042	2238	Gisburn Road Community	PRIMARY	(76,113)	(59,372)		(135,485)	1,112,746	202	-12.18%	(671)
13044	3805	St Joseph's Barnoldswick	PRIMARY	53,290	(108)		53,182	682,939	133	7.79%	400
13046	2214	Kelbrook Primary	PRIMARY	46,406	(21,336)		25,070	615,480	104	4.07%	241
13048	2240	Salterforth Primary	PRIMARY	8,279	(8,898)		(620)	600,467	104	-0.10%	(6)
13049	2215	Earby Springfield	PRIMARY	92,043	(21,140)		70,904	879,155	153	8.06%	463
14001	2109	Britannia Community	PRIMARY	74,034	(26,177)		47,857	1,029,100	225	4.65%	213
14002	2114	Bacup Thorn Primary	PRIMARY	154,961	865		155,826	1,468,595	277	10.61%	563
14003	2111	Northern Primary	PRIMARY	86,146	2,489		88,635	949,465	193	9.34%	459
14005	2113	Sharneyford Primary	PRIMARY	56,202	2,973		59,175	466,926	66	12.67%	897
14006	3768	St Joseph's. Stacksteads	PRIMARY	32,179	(10,783)		21,395	874,697	126	2.45%	170
14007	3769	Bacup St Mary's RC	PRIMARY	72,685		(66,155)	6,530	624,770	155	1.05%	42
14008	2112	Bacup St Saviour's	PRIMARY	67,902	324		68,227	652,151	97	10.46%	703
14011	3196	Holy Trinity Stacksteads	PRIMARY	129,072	27,368		156,440	1,370,836	242	11.41%	646
14015	3022	Constable Lee CE Primary	PRIMARY	132,313	(40,695)		91,618	1,374,149	273	6.67%	336
14016	3776	St James-The-Less RC	PRIMARY	84,609	7,311		91,920	957,658	206	9.60%	446
14018	3023	St Mary's Rawtenstall CE	PRIMARY	57,320	20,008		77,328	1,101,522	207	7.02%	374

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14019	2595	Crawshawbooth Primary	PRIMARY	137,224	(12,568)		124,656	1,371,176	313	9.09%	398
14022	2129	Waterfoot Primary	PRIMARY	78,781	57,486		136,267	1,598,715	312	8.52%	437
14023	3775	St Peter's RC. Newchurch	PRIMARY	78,981	(6,273)		72,708	769,637	152	9.45%	478
14024	3113	St Nicholas CE Primary	PRIMARY	71,030	6,510		77,540	871,319	133	8.90%	583
14025	3366	St Anne's Edgeside CE	PRIMARY	73,354	(23,717)		49,637	822,478	150	6.04%	331
14026	2409	Balladen Community	PRIMARY	96,459	3,850		100,310	1,150,578	210	8.72%	478
14027	2128	Water Primary	PRIMARY	20,897	(10,102)		10,795	747,710	127	1.44%	85
14028	3357	Haslingden St James CE	PRIMARY	58,038	17,519		75,557	959,505	169	7.87%	447
14029	2117	Haslingden Primary	PRIMARY	117,433	(23,291)		94,142	2,057,233	406	4.58%	232
14030	2687	Broadway Primary	PRIMARY	73,027	(12,433)		60,594	1,013,789	208	5.98%	291
14031	2118	Helmshore Primary	PRIMARY	120,974	44,576		165,550	1,935,090	412	8.56%	402
14032	3771	St Mary's RC. Haslingden	PRIMARY	77,070	(35,100)		41,970	756,998	139	5.54%	302
14033	3359	Stonefold St John's CE	PRIMARY	22,082	(53,526)		(31,444)	760,923	133	-4.13%	(236)
14034	3615	St Veronica's RC Primary	PRIMARY	46,378	15,811		62,189	873,912	172	7.12%	362
14038	3099	Edenfield CE Primary	PRIMARY	76,552	(30,463)		46,088	869,089	193	5.30%	239
14039	2121	Stubbins Primary	PRIMARY	41,584	(3,733)		37,851	919,272	210	4.12%	180
14040	3058	St Bartholomew's CE Whitworth	PRIMARY	99,871	(53,385)		46,486	860,922	162	5.40%	287
14042	2272	Tonacliffe Primary	PRIMARY	130,705	(41,451)		89,255	1,439,558	306	6.20%	292
14044	3889	Our Lady & St Anselms RC	PRIMARY	78,135	(5,815)		72,320	934,618	183	7.74%	395
14045	3811	St John With St Michael	PRIMARY	9,800	(21,885)		(12,085)	704,765	103	-1.71%	(117)
01109	4302	Morecambe High	SECONDARY	(12,080)		(81,954)	(94,033)	702,825	1,057	-13.38%	(89)
01112	4717	Our Lady's Catholic High Lancaster	SECONDARY	215,955	223,447		439,401	5,320,193	781	8.26%	563
01113	4405	Central Lancaster High	SECONDARY	31,382		(98,371)	(66,989)	1,809,290	563	-3.70%	(119)
02101	4011	Millfield High	SECONDARY	126,654	49,919		176,574	5,035,069	855	3.51%	207
02103	5404	Baines School	SECONDARY	322,480	108,768		431,248	4,755,032	847	9.07%	509
02104	4628	Saint Aidan's CE	SECONDARY	419,791	93,608		513,399	4,790,963	848	10.72%	605
02105	4408	Fleetwood High	SECONDARY	83,211	106,609		189,819	6,143,464	940	3.09%	202
02106	4718	Cardinal Allen Catholic	SECONDARY	565,479	27,648		593,127	4,950,418	804	11.98%	738
04114	4137	Lytham St Annes High	SECONDARY	(132,887)	403,065		270,178	8,130,090	1,487	3.32%	182
04115	4155	Kirkham Carr Hill High	SECONDARY	116,222	17,682		133,904	6,119,501	1,022	2.19%	131
04116	4627	St Bede's Catholic High Lytham	SECONDARY	(2,962)	43,740		40,778	4,388,856	819	0.93%	50
06103	4232	Broughton High	SECONDARY	631,017	59,122		690,139	5,571,583	914	12.39%	755
06104	4000	Ashton Science College	SECONDARY	259,797	64,585		324,381	4,955,588	755	6.55%	430
06105	4410	Moor Park High	SECONDARY	423,874	61,111		484,985	4,238,862	560	11.44%	866
06112	5405	Archbishop Temple CE	SECONDARY	283,312	(51,187)		232,125	4,408,730	772	5.27%	301
06115	4168	Longridge High	SECONDARY	304,819	62,419		367,238	4,362,112	771	8.42%	476
06116	4721	St Cecilia's RC High	SECONDARY	(710,135)	19,721		(690,414)	2,315,934	415	-29.81%	(1,664)
06117	4610	Christ The King Catholic	SECONDARY	230,805	54,174		284,978	2,498,952	337	11.40%	846
06118	4606	Our Lady's Catholic High Preston	SECONDARY	488,726	(106,628)		382,098	5,066,859	903	7.54%	423
06121	4609	Corpus Christi College	SECONDARY	118,928	(90,729)		28,200	4,367,818	627	0.65%	45
06122	4001	Preston Muslim Girls'	SECONDARY	626,277	124,361		750,639	3,211,766	516	23.37%	1,455
07101	4500	Balshaws CE High	SECONDARY	521,061	22,760		543,820	4,973,099	914	10.94%	595
07102	5407	St Marys RC Tech College	SECONDARY	(52,982)	125,362		72,380	3,811,646	688	1.90%	105
07104	4036	Wellfield B&E College	SECONDARY	(773,636)	34,610		(739,026)	2,087,677	326	-35.40%	(2,267)
07105	4623	Brownedge St Mary's High	SECONDARY	282,471	105,821		388,292	4,174,649	729	9.30%	533
07106	4741	All Hallows High	SECONDARY	150,358	103,493		253,852	5,016,902	905	5.06%	280
07107	4150	Walton-Le-Dale High	SECONDARY	438,029	30,216		468,245	4,687,167	769	9.99%	609
07109	4685	Hutton CE Grammar	SECONDARY	243,502	(51,590)		191,912	4,819,731	740	3.98%	259
07111	4332	Penwortham Girls' High	SECONDARY	323,827	(69,941)		253,886	4,414,549	772	5.75%	329
08103	4631	St Bede's Catholic High Ormskirk	SECONDARY	195,812	103,892		299,704	4,027,587	714	7.44%	420
08105	4173	Up Holland High	SECONDARY	117,122	122,793		239,916	4,519,183	785	5.31%	306
08113	4411	Lathom High	SECONDARY	174,005	103,408		277,413	3,894,094	541	7.12%	513
08114	4621	Our Lady Queen Of Peace	SECONDARY	194,664	118,339		313,003	5,739,317	900	5.45%	348
08115	4412	Ormskirk School	SECONDARY	66,470	171,036		237,505	8,195,691	1,215	2.90%	195
09103	4742	Holy Cross Catholic High	SECONDARY	208,569	160,270		368,839	4,765,626	919	7.74%	401
11102	4195	The Hollins High	SECONDARY	292,883	86,065		378,949	5,218,101	806	7.26%	470
11103	4797	Mount Carmel RC High	SECONDARY	210,555	41,335		251,890	4,961,512	794	5.08%	317
11105	4026	Rhyddings High	SECONDARY	67,538	144,431		211,969	3,901,381	549	5.43%	386
11109	4725	St Augustine's RC High	SECONDARY	275,932	(208,116)		67,816	5,943,056	1,070	1.14%	63

