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Lincolnshire Schools' Forum

A meeting of the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum will be held on **Thursday**, **12 January 2017 at 1.00 pm in Committee Room One**, **County Offices**, **Newland**, **Lincoln LN1 1YL** for the transaction of the business set out on the attached Agenda.

Yours sincerely

Tony McArdle Chief Executive

Membership of the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum

SCHOOLS' MEMBERS

Nursery (1)

Joanne Noble (Head Teacher, Gainsborough Nursery School)

Special (2)

Nigel Sisley JP (Governor, St Francis Community Special School, Lincoln) Steve Barnes (The Pilgrim School, Lincoln)

Primary Maintained (7)

Primary Headteachers (4)

Vicky Cook (Head Teacher, Welbourn Church of England Primary School)
Patricia Ruff (Head Teacher, Dunholme St Chads Church of England Primary School)
Ian Wilkinson (Head Teacher, Deeping St James Community Primary School)
Geraldine Willders (Head Teacher, St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Grantham)

Primary Governors (3)

Marilyn Bell (Governor, The Fenland Federation)
Roger Hewins (Governor, Corringham Church of England Primary School)
James Todd (Governor, Woodlands Infant and Nursery School, Lincoln)

Secondary Maintained (1)

1 vacancy

Pupil Referral Unit (1)

1 vacancy

Academies (12)

Secondary Academies (7)

David Bennett (Governor, Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Horncastle) Professor Ken Durrands CBE (Governor, The King's School, Grantham) Jeremy Newnham (Head Teacher, Caistor Yarborough Academy) Nichola Shore (Head Teacher, Banovallum School, Horncastle) James Storr (Governor, The Deepings School, Deeping St James) lan Widdows (Head Teacher, Giles Academy, Old Leake) 1 vacancy

Primary Academies (3)

Mark Anderson (New Dawn Trust)

Helen Hilton (Head Teacher, Little Gonerby Church of England Infant School)

1 vacancy

Special Academy (1)

Lea Mason (Executive Head Teacher, Lincolnshire Wolds Federation, Louth)

Alternative Provision Academy (1)

1 vacancy

NON-SCHOOLS' MEMBERS

Faith Groups (1)

Bridget Starling (Church of England)

Further Education / Post 16 Sector (1)

Matthew Orford (Director, Linkage College)

Staff Trade Unions (1)

Helen Stokes (UNISON)

Early Years Providers (1)

Alison Hill (Area Manager, Paper Moon Day Nurseries, Nottingham)

LINCOLNSHIRE SCHOOLS' FORUM AGENDA THURSDAY, 12 JANUARY 2017

Item	Title	Pages
1	Apologies for Absence/Replacement Members	
2	Declarations of Members' Interest	
3	Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 October 2016	5 - 14
4	School Funding Arrangements 2017/18 (To receive a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services), which provides the Schools' Forum with an update on school funding arrangements for 2017/18; and seeks support for the Local Authority's proposals relating to a number of centrally held budgets)	
5	2016/17 Section 251 Benchmarking Information (To receive a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services), which provides the Schools' Forum with latest Section 251 benchmarking data published by the Department of Education in September 2016)	
6	Academies Update (To receive a report from Adrian Clarke, (Education Reorganisation Officer, Children's Services), which provides information on the latest number of academies, and pupils in academies)	
7	Lincolnshire Schools' Forum - Work Programme (This item provides the Schools' Forum with an opportunity to discuss potential items for future meetings for inclusion in the Work Programme)	

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PRESENT: MARK ANDERSON (CHAIRMAN)

Joanne Noble (Headteacher, Gainsborough Nursery School), Nigel Sisley JP (Governor, St Francis Community Special School, Lincoln), Vicky Cook (Headteacher, Welbourn Church of England Primary School), Steve Barnes (Head Teacher, The Pilgrim School, Lincoln), Ian Wilkinson (Headteacher, Deeping St James Community Primary School), Geraldine Willders (Head Teacher, St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Grantham) (Vice-Chairman), David Bennett (Governor, Horncastle Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School), James Todd (Chair of Governors, Woodlands Infant & Nursery School, Lincoln), Professor Ken Durrands CBE (Governor, The King's School, Grantham), Nichola Shore (Head Teacher, Banovallum School, Horncastle), Helen Hilton (Head Teacher, Little Gonerby Church of England Infant School), Lea Mason (Executive Head Teacher, Lincolnshire Wolds Federation, Louth), Ian Widdows (Head Teacher, Giles Academy, Old Leake), Helen Stokes (Branch Secretary, UNISON) and Julia Merivale (Manager, Trinity Day Nursery)

Also in attendance: Councillor David Brailsford attended the meeting as an observer

Officers in attendance:-

Andrea Brown (Democratic Services Officer), Gavin Booth (Children's Services Manager - Education Strategy), Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services), Heather Sandy (Chief Commissioning Officer for Learning) and Tony Warnock (Operations and Financial Advice Manager)

41 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Mark Anderson be elected as the Chairman of the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum for 2016/17.

