

**Lancashire Schools Forum – Early Years Block Working Group**

**Thursday, 6 March 2025, 13.00 pm in the Jordan Suite, The Exchange, County Hall, Preston**

**Agenda**

**No.      Item**

- 1. Attendance and Apologies for Absence**  
To note any apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes of the Last Meeting**  
To agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 26 November 2024 as a correct record.
- 3. Matters Arising**  
To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 26 November 2024 that are not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
- 4. Schools Forum membership (attached)**  
To note the report.
- 5. Early Years Block Budget 2025/26 (attached)**  
To note the report.
- 6. Early Years Rates 2025/26**  
Presentation to be delivered by Matt Dexter.
- 7. DfE Statutory Guidance Update – Charging**  
Verbal Update from Mel Foster
- 8. Any Other Business**
- 9. Date of Next Meeting**  
The next scheduled meeting of the Early Years Working Group is arranged for 13.00 pm 12 June 2025. Meeting arrangements to be confirmed in due course.
- 10. Early Years Inclusion Meeting**  
Held directly after Working Group any members can stay.