Sch No	DfE No	School Name	Phase	Balance Brought Forward as at 1 April 2019	In year Surplus/ (Deficit)	Closed schools or academy conversions	Balance Carried Forward as at 31 March	CFR income	NOR	Balance as % of CFR Income	Balance per pupil
				£	£	£	£			%	£
11113	4013	Ribblesdale High	SECONDARY	161,842	250,980		412,822	6,952,919	1,293	5.94%	319
12110	4801	Shuttleworth College	SECONDARY	(503,567)	(278,011)		(781,578)	6,458,979	988	-12.10%	(791)
12111	4802	Hameldon College	SECONDARY	(2,696,414)		(1,479,497)	(4,175,910)	913,600	#N/A	-457.08%	#N/A
12112	4806	Unity College	SECONDARY	410,324	148,102		558,426	8,039,863	1,208	6.95%	462
12113	4803	Sir John Thursby College	SECONDARY	810,917	(150,305)		660,611	8,459,624	1,110	7.81%	595
12114	4804	Blessed Trinity RC	SECONDARY	398,612		127,665	526,277	7,348,373	1,267	7.16%	415
12115	4805	Thomas Whitham 6th Form	SECONDARY	(3,294,717)	(996,875)		(4,291,591)	1,193,118	100	-359.70%	(42,916)
13108	4624	SS J Fisher/T More RC	SECONDARY	69,480	93,167		162,646	4,487,333	756	3.62%	215
13110	4800	Marsden Heights	SECONDARY	(315,167)	(34,522)		(349,689)	7,084,316	1,038	-4.94%	(337)
13111	4799	Pendle Vale	SECONDARY	755,382	2,051		757,433	7,496,694	1,070	10.10%	708
14101	4030	Alder Grange Tech School	SECONDARY	304,810	(20,155)		284,655	5,156,374	699	5.52%	407
14105	4709	All Saints RC High	SECONDARY	69,742		(62,954)	6,788	2,666,987	481	0.25%	14
14107	4184	Whitworth Community High	SECONDARY	301,662	34,944		336,606	4,025,288	641	8.36%	525
14108	4158	Fearn Community College	SECONDARY	(988,430)		(233,150)	(1,221,580)	600,547	356	-203.41%	(3,431)
14109	4402	Haslingden High	SECONDARY	274,452	(89,052)		185,400	9,051,813	1,345	2.05%	138
01141	1100	Stepping Stones	SHORT STAY	66,082	(37,044)		29,038	804,645	29	3.61%	1,001
01149	1121	Chadwick Centre	SHORT STAY	79,230	(11,193)		68,037	1,398,029	47	4.87%	1,448
02143	1117	McKee Centre	SHORT STAY	219,107	(134,507)		84,600	2,172,656	112	3.89%	755
06141	1109	Larches House	SHORT STAY	196,341	30,509		226,850	2,268,087	82	10.00%	2,764
07141	1103	Golden Hill	SHORT STAY	75,312	(71,209)		4,103	1,022,143	43	0.40%	95
08147	1118	The Acorns	SHORT STAY	168,593	(43,331)		125,262	1,359,655	48	9.21%	2,610
09145	1116	Shaftesbury House	SHORT STAY	215,145	(123,837)		91,307	2,167,322	116	4.21%	790
11142	1113	Oswaldtwistle School	SHORT STAY	167,627	35,856		203,483	1,696,667	83	11.99%	2,452
13143	1107	Hendon Brook	SHORT STAY	(68,650)	(15,983)		(84,633)	563,108	16	-15.03%	(5,290)
00131	7028	Wennington Hall	SPECIAL	(1,450,888)	115,257		(1,335,631)	3,262,509	54	-40.94%	(24,734)
00133	7007	Bleasdale House	SPECIAL	214,893	(3,587)		211,306	2,088,567	36	10.12%	5,870
00134	7110	Royal Cross Primary	SPECIAL	68,905	(16,687)		52,218	673,985	20	7.75%	2,611
00139	7109	Longridge Hillside	SPECIAL	(41,208)	11,777		(29,431)	2,385,572	97	-1.23%	(303)
01130	7034	Morecambe Road	SPECIAL	305,880	(31,053)		274,827	3,023,747	158	9.09%	1,739
01131	7097	The Loyne School	SPECIAL	319,091	(25,389)		293,702	2,812,364	117	10.44%	2,510
02130	7040	Great Arley	SPECIAL	199,060	(30,721)		168,339	1,793,153	98	9.39%	1,718
02131	7100	Brookfield	SPECIAL	(518,231)	(305,456)		(823,687)	2,111,818	67	-39.00%	(12,294)
02132	7102	Red Marsh	SPECIAL	212,868	(14,689)		198,179	2,082,411	93	9.52%	2,131
04133	7076	Kirkham Pear Tree	SPECIAL	268,799	(38,801)		229,998	2,895,154	99	7.94%	2,323
06131	7014	Moorbrook	SPECIAL	(124,444)	43,324		(81,120)	1,280,564	47	-6.33%	(1,726)
06134	7119	Acorns	SPECIAL	171,808	(26,519)		145,289	1,626,572	73	8.93%	1,990
06135	7118	Sir Tom Finney	SPECIAL	321,950	15,978		337,928	3,389,993	173	9.97%	1,953
07130	7049	Lostock Hall Moor Hey	SPECIAL	249,808	143,764		393,572	2,082,541	108	18.90%	3,644
07131	7098	The Coppice School	SPECIAL	66,800	61,795		128,595	1,691,717	65	7.60%	1,978
08135	7104	Hope High School	SPECIAL	136,556	21,010		157,566	1,772,130	68	8.89%	2,317
08136	7117	Kingsbury Primary	SPECIAL	201,327	(11,623)		189,705	1,811,159	74	10.47%	2,564
08137	7116	West Lancs Comm High	SPECIAL	189,132	33,811		222,944	2,100,118	104	10.62%	2,144
08138	7120	Elm Tree	SPECIAL	253,937	(140,623)		113,314	3,140,967	102	3.61%	1,111
09130	7037	Chorley Astley Park	SPECIAL	222,603	83,879		306,482	2,978,087	173	10.29%	1,772
09131	7089	Mayfield School	SPECIAL	266,009	(23,404)		242,605	2,558,595	121	9.48%	2,005
11130	7099	Oswaldtwistle White Ash	SPECIAL	212,609	31,590		244,199	2,240,869	109	10.90%	2,240
11131	7060	Broadfield Special Sen	SPECIAL	14,832	(125,885)		(111,053)	2,708,245	145	-4.10%	(766)
12134	7111	The Rose School	SPECIAL	(270,937)	(129,062)		(399,998)	2,199,662	66	-18.18%	(6,061)
12135	7114	Holly Grove	SPECIAL	300,374	(17,642)		282,731	2,537,686	113	11.14%	2,502
12136	7113	Ridgewood	SPECIAL	284,331	85,351		369,682	3,291,121	151	11.23%	2,448
13133	7112	Pendle View	SPECIAL	293,214	(93,776)		199,438	2,897,532	128	6.88%	1,558
13134	7115	Pendle Community High	SPECIAL	332,358	19,929		352,286	3,008,719	135	11.71%	2,610
14132	7044	Cribden House Community	SPECIAL	111,601	130,640		242,241	1,898,217	80	12.76%	3,028

LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

2 July 2020

Item No: 7

Title of Item: Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20

Appendix A refers

Executive Summary

This report provides information on the 2019/20 2019/20 Schools Forum Annual Report, including views expressed at June working group meetings conducted using the Urgent Business Procedure.

Recommendations

The Forum is asked to:

- a) Note the report;**
- b) Approve the 2019/20 Schools Forum Annual Report for publication.**

Background

Each year the Schools Forum publishes an annual report setting out items of business in which the Forum has been involved. During the June 2020 cycle of meetings a draft 2019/20 Schools Forum Annual Report was provided for each of the three Forum working groups.

All three working groups supported the publication of the 2019/20 Annual Report and one member identified a typographical error, which has now been corrected

A copy of the updated annual report for 2019/20 is provided at Appendix.



Lancashire Schools Forum

Annual Report 2019/20 April 2019 - March 2020

Introduction

The end of the 2019/20 financial year saw unparalleled circumstances for schools brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. This situation introduced new demands and restrictions for many schools, and created short term changes in all our priorities. For the Schools Forum, this meant that the 4th meeting of the year had to be cancelled and the business undertaken using the Forum's electronic urgent business procedure.

This annual report sets out some of the significant issues dealt with by the Forum in FY 2019/20, including consideration of some initial issues arising from the COVID-19 situation.

The Schools Forum hopes that all colleagues and children are all keeping safe and well in these unprecedented times.

Chair of the Forum

Shaun Jukes, Headteacher at Sir Tom Finney High School, has been elected as the Forum Chair for the 2019/20 and 2020/21 academic years.

School Budgets 2020/21

Advising on the Schools Budget is a crucial responsibility of the Forum. The key headlines from the 2020/21 budget setting process included:

The Lancashire Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) allocation for 2020/21 was some £55m higher than the previous year, due to increased funding from the Government and an overall increase in the Lancashire pupil population.

Schools Block

Lancashire continues to use the National Funding Formula (NFF) methodology as the local Lancashire funding model in 2020/21;

For 2020/21, the NFF provides an uplift of 4% on most formula factors and the updated Minimum Pupil Funding (MPF) rates announced by the Government:

- Primary £3,750 per pupil
- Secondary £5,000 per pupil

Following a consultation with schools and academies in Lancashire, areas where local discretion is available in 2020/21 were agreed by the Schools Forum and the LCC Cabinet as follows:

- The Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) was set at a 2020/21 MFG of +1.84% with no cap on gains (This matches the NFF methodology);
- To transfer Schools Block headroom of circa £2m (0.26% of the Schools Block) once the NFF methodology has been implemented in full as the local formula, to support the Early Years block. (This headroom is generated from Lancashire's Growth allocation).
- To amend the notional SEN to remove the Basic Pupil elements from the calculation.

High Needs Block (HNB)

The extra funding made available nationally for school budgets from April 2020 have provided a considerable increase in HNB funding in Lancashire for 2020/21.

This additional funding will be used to:

- cover the forecast growth in High Needs expenditure from April 2020;
- support increases in HNB expenditure to broadly match uplifts in the mainstream sector, including:
 - increasing the Weighted Pupil Numbers (WPN) rate by 5% to £4,305;
 - realigning the 'School Specific' allocation in special schools to be more equitable and transparent
 - Uplifting the PRU School Specific rate by 4%;
 - Uplifting the PRU Excluded Pupils, Medical and Other pupils rates in line with NFF rates;

Early Years Block (EYB)

The Government have increased the 2020/21 EYB allocation, but not at the same level of increase that is included in the Schools and High Needs blocks, and there remain considerable cost pressures facing all providers across the sector.

Lancashire will passport additional Government 2020/21 allocations for 2, 3 and 4 years olds by increasing base rates by 8p per hour.

In addition, the Schools Forum has agreed to transfer the £2m headroom from the Schools Block, which will include, for one year only:

- a local increase to the 3&4 year old base rates of an extra 8p per hour, in addition to that provided by the increased Government funding;
- an increase of £200k to the SEN Inclusion Fund from April 2020, to provide a higher budget to support early years pupils with high needs.

Other factors within the Early Years Funding Formula will continue, at 2019/20 rates, including the supplementary funding for Maintained Nursery Schools.