MARK ANDERSON IN THE CHAIR

42 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

That Geraldine Willders be elected Vice-Chairman of the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum for the year 2016/17.

43 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/REPLACEMENT MEMBERS

Due to the number of new members at the meeting, the Chairman invited all present to introduce themselves to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Jeremy Newnham (Head Teacher, Caistor and Yarborough Academy), James Storr (Governor, The Deepings School), Bridget Starling (Diocesan Education Centre) and Alison Hill (Area Manager, Paper Moon Day Nurseries).

Alison Hill (Area Manager, Paper Moon day Nurseries) was replaced by Julia Merivale (Manager, Trinity Day Nursery) for this meeting only.

Councillor Mrs P A Bradwell also submitted apologies.

44 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTEREST

The Vice-Chairman, Geraldine Willders, declared an interest in Item 9-De-Delegation of maintained primary school budgets 2017/18 and 2018/19 as her role as Head Teacher of St Mary's Catholic Primary School was one of the Consultant Head Teachers referred to within the report.

There were no other declarations of Members Interests made at this stage of the proceedings.

45 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27 APRIL 2016

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum held on 27 April 2016 be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

46 LINCOLNSHIRE SCHOOLS' FORUM MEMBERSHIP

The Democratic Services Officer advised the Forum that elections had been held during June and July 2016. The position following the election was as follows:-

<u>Appointments</u>

- James Todd (Primary Governor (Maintained);
- Ian Widdows (Secondary Academies);
- Nichola Shore (Secondary Academies); and
- Steve Barnes (Special (Maintained)).

Vacancies

- Secondary Head Teachers (Maintained) 1 vacancy;
- Pupil Referral Unit 1 vacancy; and
- Primary Academies 1 vacancy.

Members were asked to note that no response to the election process had been received from representatives of the Secondary Head Teachers (Maintained) or Primary Academies.

The Forum were also advised that two further resignations had been received from Roger Hale (Head Teacher, Caistor Grammar School), due to his retirement, and Jerry Tucker (Head Teacher, The Acorn Free School, Lincoln). These resignations had generated a further two vacancies:-

- Secondary Academy Head Teacher 1 vacancy; and
- Alternative Provision Academy 1 vacancy.

It was reported that there was no intention to conduct a further election at this time. However, the Chairman requested that Members of the Forum actively advise colleagues of the vacancies and encourage expressions of interest. The Senior Democratic Services Officer would be asked to advise Members of future elections once arranged.

RESOLVED

That the update on Members of the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum be noted.

47 SCHOOLS REVENUE FUNDING 2017/18

Consideration was given to a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) which advised the Forum of the Government's plans for school revenue funding for 2017/18.

The Head of Finance, Children's Services, advised the Forum that the Government would launch the second stage of the fairer funding consultation for schools and high needs in the autumn, to apply from 2018/19 (one year later than planned).

Officers were currently reviewing the DfE's Operational Guide and Technical note to ensure that the Local Authority (LA) was compliant with all aspects in 2017/18. Any significant changes would be reported to the Forum in January 2017.

The Head of Finance, Children's Services guided the Forum through the report.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG): an MFG per pupil value was determined from the prior year budget shares calculation (i.e. no schools could lose more than minus 1.5% of its per pupil funding). The prior year per pupil figure was compared to the new year's funding to determine whether the school was entitled to MFG funding. The lump sum was removed for the purpose of this calculation;
- It was explained that the MFG did not protect a schools total pupil funding but rather the pupil unit value;
- Education Support Grant (ESG): funding of general duties provided funding to the LA in supporting maintained schools, whilst academies received this

funding directly. The Government announced £600m savings nationally on the ESG through the 2015 Spending Review, which would be found from removing general duties funding – from September 2017 this funding source is planned to be removed from LA's by central Government.

RESOLVED

That the content of the report be noted.

48 EARLY YEARS NATIONAL FUNDING FORMULA

Consideration was given to a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) which provided a summary of the key points of the Early Years National Funding Formula consultation that is planned to be implemented from April 2017.

The Head of Finance, Children's Services, referred Forum Members to the response from Lincolnshire County Council to the consultation, at Appendix 1 to the report. It was outlined that although the Government explained that it had created the proposals from an evidence-based approach, the consultation lacked the necessary detail to justify the proposals. This included nursery schools having to be included within the universal base rate.

