



**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

**Wellington Suite, Tollbar Conference Centre**

Present: David Hampson (DH) (Chair) Phil Hutchinson (PH)  
 Wendy Jackson (WJ) Trevor Wray (TW)  
 George Krawiec (GKr) David Paice (DP)  
 Jane Aukett (JA) David Kirven (DK)  
 Allie Majer (AM) Alex Allenby (AA)  
 Carol Shaw (CS) Roz Danks (RD)  
 Andy Zielinski (AZ) Jacqui Jennison-Green (JJG)  
 Kim Leach (KL) Kim Stevens (KS)  
 Simon Overall (SO)  
 Lorna Pendred (LP)  
 Liz Jeffrey (LJ)

Apologies: Paul Cordy (PC), Cllr Ros James (RJ), Kevin Gallacher (KG)

		Action
22/16	<b>Introductions and apologies</b> Apologies as above	
23/16	<b>Minutes and matters arising of the meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016</b> Minutes agreed as a true record – GK, JA  <b>Action carried forward: PC agreed to send out information regarding the Peer Review – action completed 03.11.16</b>	PC
24/16	<b>Review of the implementation of the 2016-17 Schools Funding Formula</b> <i>The purpose of this report is to provide members of the Schools Forum with summary information produced by the Education Funding Agency (EFA) on all of the school funding formula's submitted by each Local Authority so they can see how NELC's compares.</i>	

	<p>GK commented that he has concerns over the National Funding Formula (NFF) and that schools need to be further aware of problems that may occur in 2018-19.</p> <p><b><u>Recommendation</u></b> That this report be noted.</p>	
25/16	<p><b>2017-18 Schools Funding Formula Arrangements</b></p> <p><i>The purpose of this report is to provide members of the Schools Forum with information in respect of the 2017-18 Schools Funding arrangements.</i></p> <p>DH commented that the NFF will be a big hit as there will only be one year to adjust. GK suggested putting representation to local MPs to give early warning – it was agreed to wait until all the facts and figures are known.</p> <p><b><u>Recommendations</u></b> That this report be noted.</p> <p>Schools Forum makes comment on the proposed approach. Consultation with schools take place – paper to be taken to Secondary and Primary Heads meetings in November. Schools Forum agree to the re-establishment of a small working party to work with officers to review the 2017-18 Schools funding formula to be adopted to permit this to be submitted as per the deadlines detailed in the report – working party to meet on the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017.</p>	
26/16	<p><b>DFE Consultation Document – An Early Years National Funding Formula – Government Consultation</b></p> <p><i>The above consultation has been launched by Central Government to obtain views of moving towards and implementing a National Funding Formula for EY funding to remove the historic inequities in the current funding methodology and to assist with Central Government’s manifesto pledge of introducing 30 hours free childcare to eligible working families. The closing date for responses is the 22<sup>nd</sup> September and officers are currently working on a response. The consultation document has been made available to EY providers and they are encouraged to respond.</i></p> <p>Further information can be found of the DfE website. A working party will be set up once the government has responded to the responses made to this consultation which may be in November.</p>	

	<p>DH, on behalf of the Forum thanked DK and AA for the continual timely professional and concise information, advice and support they provide to the forum and asked that this be relayed directly to Joanne Hewson and Rob Walsh.</p> <p><b>27/16 Any other business - none</b></p> <p><b>28/16 Date and time of next meeting</b>  <b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 1pm, Tollbar Conference Centre</b></p> <p><b>Proposed Agenda Items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget Settlement</li> <li>• 2017-2018 Schools Funding Formula voting</li> <li>• High Needs Place Return</li> <li>• Dual Roll Funding Decision</li> <li>• Election of Chair</li> </ul>	
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