Service De-delegations 2020/21

Regulations require that the Forum is responsible for deciding which services should be de-delegated each year. In October 2019, the Forum considered a number of de-delegation proposals. Primary and secondary members agreed by phase that a number of services would be de-delegated for the 2020/21 financial year. This means that for primary and

secondary schools (but not academies) services will be provided centrally. For the first time in 2020/21, a new de-delegation was agreed, relating to Primary Inclusion Hubs. A full list of de-delegations agreed from April 2020 are:

- **Staff costs – Public Duties/Suspensions.** This de-delegation incorporates reimbursement to schools for staff costs associated with public duties and suspensions;
- **Museum Service - Primary Schools Only.** Provides funding for the work the museum service undertakes for primary schools to help meet the national curriculum and to support wider cultural learning;
- **Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty.** This funding allows support to be offered to schools in financial difficulty, which is managed by the School Improvement Challenge Board (SICB) against published eligibility criteria. An additional element to the de-delegation was agreed for 2020/21 to include a rolling programme of School Financial Health Checks.
- **Primary Inclusion Hubs.** This new de-delegation aims to establish an Inclusion Hub of primary schools in each district to reduce exclusions and improve attendance for pupils at risk of exclusion, including providing high quality training for staff in schools and sharing share good practice and expertise.

Consultation Responses

As always, the Forum is very grateful for the consultation responses and comments from colleagues in schools and academies that help to shape and steer the Forum's decisions and recommendations. For example, over 150 responses were received during the consultation on de-delegation proposals for 2020/21.

Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD)

The Schools Budget for 2020/21 contains a significant increase in the overall level of funding compared to 2019/20, with further increases announced by the Government for the subsequent two financial years.

A significant number of schools have faced a challenging financial environment in recent years. This additional funding will help ease some of the financial pressures on many schools from April 2020 going forward, however, there are many schools that will only receive inflationary level per pupil increases and may still face considerable financial pressures.

By way of context, the outturn position for maintained schools at March 2019 revealed that school balances had decreased by £1.4m, to a total of £42.7m. The level of aggregate balances held by schools is now at the lowest level since 2009/10. 46% of schools used reserves in year to set their budget and 39 schools ended the financial year in a deficit budget position.

The Forum continues to work with the LA to support schools that are in, or may be heading towards financial difficulty. This includes monitoring the financial outlook of schools on the Schools in Financial Difficulty category warning system for maintained schools, issuing early warning letters to offer a 'heads-up' that financial pressures may be mounting and using the agreed SIFD procedures to provide additional support to some schools. In March 2020, the

Forum agreed a one-off SIFD allocation to a Lancashire school, to assist with its financial recovery plan from April 2020.

A School Resource Management Adviser (SMRA) was utilised to offer additional support for a small number of Lancashire schools.

COVID-19

Using the Urgent Business Procedure in March 2020, the Forum agreed some early Schools Budget related actions in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, including:

Early Education Funding (EEF) – Summer Term 2020 Payment Proposals

Government announcements in response to COVID-19 include confirmation that Early Education Funding will continue in the event that settings close. However, there is a significant risk to the sustainability of the PVI childcare sector if the LA is unable to pay providers in a timely way. In response, a revised payment process for the summer term EEF payments, and subsequent terms if necessary, to mitigate this issue was supported by the Forum.

Clawback of balances at 31 March 2020

The Forum have previously agreed the clawback policy that would apply at 31 March 2020. However the current COVID-19 situation may impact on the year end procedures for some schools and the county council, including schools unable to complete normal year end closure processes by the published deadlines, backlogs in the county council around processing payments, possible government instructions around council priorities etc. Capital projects at some schools, which were due to be completed by year end, have also be delayed pushing payments back into the new financial year.

As individual school year end accounts may be affected by this, the Forum agreed to suspend the application of clawback at 31 March 2020.

Supply Cover Insurance and Maternity Scheme for Lancashire Schools

A number of COVID-19 related questions relating to the Lancashire supply scheme rules had been received. The Forum agreed a number of rule applications related to specific circumstances around COVID-19 absences.

Full details of all Schools Forum business are available from the [Schools Forum website](#).

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LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Date of meeting 2 July 2020

Item No 8

Title: Recommendations of the Schools Block Working Group

Executive Summary

In June 2020, the Schools Block Working Group considered a number of reports using the Urgent Business Procedure, including:

- Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20;
- Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20;
- Urgent Business Outcomes - Supply Scheme update and alternatives to May 2020 schools census;
- Charging for the Operation of Schools Local Bank Account;
- Service De-delegations 2020/21 – School Financial Health Check Funding;
- Trade Union Facilities Agreement;
- Scheme for Financing Schools in Lancashire;
- Split Site Funding Appeal.

Background

In June 2020, the Schools Block Working Group considered a number of reports using the Urgent Business Procedure. 22 responses were received, which have been collated to form the Working Group's recommendations. A summary of the key issues and recommendations are provided in this report.

1. Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20

Information and recommendations are incorporated in the report at item 6 Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20.

2. Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20

Information and recommendations are incorporated in the report at item 7 Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20.

3. Urgent Business Outcomes - Supply Scheme update and alternatives to May 2020 schools census

On 20 May 2020, a request was distributed to members of the Schools Forum, using the Forum's Urgent Business Procedure. This request sought urgent views over 2 matters, relating to:

- an update on the operation of the Lancashire supply scheme;
- actions to be taken in response to the Government's decision to cancel the summer term 2020 school census for High Needs Block pupils (Views have already been sought in connection with Early Years Block funding).

Members were asked to respond by the end Friday 22 May 2020 and by the closing date, 25 responses had been received. All responses supported both proposals without amendment, but two responses included comments and responses were provided to these members.

Both the proposals were supported by Director for Education and Skills.

Arrangements have now been made to implement the decisions:

- The Supply Cover Insurance policy update allows schools to claim for staff that are self isolating or shielding due to COVID-19, where the school can demonstrate that they are incurring additional costs which could not be met by other flexible working options available at the current time. Under normal operation, the scheme only reimburses schools for sickness absence. Further information has now been issued to schools.
- The agreed alternative data sources are being implemented to replace the information from the now cancelled May 2020 school census to enable summer term funding redeterminations to be calculated. Slightly different methodologies have been agreed for different sectors, to reflect the needs of each phase. Arrangements are now taking place to collect and calculate the data.

The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the report.**

4. Charging for the Operation of Schools Local Bank Account

In October 2019, the Forum supported revised bank account charges being introduced from April 2020.

The revised charges for 2020/21 are:

- Set up a new school bank account –Charge £1,000.
- Annual maintenance charge for operating a school bank account - Charge £500

The 2019/20 charges were:

- £500 to set up a new school bank account;
- £350 annual maintenance charge for operating a school bank account.

In reviewing the charges for the 2020/21 financial year, some key factors the Forum considered were:

- In recent years, schools establishing a bank account have needed considerable additional support over and above that originally envisaged in setting the charge. This has particularly involved additional work for Schools Financial Service (SFS) staff to visit the schools and rectify problems and ensure that relevant returns are submitted to the County Council, as required by the Scheme for Financing Schools;
- The maintenance charge is still not achieving full cost recovery.

In response to the original reports, members had sought clarification of the services provided, which included reconciling local bank records into the county council's accounts, investigation and correction of errors, reconciling payroll, ensuring completion of statutory VAT returns, offering support and guidance etc.