The national living wage planned increase was also highlighted and that it was unclear whether funding would rise annually through the increases (i.e. £9 per hour by 2020), or providers would need to manage the rate increases within the proposed funding rates outlined.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- The future of the nursery schools remained unclear from the consultation document. Nursery schools would be given two years of transitional funding, but further guidance was required beyond that period. The delivery model of nursery schools would need to be reviewed to ensure the models were financially sustainable;
- Funding for functions which supported the sector, such as the training fund, had previously been held centrally within the early years block, and these would be reviewed by the LA with engagement from providers. This would be considered by the Forum in January;
- It was anticipated that outcome of the consultation would be released in the Autumn ready for implementation in April 2017;
- The paper also alluded to the area cost adjustment and whether that would be applied to the mainstream schools formula. It would be speculation at this stage but the second stage of the mainstream schools funding consultation was expected to provide school level detail rather than focussing no the principles of the funding formula.

RESOLVED

That the report and contents be noted.

49 <u>DE-DELEGATION OF MAINTAINED PRIMARY SCHOOL BUDGETS</u> 2017/18 & 2018/19

The Forum considered a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) which sought approval from the maintained primary school representatives to the LAs proposals for the de-delegation of certain budgets in 2017/18 and acceptance in principle for those budgets in 2018/19.

In guiding the Forum through the report presented, Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) made reference to the following:-

- The LA proposed to continue with the reduced de-delegation rates in 2017/18 for maintained primary schools with the remainder of the costs being met from the cumulative underspend; and
- The 2018/19 de-delegation rates would revert back to the original baseline amounts, although the position would be reviewed in October 2017.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- The Forum discussed whether some services, including safeguarding, could form part of the de-delegation process. Officers advised the Forum that Government guidance only allowed for certain services to be considered for maintained school de-delegation with approval from the sector required;
- It was acknowledged that some things were more cost effective to do together but the proposed national funding formula would make this more difficult in future;
- Services included within the budget were an insurance policy for schools to ensure that they were not left in a vulnerable position.

RESOLVED

That support be given by the maintained primary school representatives to the proposal for de-delegation of the budgets for the period 2017/18 and 2018/19.

That the changes would remain as those agreed in the previous year, as set out in the report presented, and that the charges for 2018/19 would be set at:-

Contingency £26.38

Ethnic Minority and Traveller Education Team £5.44

This would finance:

Termination of employment costs	£0.250m
Consultant headteachers	£0.292m
Exceptional unforeseen costs	£0.380m
Ethnic Minority and Traveller Education Team	£0.188m

50 REVISED SCHOOLS BUDGET 2016/17

Consideration was given to a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) which provided information on the Revised Schools Budget for 2016/17 and sought support for the proposed use of the underspend from 2015/16.

The Head of Finance, Children's Services, guided the Forum through the report presented and made reference to the following:-

- That the underspend carried forward as at 31 March 2016 was £11.052m, which included the £2.966m underspending on centrally held budgets within the DSG. The overall underspend represented c. 10% of the 2015/16 DSG £497.222m) less the delegated schools budget (£384.578m);
- The financial pressures in the centrally held budgets related to the area of Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND), namely SEN placements;
- It was highlighted that a thorough review of commitments had taken place and prudent estimates had been made, which totalled £4.826m. This included the additional funding requested for the extension to the current programme of sector-led investment. Details of the commitments were contained within Appendix 2 and 3 to the report presented;
- Proposals for use of the uncommitted sum of £6.226m, it was reported that the LA proposed that the above said sum was not committed but was held as a reserve, as this was considered prudent due to the list of uncertainties outlined within the paper. It was advised that the amount only represented 6% of the 2015/16 DSG (less delegated schools budget);
- The Forum was advised that any views would be taken back to Children's Services Departmental Management Team and Executive Councillor for Children's Services before a final decision was to be made.

During discussion, the following points were noted:-

- In relation to the uncommitted underspend, it was explained that the reserves would provide added flexibility to respond to emerging pressures, namely SEND placements;
- Inclusive Lincolnshire special schools were being considered with the intention for special schools to meet a broader need of pupils to reduce placements to non-Lincolnshire LA schools, which would control and reduce numbers leaving the county making Lincolnshire's DSG being more cost effective;
- When asked if there was an alternative proposal to the uncommitted underspends, it was explained that the option presented was the only option to ensure that the DSG could be sustainably managed. The Forum was reminded that the DSG was a ringfenced grant which had limitations of use.

RESOLVED

- 1. That the report and content notifying the Forum of the revised Schools Budget for 2016/17 be noted; and
- 2. That the Local Authority's use of the committee and proposed use of the DSG underspend, as outlined in the report, be supported.

51 FREE SCHOOL FUNDING

Consideration was given to a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) which provided the Forum with the financial implications for Lincolnshire's Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for mainstream, special and alternative provision free schools being set up in Lincolnshire.

The Head of Finance, Children's Services, referred Members to Appendix 1 of the report (page 48) which provided details of Lincolnshire's response to the Government consultation on changing the mainstream free school funding arrangements. The Government consultation would put greater financial burden on LA's which Lincolnshire was deeply concerned with.

