

Nottinghamshire Schools impact of new IDACI Bands for 2017-2018

Nottinghamshire uses data relating to Free School Meals Ever 6 (FSM6) and Income Deprivation Affecting Children Index (IDACI) to allocate the deprivation factor.

The IDACI dataset is updated every five years by the Department for Communities and Local Government. The most recent update to the dataset, which took effect in local authorities' 2016 to 2017 Schools Block Dataset showed a markedly different distribution to the previous 2010 dataset which caused significant variation in many schools' allocations.

The Education Funding Agency (EFA) recognised that the 2015 data update created unexpected turbulence in budgets and after considering the concerns raised by local authorities and views expressed through the first stage national funding formula consultation, the EFA have decided to update the IDACI banding methodology to return the IDACI bands to a roughly similar size (in terms of the proportion of pupils in each band) as in 2015 to 2016.

The modelling attached is the impact of this change to the IDACI data on Nottinghamshire schools. **Please note that this is not comparing like with like, the budgets have moved on a year therefore a school with no change in the deprivation factor but in receipt of minimum funding guarantee (MFG) in 2016-17 would still see a reduction. The MFG reduces year on year at the current rate of -1.5%.**

There are two worksheets within the spreadsheet:-

- Appendix A, total budget worksheet – this shows the total budget allocation including any MFG but excluding rates and de-delegated amounts.
- Appendix B, individual factors worksheet – shows the movement in allocation by factor and demonstrates how the 'difference on 2016-17 budget' from appendix A has been calculated.