The 2020/21 charges were due to be issued in June 2020 to bank account schools and the accompanying notification will specify that the revised charges were agreed with the Forum. This report acts as a reminder of the discussions if Forum members are contacted about the decision from October 2019.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report.**

5. Service De-delegations 2020/21 – School Financial Health Check Funding

In October 2019, the primary and secondary school representatives on the Forum voted in favour of a number of de-delegation proposals for 2020/21. Group Buy-back arrangements were also agreed with other phases of schools to mirror the relevant de-delegations from April 2020.

2020/21 budgets for all types of maintained school were therefore adjusted to reflect the agreed de-delegations and group buy-backs.

One of these de-delegations related to the Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD). The specific SIFD service offer for 2020/21 included an enhanced proposal relating to the inclusion of financial health checks for schools. Other elements of the SIFD support remain unchanged.

This enhanced proposal had been developed in response to comments from Lancashire schools and the Schools Forum and proposals in a DfE consultation on the 'Financial transparency of LA maintained schools and academy trusts'. The final outcome of the DfE Financial Transparency consultation had not been published in October 2019, but the Government's documentation indicated that any new requirements would be introduced from April 2020.

Costings for the Lancashire health check proposal had therefore been estimated and an additional figure of £0.73 per pupil for both primary and secondary schools had been included in the SIFD de-delegation proposals for 2020/21. During the discussions of this extended service offer it was confirmed that the additional funding in the Schools in Financial Difficulty de-delegation for school financial health checks was subject to confirmation and would only be taken if the LA intended to proceed with proposals set out in the consultation document.

Members will recall that a number of DfE announcements in connection with the school funding arrangements for 2020/21 were then delayed due to the purdah period around the December 2019 snap general election, including Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) allocations for 2020/21 and the DfE response to the consultation on the 'Financial transparency of LA maintained schools and academy trusts'.

After receipt of DSG allocations, 2020/21 school budgets were issued in Lancashire on 26 February 2020, following a slightly truncated budget setting process, and included the agreed de-delegations/group buy-backs. At that time, no announcements had been received in connection with the outcome of the Financial Transparency consultation, but informal intelligence suggested that the Government were still considering the consultation responses with the aim of issuing their final guidance ahead of April 2020.

However, the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic changed priorities for many organisations and in April 2020, the DfE published updated Statutory Guidance in connection with Schemes for Financing Schools. A separate item on the agenda deals with this guidance in more detail, but the DfE announcement indicated that, due to the current COVID-19 situation, scheme changes had been kept to a minimum, for example by delaying the publication of the 'Financial transparency of LA maintained schools and academy trusts' consultation response.

Whilst the LA had done some preparatory work around a school health check service offer, which enabled a cost to be calculated for the de-delegation, it is not intended to proceed with any local arrangements at the current time. Furthermore, it is not expected that any DfE requirements would become effective before April 2021.

A decision now needs to be taken around what should be done with the de-delegation and group buy-back funding that had been collected in good faith to deliver the expected health check requirements, which equates to circa £140k in total.

The views of the working group were sought on the options available.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;**
- b) Expressed views about the options available for the funding within the Support for Schools in Financial Difficulty (SIFD) de-delegation relating to financial**

health checks for schools. There was no overall consensus and an analysis of the views expressed are shown below:

Feedback on possible options in connection with funding relating to the school financial health check element of the 2020/21 SIFD de-delegation funding.	
Option	No of responses
Hold the funding in the de-delegation reserve specifically earmarked for school health checks	6
Utilise the funding as part of the wider Schools in Financial Difficulty support in 2020/21	6
Use the health checks funding as a further DSG contribution to the 'structural deficits' reserve	4
Reimburse the 'health check' element of funding to all schools on the basis that it was collected	5
No response	1

One member raised concerns about the collecting of this money from schools for a potential purpose and as it has been found unnecessary suggested that this type of "speculative taking of funds" be avoided in future and should not have happened in the first place.

6. Trade Union Facilities Agreement

Following a consultation with schools, the Forum agreed a 2020/21 de-delegation for 'Staff costs – Public Duties/Suspensions', which included the trade union duties at 2019/20 levels.

A report was provided for the working group, which had been produced by the Schools HR team, offering the annual update around the Trade Union Facilities Time Agreement. This information was provided for consideration ahead of any possible de-delegation decisions that may need to be taken in October 2020, relating to FY 2021/22.

It was noted that the Staff Costs de-delegation also incorporates support for certain public duties and when staff are suspended. Whilst there was reference in the HR report about a certain element of facilities time not being utilised each year, it was noted that the overall staff costs de-delegation was overspend in 2019/20, by circa £120k, and it was therefore likely that the costs of this de-delegation will need to increase in 2021/22.

The question posed by the Schools HR Team was:

Forum are asked to consider whether the existing number of representatives (12 FTE) should be reviewed. Forum may wish to consider the fact that 14% of teachers now work in schools that do not fall under the facilities agreement, and that on average approx. 2.0 FTE facilities time is not used each year. This is despite the fact that overall HR casework statistics within the Schools HR Team are not reducing.

For 2020/21, the Forum decided that information on the facilities time agreement should be included in the de-delegation consultation with schools to help inform the options for consideration. No Forum recommendation accompanied the information provided in the consultation. Members were asked to consider if the facilities time report should again be

shared with schools in a similar way, as part of the 2021/22 de-delegation consultation (assuming continued de-delegations are allowable in the 2021/22 funding regulations)

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;
- b) Expressed views about the Trade Union Facilities Agreement in connection with the proposed 2021/22 de-delegation, with a majority favouring the 'Yes, and with a Forum recommendation that the TU funding is reduced to reflect a smaller workforce' option, as shown below:

Feedback on the updated facilities time agreement information being included in the 2021/22 de-delegation consultation with schools.	
Option	No of responses
Yes, and with a Forum recommendation that the TU funding is reduced to reflect a smaller workforce	14
Yes and with a Forum recommendation that the TU funding continues at the 2020/21 levels	5
Yes, but without any accompanying Forum recommendation	3
No, don't include the information in the consultation	0

7. Scheme for Financing Schools in Lancashire

The School Standards and Framework Act 1998 requires local authorities to publish a scheme for financing schools, which details the financial relationship with the maintained schools in the council. Any amendments to schemes must be the subject of consultation with all schools and be approved by the Schools Forum.

In April 2020, the DfE issued an 11th update to Statutory Guidance on schemes and details of the scheme updates introduced by the latest guidance were provided for the working group.

In issuing the updated guidance, the DfE indicated that, due to the current COVID-19 situation, they have kept changes to a minimum, for example by delaying the publication of the 'Financial transparency of LA maintained schools and academy trusts' consultation response, which may have had scheme implications.

The Authority has reviewed the Lancashire scheme and introduced the amendments set out in the DfE guidance. A revised draft Lancashire Scheme can be viewed [here](#), with amendments to the existing scheme shown as tracked changes.