RESOLVED

That the report and contents be noted.

52 SCHOOL CARRY FORWARDS (2015/16)

Consideration was given to a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) which provided information regarding Lincolnshire maintained schools' carry forwards at 31 March 2016.

The Head of Finance, Children's Services, guided the Forum through the report and Appendix 1. It was acknowledged that the implementation of a new financial system on 1 April 2015 had resulted in a challenging year for all schools. For all sectors, the average carry forward was 6.30% compared to the previous year of 6.19%.

There was thought to be a number of reasons why the carry forward had maintained at this level, namely the uncertainty of the impending National Funding Formula and the financial challenges likely to be faced by schools in the future namely pay cost increases. Challenges with the finance system had also impacted schools with a potential reluctance to spend. It was agreed that schools should prudently hold a reasonable level of reserves to manage fluctuations in funding and costs.

10 schools were reported as having a net overspend (including grants) at 31 March 2016, of which the LA was working with those schools to ensure that appropriate systems were in place and that deficits would be recovered in a timely fashion.

RESOLVED

That the report and contents be noted

53 SCHOOLS FINANCIAL VALUE STANDARD

Consideration was given to a report from Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) which provided an update on the Schools Financial Value Standard (SFVS). The SFVS was mandatory for maintained schools and was

intended to assist schools with managing their finances. Governing bodies had formal responsibility for the financial management of schools and the standard was primarily aimed at governors.

The LA was required to submit a statement to the DfE by the 31 May 2016 on the position of Lincolnshire maintained schools submitting the standard by the 31 March 2016. Of all Lincolnshire maintained schools only 14 schools did not submit the standard by the date. The LA would continue to pursue those outstanding returns.

RESOLVED

That the report and contents be noted.

54 ACADEMIES UPDATE

Consideration was given to a report from John O'Connor (Children's Services Manager: Education Support) which provided information on the latest number of academies and pupils in those academies. The Head of Finance, Children's Services, guided the forum through the report.

Further consideration would be given by officers to the presentation of the report to the Forum in terms of outlining whether academies were single academies or part of a Trust arrangement. Transfer to a single academy was no longer possible for maintained schools and the Forum thought that this level of detail would give a better understanding of the demography.

RESOLVED

That the content of the report be noted;

55 LINCOLNSHIRE SCHOOLS' FORUM - WORK PROGRAMME

Members of the Forum were invited to put forward items for inclusion in future agendas through the Senior Democratic Services Officer.

RESOLVED

That the Work Programme, as presented, be noted.

Professor K J Durrands CBE gave thanks to Mark Popplewell (Head of Finance, Children's Services) for his contribution to the Forum, at recent meetings and those in the future, and asked that the Forum's formal thanks to Tony Warnock (Operations and Financial Advice Manager) be recorded within the minutes, as his predecessor. It was confirmed that Tony had provided tremendous support, dedication and patience to the Forum for a period of approximately 13 years and it was felt appropriate to place formal thanks for this contribution on record.

The Chairman and Members concurred with the comments of Professor Durands and agreed to the request for formal recognition.

56 FUTURE MEETING DATES

Proposed meeting dates for the future were noted on the agenda and Members were asked for their agreement of these dates.

Members agreed to the dates and were asked to ensure that these dates be diarised.

RESOLVED

That the following dates for future meetings of the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum be agreed:-

- Thursday 12th January 2017 1.00pm;
- Thursday 20th April 2017 1.00pm;
- Wednesday 28th June 2017 1.00pm; and
- Wednesday 4th October 2017 1.00pm.

The meeting closed at 2.35 pm



Agenda Item 5



REGULATORY AND OTHER COMMITTEE REPORT

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Lincolnshire Schools' Forum

DATE OF MEETING: 12 January 2017

SUBJECT: 2016/17 Section 251 Benchmarking Information

REPORT BY: Mark Popplewell

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IS REPORT CONFIDENTIAL? No

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to share with the Schools Forum the latest s.251 benchmarking data published by the DfE in September 2016.

DISCUSSION

All Local Authorities (LA) are required to publish, prior to the start of the financial year, a statement showing their planned expenditure on Children's Services. Lincolnshire traditionally presents a copy of its s.251 budget statement to the Schools Forum in April each year.

The statement is prescribed by the DfE and requires LAs to set out in a common format their planned spending on Children's Services for the forthcoming financial year. This has enabled the DfE to publish since 2003/04, comparative information for LAs and Schools Forum to consider. The latest s.251 benchmarking information was published by the DfE in September 2016 and is available at:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/section-251-2016-to-2017

A copy of the benchmarking data from the LA Table of s.251 is attached at Appendix 1. This report looks mainly at the 27 Upper Tier authorities (i.e. counties), because they are similar in character to Lincolnshire.

