

Meeting title: Nottinghamshire Schools Forum – Extra ordinary
Date and time: 14th January 2021, 2pm to 4pm
Location: Virtual – Windows Teams

Membership

'A' denotes absence

A	Mr A Rossington	Maintained Primary Head Teacher
	Mr B Waldram	Maintained Primary Head Teacher
	Mrs H Atkins	Maintained Primary Head Teacher - (Vice Chair)
A	Ms L Corner-Brown	Maintained Primary Head Teacher
	Mr D Phillips	Maintained Secondary Head Teacher
	Mr A Seymour	Academy Representative
	Ms A Hall	Academy Representative
	Dr P Smith	Academy Representative
A	Mrs H Angus	Academy Representative
	Mr J MacDonald	Academy Representative - (Chair)
	Mr N Holmes	Academy Representative
	Mr M Rooney	Special School Head Teacher
	Ms P Corfield	Academy Special School Head Teacher
A	Mr C Barnard	Governor Maintained Primary
	Ms F Jones	Governor Maintained Primary
	Ms L Gapski	PVI - Early Years Group Member
	Mrs K Richards	PVI - Early Years Group Member
A	Ms L Knott	14-19 Partnership Representative
	Mr Nigel Frith	Church of England Representative
	Mr J Jefferies	Trades Union Representative
	Ms L Maddison	Trades Union Representative

In attendance:

Mr C Pettigrew	Corporate Director Children Families & Cultural Services
Mr K Palframan	Group Manager Finance Strategy and Compliance
Mrs M Clay	Service Director Education, Learning and Skills
Mr L Jones	Service Director Children Families & Cultural Services
Mrs I Kakoullis	Group Manager Children and Families
Mr M Needham	Finance Business Partner, Children and Families Finance
Mrs S Summerscales	Senior Finance Business Partner, Children & Families Finance
Mrs T Gardner (Clerk)	Assistant Accountant, Children and Families Finance

1.	<p>Welcome</p> <p>James Macdonald welcomed all members to the forums extra ordinary virtual meeting on Microsoft Teams to review and vote on the Early Years formula for 2021-22</p>	
	<p>Apologies</p> <p>Apologies were received from Andrew Rossington, Lynn Corner-Brown, Halina Angus, Colin Barnard and Louise Knott.</p>	
2.	<p>Early Years Local Funding Formula 2021-22</p> <p>Sue Summerscales presented the paper and updated the members of the early years funding announcement by the Department for Education where it was announced that there would be an 8p increase in hourly rate for 2 year olds and a 6p increase in the hourly rate for 3 and 4 year olds. Members were informed that the local authority would be passing over 100% of this increase to the sector.</p> <p><u>Vote for the Early year's formula</u></p> <p>1. It is proposed that the basic hourly rate for 2 year olds is increased by 8p from £5.31 to £5.39</p> <p>Forum members agreed unanimously</p> <p>2. It is proposed that the basic hourly rate for 3 and 4 year olds is reduced by 4p (6p increase minus the temporary 10p) from £4.35 to £4.31.</p> <p>Forum members agreed unanimously</p> <p>Karen Richards commented that she agreed but in recognition that this is in effect a reduction in hourly rate and that the sector is still considerably underfunded and concerned about nursery provision that have had to close. Other members agreed that the sector is underfunded with a comment made that it is underfunded but that it is a national issue that can't be resolved at local level.</p>	<p>ACTION</p>
	<p>Any other business</p> <p>James Macdonald informed members that following feedback from the ESFA regards the possibility of changing our forum title, if all members agreed the recommendation was to change the title to "Early years & schools forum".</p> <p>Members agreed with this change and Karen Richards said the name change is very much welcomed by the sector.</p> <p>The website and future correspondence would be updated with this title change</p> <p>Sue Summerscales updated forum members regarding the 2021-22 school budgets for Nottinghamshire. Although still in the process of constructing the budgets and checking the data it looks like we will be able to cover the increase in FSM's without re-introducing a gains cap and hopefully be able to mirror the National Funding Formula (NFF).</p>	<p>TG</p>
3.	<p>Confidentiality</p> <p>No item marked confidential</p>	

4. Date and time of next meeting							
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