The most significant change introduced in this update relates to the extension of the DfE's risk protection arrangement (RPA) to maintained schools from 1 April 2020. The amendment is required to ensure that the scheme allows this new arrangement to be available for those maintained schools that may have signed up for the RPA in 2020/21. Whilst we have not received formal confirmation from the DfE about any RPA sign up from Lancashire schools, a small number of schools have withdrawn from the LCC insurance arrangements from April 2020, which may suggest that these schools have joined the RPA.

As required by regulations, the county council issued a consultation with maintained schools on the proposed scheme amendments. A letter was distributed on the Schools Portal on 20 April 2020 seeking views. It acknowledged that schools may have other priorities at that time, but this consultation offered colleagues an opportunity to comment on the scheme edits if they so wished.

By the closing date for responses of 22 May 2020 no responses or comments had been received.

Members will be aware that scheme consultations do not stimulate many comments even in more normal times, with no responses having been received on previous occasions.

The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the report and that no views were received from schools during the scheme consultation;**
- b) **Supported the introduction of the proposed scheme amendments.**

This is a formal Schools Forum decision and approval will be sought to update the Lancashire scheme as part of the decision making process for the July Forum meeting.

8. Split Site Funding Appeal

Following a series of reports, a revised split site policy was agreed by the Forum in January 2019 and subsequent reports have presented appeals and later applications for the consideration of members.

On issuing the 2020/21 schools budget, a further split site appeal has been received. The school in question has made a previous appeal to their original split site categorisation ahead of the 2019/20 school budget being issued. The original appeal had two elements. One part of the appeal made representations about the costs incurred by the school as part of their split site arrangements and the second element of the appeal related to the notice period being given to schools.

At the time, the Forum accepted that the notice period for any school reductions in split site allocation for 2019/20 was tight, if schools were only receiving confirmation in January 2019, so all 2018/19 split site funding levels were honoured for 2019/20.

For 2020/21, schools in receipt of a split site allocation in 2018/19, received the higher of either, their allocation against the revised criteria, or 50% of their 2018/19 allocation. The reduced split site allocation has only therefore impacted on the school budget from April 2020. In addition, a new Headteacher has taken up post at the school and in discussion with the governors, has submitted an appeal.

The appeal information from the school was provided for the Working Group in full, although it was noted that the distance between the buildings has been reassessed by the school as 271m.

The views of the working group are now sought in connection with the appeal.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report;
- b) Expressed views about the split site appeal. There was no overall consensus and an analysis of the views expressed are shown below, with rejecting the appeal marginally the most popular view:

Feedback on a school appeal against the application of the split site funding policy	
Option	No of responses
Reject the appeal as the school does not meet the distance threshold for split site criteria 1	10
Support the appeal and award criteria 1 level funding due to the exceptional case made in the appeal	9
Support a reduced distance threshold for criteria 1 so that the school qualify	1
No response/not sure	2

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Item No 9

Title: Recommendations of the High Needs Block Working Group

Executive Summary

In June 2020, the High Needs Block Working Group considered a number of reports using the Urgent Business Procedure, including:

- Developing the Approach and Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities;
- Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20;
- Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20;
- Urgent Business Outcomes - Supply Scheme update and alternatives to May 2020 schools census;
- Teachers' Pension Employer Contribution Grant (TPECG) Claim from supplementary fund for specialist settings;
- Charging for the Operation of Schools Local Bank Account.

Recommendations

The Forum is asked to:

- a) Note the report from the June 2020 High Needs Block Working Group;
- b) Ratify the Group's recommendations.

Background

In June 2020, the High Needs Block Working Group considered a number of reports using the Urgent Business Procedure. 12 responses were received, which have been collated to form the Working Group's recommendations. A summary of the key issues and recommendations are provided in this report.

1. Developing the Approach and Provision for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

Previous information to the working group welcomed this formal strategy agreed by Cabinet but asked some supplementary questions. Responses from the Inclusion Service included the following, which were shared with the Schools Forum in March 2020:

- Costings relating to the refurbishment of the Skerton High school site were obtained, but costs were prohibitive and would have needed to utilise a significant proportion of the capital funding available, so other projects were deemed a higher priority;
- There are no plans at present in relation to the Broadfield site;
- Expressions of Interest in connection with special educational needs units in mainstream schools were due to close on 20 March 2020, and no decisions have yet been taken in response to submissions. The timescales may also need to be reconsidered in the light of COVID-19.

Since the Forum meeting responses have been collated in connection with the Expressions of Interest (EoI) for the Additionally Resources Mainstream Schools (ARMS). 7 EoI were received from primary schools and no EoI were received from the secondary sector. The LA has been looking to evaluate and progress matters with the primary school volunteers, where appropriate.

The closing date for school responses coincided with the outbreak of COVID-19 and this may have impacted on the number of EoI received. A further communication is now to be sent out to mainstream schools providing information on the gaps that remain in provision following the first round of responses, and seeking additional volunteers.

There have been no further developments in connection with the Skerton or Broadfield sites.

The Working Group:

a) Noted the report

2. Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20

Information and recommendations are incorporated in the report at item 6 Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20.

3. Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20

Information and recommendations are incorporated in the report at item 7 Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20.

4. Urgent Business Outcomes - Supply Scheme update and alternatives to May 2020 schools census

On 20 May 2020, a request was distributed to members of the Schools Forum, using the Forum's Urgent Business Procedure. This request sought urgent views over 2 matters, relating to:

- an update on the operation of the Lancashire supply scheme;
- actions to be taken in response to the Government's decision to cancel the summer term 2020 school census for High Needs Block pupils (Views have already been sought in connection with Early Years Block funding).

Members were asked to respond by the end Friday 22 May 2020 and by the closing date, 25 responses had been received. All responses supported both proposals without amendment, but two responses included comments and responses were provided to these members.

Both the proposals were supported by Director for Education and Skills.

Arrangements have now been made to implement the decisions:

- The Supply Cover Insurance policy update allows schools to claim for staff that are self isolating or shielding due to COVID-19, where the school can demonstrate that they are incurring additional costs which could not be met by other flexible working options available at the current time. Under normal operation, the scheme only reimburses schools for sickness absence. Further information has now been issued to schools.
- The agreed alternative data sources are being implemented to replace the information from the now cancelled May 2020 school census to enable summer term funding redeterminations to be calculated. Slightly different methodologies have been agreed for different sectors, to reflect the needs of each phase. Arrangements are now taking place to collect and calculate the data.

The Working Group:

a) Noted the report.

Subsequent to the meeting clarification has been provided about the Alternative Provision arrangements to confirm that the Summer term 2019 actuals will be used as the baseline for the PRU summer term 2020 redeterminations. A local PRU census request was issued in early June 2020 to collate the latest pupil data for each PRU, including information about any pupils that may be attending due to COVID-19. This data will be shared with finance to ensure that there are no schools at risk of a large negative impact from the use of summer term 2019 data. For the summer term 2020 redeterminations, all PRUs will receive funding based on the actual NOR at May 2019 as a minimum.

5. Teachers' Pension Employer Contribution Grant (TPECG) Claim from supplementary fund for specialist settings

Previous reports to the Forum have referred to the increase in the employer contribution rate of the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) from 16.4% to 23.6% that was introduced from September 2019.