Although this information is very useful, it is important to note the following points:

- 1. Despite extensive DfE guidance on how to complete the s251 budget statement, it is likely that LAs interpret the guidance in different ways, this can explain some of the apparent variations in planned spending between LAs.
- 2. The DfE has used different divisors when calculating the per pupil funding figures. For example, in some cases the DfE has used total pupils aged 3 19 for maintained schools only, and in some cases the DfE has used total pupils aged 3 19 for maintained schools and all academies. In many cases, the divisors do not take account of specific cohorts, such as the actual number of early years children placed in independent settings, or the number of children actually transported to and from school, etc. Care is therefore needed when interpreting the figures.
- 3. Variation between LAs spending plans can arise due to differences in approach to delegation of services, or how corporate overheads have been assigned to budgets.
- 4. The Schools Forum's principal role is to focus on the use of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG), i.e. those lines up to 1.6.1 or Column 40. The other budget lines and columns beyond that will nevertheless be of interest to the Schools Forum, because they support schools and, more broadly, Children's Services across the county.

The report considers the key subtotals within Appendix 1 and highlights a number of key issues relating to them.

Table 1

Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
1	Individual Schools	3,985	4,100	25 th highest	4,358
	Budget				

Comment: This budget line represents the funding delegated to schools, i.e. school budget shares. These figures are not surprising and are directly influenced by the fact that the DSG funding received by Upper Tier LAs from the DfE is the lowest in the country. The schools national funding formula planned for 2018/19 (a year later than expected) is intended to provide greater consistency and fairness in funding across the country.

Table 2

Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
11	De-delegated items	14	22	21st highest	30

Comment: This budget line represents the funding that has been de-delegated from maintained schools. De-delegation was introduced for the first time in 2013/14 as part of the DfE's school funding reforms. From the figures in Appendix 1 it is clear that LAs and Schools Forums across the country have adopted very different approaches in relation to de-delegation. Some LAs are dedelegating significantly greater sums than Lincolnshire which has traditionally been a high delegator and one that gives schools greater freedom to procure services directly. The table shows that

Lincolnshire's total sum for de-delegation is below the national average, this however is a result of the Schools Forums decision on October 2015 to use de-delegation underspends to offset the dedelegation budget for 2016/17. This budget reduction is temporary until de-delegation reserves have been utilised.

Table 3

Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
24	High Needs budget	321	284	7th highest	308

Comment: This budget line represents the top-up funding for special educational needs (SEN) that is given to special and maintained schools, the Teaching and Learning Centre and independent school providers. It also includes various SEN support services include the newly commissioned behaviour outreach support service. Lincolnshire's figure is marginally above the England average and represents Lincolnshire's position to provide county-wide support services to its schools.

A high needs national funding formula planned for 2018/19 is being consulted on (with a closing date for responses by the 22 March 2017). The objective is to provide a better distribution of funding to Local Authorities, which is much more closely matched to need. The Local Authority will be respond to the consultation to ensure Lincolnshire receives a fair level of funding.

The consultation documentation is available at: https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/high-needs-funding-reform-2/

Table 4

Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
40	Total Schools Budget	4,554	4,690	21st highest	4,942

Comment: This budget line represents the total for those lines preceding it. It essentially represents the total DSG funding that each LA receives from the DfE and the earlier budget lines simply demonstrate how each LA uses it. Schools Forum will be aware that the DfE has launched a 'schools national funding formula' consultation, but the planned implementation of this formula has been pushed back to 2018/19. The DfE has released on the 14 December 2016 the second stage of the Government consultation (with a closing date for responses by the 22 March 2017). An additional Schools Forum meeting date is planned for February 2017 to discuss the consultation documents. The consultation documentation is available at:

https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/schools-national-funding-formula2/

Table 5

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Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
52	School transport - SEN	84	73	10 th highest	64

Comment: This budget line shows the cost to the Council of home to school transport for pupils with SEN. Although s.251 requires LAs to separate SEN transport, it may not always be easy to do that accurately. Lincolnshire's spending is above the Upper Tier average and above the national average. This can be explained through an increase in numbers and the complexity of Higher Needs pupils in Lincolnshire. This has placed a significant financial cost on to the LAs budget and is kept under constant review.

Table 6

Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
53	School transport	148	63	4 th highest	14

Comment: Lincolnshire also receives a relatively low level of Government funding for services that sit outside of the DSG. As previous reports to the Schools Forum have highlighted, the county has to fund a much greater transport cost per pupil than many Upper Tier authorities. So, not only does the county receive less funding than most other LAs nationally, it also has to use a significantly greater element of its funding to pay for school transport. This means that there is less funding available to provide other support services to schools and children.

