

Lancashire County Council

Lancashire Schools Forum - High Needs Block Working Group

Thursday, 27 November 2025, 10.00 am, in the Ribble 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 2 October 2025 as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising

To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 2 October 2025 that are not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

4. Dedicated Schools Grant Monitoring 2025/26 and 2026/27 Forecast (Attached)

To note the report.

5. High Needs Block Commissioned Places 2026/27 (Attached)

To consider the report on the High Needs Block places to be commissioned in 2026/27.

6. Clawback Exemption Requests 2026/27 (Attached)

To consider the request.

7. High Needs Block Mitigations 2026/27 (Supplementary paper to follow)

To consider the request.

8. Supply Cover Insurance and Maternity Scheme for Lancashire Schools Arrangements 2026/27 (Attached)

To note the proposed amendments to the 2026/27 Scheme.

9. Any Other Business

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the High Needs Block Working Group is arranged for 10:00 am 3 March 2026.