DfE allocated funding, calculated on a formulaic methodology, to all schools to cover the costs of this pensions increase, and made available a Supplementary Fund, to which schools could bid, if their grant allocation fell short of their actual pension cost by more than 0.05% of their overall budget for the period.

Mainstream schools had to submit an application to the Supplementary Fund on an individual basis, by 17 January 2020. However, the DfE indicated that the bid for 'specialist schools', which included special schools and academies, PRUs and alternative provision academies, must be submitted as a single claim by the LA, together with any costs for teaching staff employed centrally by the LA.

The initial announcements from DfE indicated that this process would commence in April 2020, but the notifications about the claim procedure were only received on 4 May 2020 and had to be returned to the DfE by 31 May 2020.

Responses were received from all specialist institutions, and relevant county council services, and the return was submitted by the DfE deadline.

The LA would like to thank all schools and academies for responding to the LA with information necessary to complete this return, especially as it coincided with other COVID-19 related pressures that schools would be tackling.

The DfE will be validating the return and information will be provided to schools once further information is received.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the report.**

6. Charging for the Operation of Schools Local Bank Account

In October 2019, the Forum supported revised bank account charges being introduced from April 2020.

The revised charges for 2020/21 are:

- Set up a new school bank account –Charge £1,000.
- Annual maintenance charge for operating a school bank account - Charge £500

The 2019/20 charges were:

- £500 to set up a new school bank account;
- £350 annual maintenance charge for operating a school bank account.

In reviewing the charges for the 2020/21 financial year, some key factors the Forum considered were:

- In recent years, schools establishing a bank account have needed considerable additional support over and above that originally envisaged in setting the charge. This has particularly involved additional work for Schools Financial Service (SFS) staff to visit the schools and rectify problems and ensure that relevant returns are submitted to the County Council, as required by the Scheme for Financing Schools;
- The maintenance charge is still not achieving full cost recovery.

In response to the original reports, members had sought clarification of the services provided, which included reconciling local bank records into the county council's accounts, investigation and correction of errors, reconciling payroll, ensuring completion of statutory VAT returns, offering support and guidance etc.

The 2020/21 charges are due to be issued in June 2020 to bank account schools and the accompanying notification will specify that the revised charges were agreed with the Forum. This report acts as a reminder of the discussions if Forum members are contacted about the decision from October 2019.

The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the report.**

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Item No 10

Title: Recommendations of the Early Years Block Working Group

Executive Summary

In June 2020, the Early Years Block Working Group considered a number of reports using the Urgent Business Procedure, including:

- Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20;
- Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20;
- Schools Forum Urgent Business Process - Alternative arrangements following the cancellation of the May 2020 school census;
- Funding Agreement for the Provision of Early Education Funding 2020/21;
- Early Years Block Autumn Term 2020 Payments;
- Funding for PVI and Childminders with additional Costs associated with COVID-19;
- Local Authority Discretionary Fund.

Recommendations

The Forum is asked to:

- a) Note the report from the June 2020 Early Years Block Working Group;
- b) Ratify the Group's recommendations.

Background

In June 2020, the Early Years Block Working Group considered a number of reports using the Urgent Business Procedure. 9 responses were received, which have been collated to form the Working Group's recommendations. A summary of the key issues and recommendations are provided in this report.

1. Future of Maintained Nursery Schools

During the current COVID-19 pandemic, it was decided that the review of Maintained Nursery Schools (MNS) financial stability should put on hold and the focus of the county council has been to help nursery schools, and other early years providers, in providing the care for children in accordance with government guidance.

A letter has been sent to each MNS in connection with this decision.

The Working Group noted the information.

2. Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20

Information and recommendations are incorporated in the report at item 6 Schools Budget Outturn, School Balances and Clawback 2019/20.

3. Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20

Information and recommendations are incorporated in the report at item 7 Schools Forum Annual Report 2019/20.

4. Schools Forum Urgent Business Process - Alternative arrangements following the cancellation of the May 2020 school census

On 4 May 2020, a request was distributed to members of the Schools Forum and Early Years Working Group, using the Forum's Urgent Business Procedure. This request sought urgent views on proposals for alternative arrangements to calculate funding allocations/redeterminations for maintained early years settings that would originally have used May 2020 school census data,

A copy of the paper distributed with this request was included in the papers and provided further background information.

Members were asked to respond by 12 noon on 6 May 2020 and by the closing date and time, 22 responses had been received.

20 of the responses supported the proposals without amendment and 2 supported the proposals but included comments. One comment was from a school asking if there was any opportunity for schools to be given a longer time period in which to respond to the proposed count process. The LA responded to say that there was unfortunately no flexibility to extend the deadline. The second comment suggested an additional sentence be added to the communication to schools, which was accepted and included in the final version.

The process was also supported by Director for Education and Skills.

Arrangements have now been made to implement the alternative data sources agreed in the proposal.

The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the report.**

5. Funding Agreement for the Provision of Early Education Funding 2020/21

A report is normally presented to the Working Group at this time seeking views on any proposed amendments to the Funding Agreement for the next academic year. For 2020/21, the LA is not proposing to make any changes to the agreement beyond updating the dates to reflect the 2020/21 year.

The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the report.**

6. Early Years Block Autumn Term 2020 Payments

A letter from the Chair of the Working Group was provided for members which set out the key issues in connection to the Early Years Block Autumn Term Payments. Whilst no information is yet available from the DfE, the LA is preparing a paper around possible options. Once this paper has been finalised it will be circulated to members and a skype meeting arranged to allow further discussion of the available options.

The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the report**
- b) **Supported the proposal to hold a virtual meeting on this issue.**

7. Funding for PVI and Childminders with additional Costs associated with COVID-19

Schools may be able to request support directly from the DfE to assist with additional COVID-19 costs including increased premises related costs and additional cleaning costs, subject to certain conditions.

The County Council has asked the DfE if this scheme can also be made available to EY PVI providers and Childminders.

The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the information;**
- b) **Noted that any responses from the DfE will be shared at the skype meeting if it has been received.**

8. Local Authority Discretionary Fund

The following statement from NDNA can be shared with the group. (In Lancashire, it is district councils that deal with business rates)

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NDNA calls on local authorities to support childcare providers

Since business grants were announced of £10,000 for small businesses and £25,000 for retail, hospitality and leisure businesses, NDNA has been lobbying for wider access to these grants. This is because we know that most nurseries have a rateable value that's too high to qualify for the £10,000 grant and were expressly excluded from the £25,000 grant.

NDNA is aware that local authorities now have access to [discretionary funding](#) to support businesses who are struggling to survive due to the Coronavirus shutdown but are unable to access other grant funding.

The grants available under this fund will be for £25,000, £10,000 or any amount up to £10,000 and each local authority will be responsible for their own scheme and have [discretion in determining which businesses](#) they will prioritise.

NDNA has already written to all Chief Executives of billing authorities to make them aware of the needs of the early years sector. And the body which represents local authorities have themselves highlighted [the need to support childcare providers](#) during this crisis.