Table 7

Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
80	Looked After Children	163	232	26 th highest	289

Comment: This line represents a range of services relating to children's social care, including fostering, adoption and residential care. The table indicates that Lincolnshire's spending on these pupils is the 2nd lowest of all the Upper Tier authorities, and the level of spending is considerably below the levels of most other Upper Tier authorities. Despite this, a number of these services in Lincolnshire are judged to be outstanding. The level of Lincolnshire's spending is low due to Lincolnshire's Early Help strategy and preventative services, and how the LA provides support to Looked After Children in particular through the use of their strong in-house foster carers. The LA places a relatively low number of Looked After Children out of county, which has allowed the per capita costs to be kept low.

Table 8

					
Col	Budget line	Lincolnshire's	Upper Tier	Lincolnshire's	England
		funding per	average	rank for	average
		capita	funding per	Upper Tier	(median) per
		£	capita	authorities	capita
			£		£
86	Total Safeguarding	157	144	11 th highest	174

Comment: This line represents a range of services relating to safeguarding. The table indicates that Lincolnshire's spending is between the Upper Tier average and the national average. Spending is above the Upper Tier Authorities average as the LA has a strong Early Help strategy and preventative services to try to reduce the number of Looked After Children.

Further comparisons can be made by referring to Appendix 1.

The s.251 benchmarking data will continue to be used by the LA each year to inform its future spending plans.

Lincolnshire's overall DSG position has not changed significantly since last year. Lincolnshire received £1.142m share of the £92.5m additional funding provided nationally by Government for the High Needs block to contend with growth.

The relatively minor changes in per capita spending and the ranking of LAs will be due to the modest re-alignment of budgets within LAs as they seek to respond to reduced Government funding and their own priorities and local service pressures. Lincolnshire's DSG funding remains low and as indicated in Table 4 above, the 'per pupil' spending on the Schools Budget is £388 less than the England average (median). This adverse situation continues to be compounded by the fact that Lincolnshire County Council spending is £134 per pupil more on school transport than the England average (median).

On the 7 March 2016, the Government announced a stage 1 consultation for a schools and high needs national funding formula, which outlined the principles that would underpin the proposed formula and the pupil characteristics and factors to be included within the formula. The publication of stage 2 of the consultations for schools and high needs were delayed until the 14 December 2016 with the proposed implementation being pushed back to 2018/19 (a year later than planned). The consultation documents can be found from the links contained within this report and the consultation closing date is 22 March 2017. An additional Schools Forum meeting date is planned for February 2017 to discuss the consultation documents. The LA encourages schools to respond to the consultations (via the portal) considering the implications to the schools national funding formula from a school level perspective in particular.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Schools Forum is asked to note the content of the report.

APPENDICES - these are listed below and attached at the back of the report.

Appendix 1 – 2016/17 Section 251 benchmarking data for Upper Tier Authorities (LA Table - net)



16-17 Budget LA Table (Net) £ per

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	3.5.2 Targeted services for young people (D)	3.5.3 Total Services for young people (D)	3.6.1 Youth justice	4.0.1 Capital Expenditure from Revenue (CERA) (Non-schools budget functions and Children's and young people services) (D)	3.1.11 + 3.2.1 + 3.3.4 + 3.4.6 + 3.5.3 + 3.6.1)	Total Children and Young People's Services and Youth Justice Budget (inc CERA)(lines 5.0.2 + 4.0.11 (D)
ENGLAND - Average (mean)	£20	£39	£14	£13	£687	£7
ENGLAND - Average (median)	£16	£34	£12	£0	£657	£6
ENGLAND - Maximum	£106	£142	£47	£843	£1,463	£1,5

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ENGLAND - Average (median)	£16	£34	£12	£0	£657	£662
ENGLAND - Maximum	£106	£142	£47	£843	£1,463	£1,567
ENGLAND - Minimum	£0	£3	-£1	£0	£406	£406
Average (median)	£22	£32	£9	£0	£563	£563
Maximum	£63	£72	£18	£3	£729	£729
Minimum	£0	£10	£3	£0	£428	£428
825 Buckinghamshire	£21	£24	£9	£0	£602	£602
873 Cambridgeshire	£28	£30	£14	£3	£552	£555
909 Cumbria	£25	£45	£6	£0	£729	£729
830 Derbyshire	£36	£58	£11	£0	£437	£437
878 Devon	£3	£28	£15	£0	£672	£672
835 Dorset	£22	£50	£12	£0	£614	£614
845 East Sussex	£24	£35	£7	£0	£563	£563
881 Essex	£29	£29	£14	£0	£493	£493
916 Gloucestershire	£41	£44	£11	£0	£534	£534
850 Hampshire	£12	£13	£10	£0	£435	£435
919 Hertfordshire	£15	£60	£13	£0	£574	£574
886 Kent	£6	£23	£3	£0	£473	£473
888 Lancashire	£15	£37	£10	£0	£588	£588
855 Leicestershire	£48	£48	£16	£3	£464	£467
925 Lincolnshire	£29	£49	£9	£0	£525	£525
926 Norfolk	£0	£14	£8	£0	£659	£659
815 North Yorkshire	£23	£39	83	£0	£428	£428
928 Northamptonshire	£2	£32	£9	£0	£610	£610
891 Nottinghamshire	£22	£48	£6	£0	£664	£664
931 Oxfordshire	£38	£51	£5	£0	£541	£541
933 Somerset	£10	£15	£6	£0	£580	£580
860 Staffordshire	£18	£18	£14	£0	£599	£599
935 Suffolk	£21	£28	£14	£0	£539	£539
936 Surrey	£63	£72	£7	£0	£629	£629
937 Warwickshire	£18	£20	£18	£0	£575	£575
938 West Sussex	£25	£25	£5	£0	£557	£557
885 Worcestershire	£9	£10	£6	£1	£558	£559

