

# MINUTES OF MEETING

**Meeting title:** Nottinghamshire Schools Forum  
**Date and time:** 23 March 2016, 2pm to 4pm  
**Location:** National Watersports Centre, NG12 2LU

## Membership

*'A' denotes absence*

	Ms A Allcock	Maintained Primary Head Teacher (Bassetlaw)
	Mrs H Atkins	Maintained Primary Head Teacher (Mansfield)
A	Ms H Richardson	Maintained Primary Head Teacher (Newark)
	Ms L Regan	Maintained Primary Head Teacher (Ashfield)
	Ms L Toom	Maintained Primary Head Teacher (Rushcliffe)
	Ms S Bates	Maintained Primary Head Teacher (Broxtowe) – (Vice Chair)
A	Mr R Hawley	Maintained Secondary Head Teacher (sub in attendance)
A	Mr C Weaver	Academy Representative (sub in attendance)
	Mr C Pickering	Academy Representative
	Mr D Vasey	Academy Representative
A	Ms D Trusler	Academy Representative (sub in attendance)
	Mr J McGeachie	Academy Representative
A	Ms D Wigley	Special School Head Teacher
A	Mr A O'Mailey	Academy Special School Head Teacher
A	Mr T Colton	Governor - Maintained Secondary
A	Ms V Holland	Governor - Maintained Primary
A	Ms C Walton	PVI - Early Years Group Member
	Ms K O'Connell	PVI - Early Years Group Member
	Mr C Cuomo	Diocesan Representative - (Chair)
	Ms C Meese	Diocesan Representative
	Ms H Allister	Trades Union Representative
	Mr J Jefferies	Trades Union Representative

## ***In attendance:***

Mr C Pettigrew	Corporate Director, CFCS
Ms M Clay	Acting Service Director – Education Standards & Inclusion
Mr S Hawkins	Finance Business Partner, CFCS Finance
Mrs T Gardner	Assistant Accountant, CFCS Finance

		<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <p>Carlo Cuomo welcomed all members to the meeting, and introductions were made.</p>	
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>Apologises were received from Dawn Wigley, Adrian O'Malley, Tony Colton, Helen Richardson, Ryan Hawley (substitute in attendance Steve Chapman, Craig Weaver (substitute in attendance Michael Davies), Donna Trusler (substitute in attendance Katrina Kerry) and Chris Walton.</p>	
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Item 3a Minutes from Forum 11<sup>th</sup> February 2016</b></p> <p>Carlo Cuomo updated the member's regarding the proposal for an observer from NAHT, Susan Fielden, to attend our next meeting to provide feedback – this was agreed and will be arranged.</p> <p><u>Cost Recovery Mechanism</u></p> <p>Helen Atkins and Carlo Cuomo told the forum of a situation that had developed in the Mansfield area, surrounding a pupil's PX and a partnership dispute. They recognised that the forum was not the right place for dispute resolution and asked what the correct procedure should be.</p> <p>An appeal process was discussed but nothing agreed. It was agreed that the situation was difficult to comment on without knowing the details.</p> <p>It was agreed that the interim SEND update scheduled for June's forum meeting could encapsulate this.</p> <p>Minutes were approved as accurate.</p>	<p><b>CC/SB</b></p> <p><b>MC</b></p>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Item 4a – 2017 National Consultation</b></p> <p>Carlo Cuomo started the discussion around the National Consultation and advised that the local authority would be sending in a response.</p> <p>After a brief discussion it was agreed that a joint response would not be submitted but members would also be sending in their own responses.</p> <p>Sally Bates gave an overview of key dates and stressed the importance of replying to the consultation. It was anticipated that the 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the consultation would probably be published during May along with the Early Years Consultation.</p> <p>Dick Vasey asked if forum members would see the local authority's return. Marion Clay could not see a problem with this, but would check and advise as soon as possible.</p>	<p><b>MC</b></p>

	<p><b>Item 4b – 2017 Local Consultation</b></p> <p>Steve Hawkins explained how the process worked last year and a suggested that the ‘funding’ working group could discuss possible models, which would be bought back to the June meeting and if approved would become part of the 2017-18 consultation. The consultation would be published by NCC in Autumn 2016.</p> <p>Members were aware that we are in a period of transition and this would need to be considered when looking at the local formula.</p> <p>James McGeachie asked if other members would like to be part of the ‘funding’ working group – Sally Bates accepted.</p> <p>Claire Meese arrived.</p>	<b>TG</b>
	<p><b>Item 4c – IDACI</b></p> <p>Carlo Cuomo started the discussion around IDACI and gave a brief background of the situation to date and an overview of the problems caused by pupil’s IDACI bandings changes had caused.</p> <p>Forum members were advised that the formula percentage allocated to the IDACI factor had not changed from 2015-16 and this had been agreed as part of the 2016-17 budget consultation. It was the data set which is pre-populated by the EFA in the APT (Authority Proforma Tool) that had changed from 2015-16.</p> <p>It was established that IDACI is national data set and you could not look at Nottinghamshire in isolation.</p> <p>Claire Meese asked if anything could be done to mitigate the problem. It was explained that the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) gives schools protection to ensure that they can not lose more than 1.5% on their per pupil baseline.</p> <p>As the allocation to IDACI had remained constant there are Schools/ Academies in the authority have gained. We would not be able to re-determine 2016-17 budgets at this point. If we were able to re-determine budgets any money would have to go through the APT and would have to be allocated over all schools.</p> <p>It was stressed this area could be looked at for 2017-18 budgets and as part of the national funding formula.</p>	
	<p><b>Item 4d – Forum Vacancies</b></p> <p>Academy members would like to consider replicating area membership as per the maintained primary members.</p> <p>Primary Academy representation was discussed. It was decided that a process is required to circulate information to all Academies</p> <p>Sally Bates suggested Susan Fielden may address this issue in the future.</p>	

5.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Louise Regan requested some information about facilities funding. Part of the original agreement was to report back to forum members.</p> <p>A report was required indicating which schools had paid into the facility budget, how much of it had been spent and which trade unions and schools this has been allocated to.</p>	<b>NCC</b>		
6.	<p><b>Confidentiality</b></p> <p>It was confirmed that there was no confidentiality items.</p>			
7.	<p><b>Date and time of next meeting(s)</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="167 757 1284 833"> <tr> <td data-bbox="167 757 555 833">Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2016</td> <td data-bbox="555 757 1284 833">2-4pm National Watersports Centre</td> </tr> </table>	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	2-4pm National Watersports Centre	
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