To identify whether you are eligible for this grant, please check your council's website and search for 'Local Authority Discretionary Grants Fund'. This fund is being managed by the council which handles your business rates so in some areas, this may be different to where your early years team is located. We understand that many have already opened their application process and there are limited funds available so you must act quickly. If you cannot find anything on this fund, please do let us know and we will check our files to see if they have responded to our letter with any further details.

As councils will need to make decisions about how the fund would help your business, you may be asked to provide details about the loss of income you've suffered and why you need to access the grant. Each local authority area might handle this differently but you may be asked for financial information to support your application.

The Working Group:

- a) Noted the information;**
- b) Noted that this information could be discussed as part of the Skype meeting.**

LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

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Item No 11

Title: Recommendations of the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group

Executive Summary

In June 2020, the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group were provided with an update related to school apprenticeship levy developments. This report provides a summary of the developments.

Recommendations

The Forum is asked to:

- a) Note the report from the June 2020 Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group

Background

In June 2020, the Apprenticeship Levy Steering Group were provided with an update related to school apprenticeship levy developments. A summary of the key issues are provided in this report.

School Apprenticeship Levy Update

56 new Requests for Funding have been received and approved since Nov. 2019, with approximately **185** on-going, **15** awaiting enrolment and **144** completed. The total value of apprenticeship requests for this window of opportunity are at approx. **£475,500** over the duration of the apprenticeships.

43 School Business Managers have enrolled on Chartered Manager Degree Apprenticeship over 4 cohorts. 5 Senior Leaders Master Degree's are on-going. Places for 16 Outdoor Activity Apprentices to start September 2020 with Kendal College and a second cohort planned for Jan 2021. A Teacher Apprenticeship to start September 2020 with a group of 10 with Star Academies. 7 Transfer requests for non-levy schools on-going, with 5 still awaiting enrolment in the first window.

Information was provided on changes within the apprenticeship levy team, including:

- Vickie Lowton – has now been promoted to the role of Apprenticeship Team Leader.
- James Beardwood – Learning and Development Officer, will take over as the main lead and point of contact for the schools.
- David Pope – Learning and development officer, working alongside James, will support on the data and financial monitoring of apprenticeships for schools. We are also recruiting another officer to support LCC services, replacing Bee Kershaw, who left in May.
- Chelsea Mullan – New Business Support Officer, will support alongside Alan James she will support the team and James in assisting with the recruitment/placing of adverts onto the LCC website and the National Apprenticeship Service.

In terms of school engagement:

- Covid-19 has meant schools visits have not taken place due to lockdown.
- On-line learning is underway across our schools for all our apprentices.
- 29 apprentices are on a current Break in Learning, 16 due to Covid-19.
- Recruitment has been effected and is likely to remain so until schools return to normality, we currently have 2 vacancies which is significantly down on this time last year which was 30.
- LASBM have allowed us to promote our Teacher Apprenticeship on their on-line community. The May edition of the apprenticeships newsletter has gone out!

The current Financial position was summarised as follows:

Annual Schools Levy fund approx.	£1.4 million
Spend across Levy schools in 2017/18	£20,098
Spend across Levy schools in 2018/19	£319,075
Spend across Levy schools in 2019/2020	£565,245
Spend so far this year 2019/2020	£98,305
Forecast spend this year approx	£780,000
Total spend to date	£1,001,067

Transfer committed	£170,250
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Information was provided on new apprenticeship starts, as follows

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Schools	77	158	116
LCC	98	181	245

Information was also provided on the total of 358 apprenticeships to date, with a breakdown of the numbers in each framework.

A number of frameworks are being switched off, including:

Supporting Teaching & Learning in Schools (L2)
Supporting Teaching & Learning in Physical Education & School Sport (L3)
CYP Workforce (L2)
Business Administration (L2)
Playwork (L2)
Business Administration (L4)

The last date for schools to request new starts on any of the remaining live apprenticeship frameworks was May 31st 2020. Any requests after this date will need to be for new apprenticeship standards.

Further information was also provided on the new apprenticeship standards, including Outdoor Activity Instructor L3 and Teacher L6.

An Update on Levy Transfer was also shared and included the following information

- Annual Levy Transfer pot of approx. £368,000.
- 7 Transfer requests going ahead, with 5 still awaiting enrolment in the first window.
- Supported 7 schools when all enrolled.
- We have recently met with the ESFA to discuss a resolution to the pooled payroll transfer issue.

Key issues looking forward included:

- Growing the number of Apprentice Ambassadors in our schools.
- Intention to resume school visits & cluster meetings from September if we are able to do so.
- Contacting schools directly to promote apprenticeships and to help with any recruitment needs.
- Getting feedback from schools.
- Focusing communications on specific training needs and tailored support
- Continuing to identify & support schools in new apprenticeships.
- Identify more schools to support with a transfer of funds.
- Continue to look for new apprenticeships suitable for schools.

- Newsletter to introduce new team supporting schools apprenticeships at end of June.
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The Working Group:

- a) **Noted the information provided.**

LANCASHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

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Item No 14 a

Title: Any Other Business

School funding: exceptional costs associated with coronavirus (COVID-19) for the period from March to July 2020

Executive Summary

The DfE published updated guidance around 'School funding: exceptional costs associated with coronavirus (COVID-19) for the period from March to July 2020' and made available the claims form.

Recommendations

The Forum is asked to:

- a) Note the report;
- b) Express any views on the DfE School funding: exceptional costs associated with coronavirus (COVID-19) for the period from March to July 2020 update.

Background

On 24 June 2020 the DfE published updated guidance around 'School funding: exceptional costs associated with coronavirus (COVID-19) for the period from March to July 2020' and made available the claims form.

The updated guidance, available [here](#), tightens the interpretation around some aspects of eligibility for the fund, and clarifies that other additional costs are ineligible. For example

- There is a revised section on the impact of schools' financial reserves on eligibility for this funding (schools that expect to add to their existing historic surpluses in their current financial year s are ineligible);
- Additional staff costs are ineligible;
- Any loss of self-generated income is ineligible;
- As schools proceed with a phased wider opening are to be met within existing resources, as any costs incurred as part of that process cannot be claimed through this fund.

The DfE has produced claim form guidance and an accompanying video, which are available [here](#)

The claim form is available via a [DfE Sign-in](#) account and the online form should be completed by **21 July 2020** for eligible exceptional costs incurred to the time of submission. DfE indicate that further claims will be possible in a subsequent claim window in the autumn and details regarding that process will be published later in the year.

There are 3 agreed cost categories against which schools can make a claim:

- increased premises related costs of keeping schools open over school holiday periods, for vulnerable children and children of critical workers
- support for free school meal (FSM) children who are not attending school, other than through the national voucher scheme
- additional cleaning, over and above existing cleaning arrangements, where you have a suspected or confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19).

Schools are asked to read the guidance carefully before submitting claims to the DfE.

Enquiries about how to complete the online form should be directed to GrantPayments.ESFA@education.gov.uk.

All other enquiries about this funding should be directed to DfE.CoronavirusHelpline@education.gov.uk.

Information alerting schools to the guidance will be included in the LAs COVID-19 Bulletin.