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Agenda Item 6



REGULATORY AND OTHER COMMITTEE REPORT

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Lincolnshire Schools' Forum

DATE OF MEETING: 12 January 2017

SUBJECT: Academies Update

REPORT BY: John O'Connor

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IS REPORT CONFIDENTIAL? No.

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the latest number of academies and pupils in academies.

DISCUSSION

The Schools Forum asked for an update to be provided to each meeting on the number of academy conversions.

This is the position as at the 1st December 2016. The pupil figures are based on the October 2016 census data (i.e. the latest published).

Since the effective date of the last report (1st September 2016), there has been two further conversions to academy status. Edenham Church of England School joined Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust (LAAT) on 1st October and South Witham Community Primary School converted to sponsored academy status and became part of The Brooke Hill Academy Trust on 1st November 2016. This brings the total number of primary academies to

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79; 28.2% of the total, and the number of pupils educated in primary academies to 20,714 FTE; 37.3% of the total.

Current Status of All Lincolnshire State Schools

	Schools		FTE	
Nursery				
All	5		238	
Maintained	5	100.0%	238	100.0%
Academy	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Primary				
All	280		55,553	
Maintained	201	71.8%	34,839	62.7%
Academy	79	28.2%	20,714	37.3%
Secondary				
All	55		46,142	
Maintained	5	9.1%	3,581	7.8%
Academy	50	90.9%	42,561	92.2%
Special			,	
All	21		1,836	
Maintained	7	33.3%	680	37.0%
Academy	14	66.7%	1,156	63.0%
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All	1		9	
Maintained	1	100.0%	9	100.0%
Academy	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total				
All	362		103,778	
Maintained	219	60.5%	39,347	37.9%
Academy	143	39.5%	64,431	62.1%

Below is a list of the academy trusts that currently have the greatest number of academies in Lincolnshire. Boston Witham Academies Federation has now merged with Phoenix Family of Schools under the single name of Boston Witham Academies Federation. This list is likely to continue to evolve as Lincolnshire academies change trust, trusts grow and new trusts form or move into the area. Four special schools within Lincolnshire are forming a new academy trust which will be called Lincolnshire Learning for Life Trust and the Lincoln Anglican Academies Trust (LAAT) will continue to expand as more Church of England controlled and aided schools convert to academy and sponsored academy status. Community Inclusive Trust is another trust that continues to expand.

Boston Witham Academies Federation	8
David Ross Education Trust	8
Community Inclusive Trust	7
Education Development Trust	6

Greenwood Academies Trust	6
Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust (LAAT)	6
St Gilbert of Sempringham Academies Trust	5
The Priory Federation of Academies Trust	5
AET	3
Tall Oaks Academy Trust	3

There are thirty-six active multi-academy trusts within Lincolnshire and there is a total of ninety-nine Lincolnshire academies that are members of multi-academy trusts. This is 69.2% of all Lincolnshire Academies. Forty-Four (30.8%) of Lincolnshire academies are not members of multi-academy trusts. Eleven multi-academy trusts have one Lincolnshire academy as a member; six of these are single school multi-academy trusts; the other five have academies that are not within Lincolnshire.

By 1st June 2017 if conversions and sponsored conversions proceed according to their current target dates, the position will be:

Projected Six Month Status of All Lincolnshire State Schools

	Schools		FTE	
Nursery				
All	5		238	
Maintained	5	100.0%	238	100.0%
Academy	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Primary				
All	280		55,553	
Maintained	198	70.7%	34,583	62.3%
Academy	82	29.3%	20,970	37.7%
Secondary				
All	55		46,142	
Maintained	5	9.1%	3,581	7.8%
Academy	50	90.9%	42,561	92.2%
Special				
All	21		1,836	
Maintained	3	14.3%	346	18.8%
Academy	18	85.7%	1,490	81.2%
PRU				
All	1		9	
Maintained	0	0.0%	-174	- 1933.3%
Academy	1	100.0%	183	2033.3%
Academy	1	100.076	103	2000.070
Total				
All	362		103,778	
Maintained	211	58.3%	38,574	37.2%
Academy	151	41.7%	65,204	62.8%

There are eight schools currently targeted to convert to academy status by 1st June 2017. Three of these are primary schools; Sutterton Fourfields Church of England School and Swineshead St Mary's Church of England Primary School are the latest schools intending to join the Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust (LAAT) on 1st April 2017 and Caythorpe Primary School intends to join the Community Inclusive Trust on 1st May 2017. These conversions will bring the number of academy primaries to 82; 29.3% of the total and the number of full time equivalent pupils educated by primary academies to 20,970; 37.7% of the total. These are rises of 1.1% and 0.4% respectively.

