REPORT TO SCHOOLS FORUM



6 July 2017

TITLE OF REPORT: Dedicated Schools Grant Revenue Outturn 2016/17

Purpose of the Report

1. To bring to Schools Forum attention information on the outturn position of Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) for 2016/17.

Background

- 2. The DSG is made up of three main funding blocks:
 - 1. The Early Years block for 2 and 3 & 4 year old funding
 - 2. **Mainstream Schools** block which includes some centrally held and dedelegated funding
 - 3. High Needs Block which includes special schools and PRU funding
- 3. Schools Forum receives details of DSG revenue monitoring throughout the financial year, with the format presented based on the expenditure headings of section 251.
- 4. The final outturn report for 2016/17 is included at appendix 1. This shows an outturn of £97.260m against the budget of £96.953m, resulting in an over spend of £0.306m.
- The over spend of £0.306m is offset by £0.117m additional Early Years settlement (based on updated census information) for 2015/16 received in 2016/17, to give a total of £0.190m to be appropriated from the DSG reserve, as agreed by Schools Forum in March 2017.
- This £0.190m is deducted from the current balance brought forward from 2015/16 of £3.357m to give a balance to be carried forward to 2017/18 of £3.167m. A summary of the movement in reserves is included in appendix 2.

Proposal

7. That Schools Forum notes the content of the report.

Recommendations

That Schools Forum:-

• Note the contents of the report

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Appendix 1

2016/17 DSG Outturn Qtr 4

DSG Area	Total Approved Budget	Outturn	Variance	Comments/Notes
	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Maintained Schools Budget Share	75,035	74,613	-422	Early Years Actual Provision
DEDELEGATION				
Contingencies	0	0	0	
Behaviour support services	169	166	-3	
Support to UPEG and bilingual learners	208	208	0	
Free school meals eligibility	0	0	0	
Insurance	0	0	0	
Museum and Library services	0	0	0	
Licences/subscriptions	0	0	0	
Staff costs – supply cover	188	187	-1	
HIGH NEEDS BUDGET (inc Special Schools, PRU and Additional Support Top-ups	14,773	15,225	452	Top-ups/ placements (PRU +£0.3m, Special Schools/ ARMS £+0.3m and Mainstream +£0.2m) Staff Slippage -£0.3m
EARLY YEARS BUDGET				
2,3 and 4 year old funding to PVI's	5,133	5,551	418	+£183k 3/4 year old, +£243k 2 year old, offset by schools underspend above
CENTRAL PROVISION WITHIN SCHOOLS BUDGET				
Contribution to combined budgets	440	439	-0	
School admissions	122	122	0	
Servicing of schools forums	105	105	0	
Termination of employment costs	527	481	-46	Schools Redundancy and Retirement Costs
Falling Rolls Fund	0	0	0	
Capital expenditure from revenue (CERA)	0	0	0	
Prudential borrowing costs	0	0	0	
Fees to independent schools without SEN	0	0	0	
Equal pay - back pay	0	0	0	
Pupil growth/ Infant class sizes	100	35	-65	carried forward to 17/18
SEN transport	0	0	0	
Exceptions agreed by Secretary of State	0	0	0	
Other Items	154	128	-26	CLA/ MPA Licences top sliced from DSG for all school licences
TOTAL DSG	96,953	97,260	306	

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Appendix 2

Movement in DSG reserves 2016/17

	£m
Reserves brought forward from 2015/16	-3.357
Appropriation from reserves 2016/17	+0.190
Reserves carried forward to 2017/18	-3.167