Four of the schools are special schools forming the Lincolnshire Learning for Life Trust; Lincoln St Francis Special School, Lincoln the Fortuna Primary School, Lincoln the Sincil School and Lincolnshire the Pilgrim School. These conversions are targeted to occur on 1st April 2017. These conversions mean the number of special academies will rise by 19% to 18; 85.7% of the total, and the number of pupils educated in special academies will rise by 18.2% to 1,490; 81.2% of the total.

The multi-site Pupil Referral Unit, the Lincolnshire Teaching and Learning Centre is continuing the process of converting to academy status sponsored by Wellspring Academy Trust. The current date for this conversion is 1st March 2017.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Schools Forum is asked to note the contents of the report.

APPENDICES - these are listed below and attached at the back of the report.None

Agenda Item 7

Lincolnshire Schools' Forum Work Programme

12 January 2017

Item	Contributor	Purpose
School Funding Arrangements 2017/18	Mark Popplewell	To receive an update on the School Funding for 2017/18
2016/17 Section 251 Benchmarking Information	Mark Popplewell	To receive an update on the Budget Statement for 2016/17
Academies Update	John O'Connor	To provide the Schools Forum with an update on the latest position regarding the number of Maintained schools and Academies and the pupils in them
Lincolnshire Schools' Forum – Work Programme	Katrina Cope	To provide the Schools' Forum with an opportunity to discuss potential items for future meetings, which will be subsequently, included on the Work Programme

February - Special Meeting (Date to be confirmed)

Item	Contributor	Purpose
National funding formula for Schools	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the mainstream school funding
Early Years funding formula for 2017/18	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the Early Years funding following the consultation process
High Needs National Funding Formula	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the High Needs National Funding Formula

20 April 2017

Item	Contributor	Purpose
Section 251 Budget Statement	Mark Popplewell	To update the Schools' Forum with regard to the Budget Statement for 2017/18
National funding formula for Schools	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the mainstream school funding
Annual report on Special Educational Needs	Sheridan Dodsworth	To receive an annual report on Special Educational Needs
Annual report on Early Years	Michelle Andrews	To receive an annual report on the Early Years' Service
Team Around the Child in Lincolnshire	Paula Whitehead	To receive an update on the Team Around the Child
Academies Update	John O'Connor	To provide the Schools Forum with an update on the latest position regarding the number of Maintained schools and Academies and the pupils in them
Lincolnshire Schools' Forum – Work Programme	Katrina Cope	To provide the Schools' Forum with an opportunity to discuss potential items for future meetings, which will be subsequently, included on the Work Programme

28 June 2017

Item	Contributor	Purpose
Election of Chairman/Vice- Chairman	Katrina Cope	
Schools Block Funding Formulae 2017/18:Analysis of Local Authorities' School Block Funding Formulae	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the latest position regarding the number
National funding formula for Schools	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the mainstream school funding
Outreach Support Service Update	Miriam Binsztok	To receive an update on the Outreach Support Service
Alternative Provision Arrangements	Mary Meredith	To provide an update on how the new arrangements are working
Academies Update	John O'Connor	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the latest position regarding the number of Maintained Schools and Academies and the pupils in them
Lincolnshire Schools' Forum – Work Programme	Katrina Cope	To provide the Schools' Forum with an opportunity to discuss potential items for future meetings, which will be subsequently, included on the Work Programme

4 October 2017

Item	Contributor	Purpose
National funding formula for Schools	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the mainstream school funding
De-delegation of Maintained Primary Schools Budgets	Mark Popplewell	To seek approval from the maintained primary school representatives approval to the Local authority's proposals

School Carry Forwards	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with information regarding Lincolnshire's maintained schools' carry forwards at 31 March 2017
School Financial Value Standard	Mark Popplewell	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the Schools Financial Value Standard
SEND Strategy	Sheridan Dodsworth/Andrew Hancy	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the SEND Strategy
Academies Update	John O'Connor	To provide the Schools' Forum with an update on the latest position regarding the number of Maintained Schools and Academies and the pupils in them
Lincolnshire Schools' Forum – Work Programme	Katrina Cope	To provide the Schools' Forum with an opportunity to discuss potential items for future meetings, which will be subsequently, included on the Work Programme