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TITLE OF REPORT: Schools Balances 2019/20

Purpose of the Report

To update the Schools Forum on the movement of school balances for the financial year 2019/20, and the number of schools in a deficit position at the end of the financial year.

Background

As part of the Council's responsibilities for the management and the good financial practice of maintained schools, the balances held by each individual school, the movement, (increase or decrease in balances) and the number of schools with a deficit balance for the financial year will be brought to the attention of Schools Forum to note.

This information is also reported to the Strategic Director, Resources and Digital and the Service Director, Education Schools and Inclusion.

Balances

At the 31 March 2019 maintained schools held total revenue balances of £6.527m and six schools had a deficit balance amounting to £0.456m.

At the 31 March 2020 maintained school balances decreased by £1.050m to £5.477m.

Twelve schools were in a deficit position at the end of 2019/20 totalling £1.172m. The Council will continue to work with the schools and are working on a new deficit recovery procedure.

These balances consist of all revenue funding streams including schools individual budgets, government grants and any income received by the school.

The detail of the individual balances and the in-year movement is contained in appendix 1.

It should be noted that the balances include the provision for the possible increased costs for term time only non-teaching staff as brought to Schools Forum in May 2020.

Proposal

That Schools Forum notes:

- Schools balances have decreased from £6.527 m at 31 March 2019 to £5.477m at 31 March 2020, a decrease of £1.050m.
- The number of schools with a deficit balance has increased by six to twelve.

- There has been an increase in the value of the total deficits held by schools by £0.456m to £1.172m.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Schools Forum notes: -

- The value of maintained school balances and the in-year decrease of balances by £1.172m to the year-end value of £5.477m.
- The number of schools with a deficit balance at the end of 2019/20.
- The increase in the value of deficit balances at the end of 2019/20.

For the following reason(s):

- To ensure that the year-end financial position is brought to the attention of Schools Forum.

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Appendix 1

Balance Sheet Account (t)	Opening Balance	Appropriations	Closing Balance
Barley Mow Primary	6,411.79	(13,941.02)	(7,529.23)
Bede Primary	(183,027.65)	105,630.74	(77,396.91)
Bensham Grove Nursery School	(17,477.37)	15,204.36	(2,273.01)
Bill Quay Primary	32,359.80	14,656.13	47,015.93
Birtley East Primary	(135,101.48)	74,435.91	(60,665.57)
Blaydon West Primary	(130,272.11)	(3,784.96)	(134,057.07)
Brandling Primary	(279,001.73)	(280.06)	(279,281.79)
Brighton Avenue Primary	(60,857.15)	47,483.07	(13,374.08)
Caedmon Primary	(138,985.17)	(8,642.53)	(147,627.70)
Carr Hill Primary	(253,196.18)	2,697.42	(250,498.76)
Chopwell Primary	(222,195.26)	59,514.97	(162,680.29)
Clover Hill School	(104,657.20)	(32,457.26)	(137,114.46)
Colegate School	(20,161.07)	88,873.04	68,711.97
Corpus Christi RCP	(216,778.67)	16,901.27	(199,877.40)
Crookhill School	(13,048.92)	2,957.31	(10,091.61)
Dryden School	30,517.10	87,189.46	117,706.56
Dunston Hill School	(85,207.22)	15,067.59	(70,139.63)
Emmaville Primary	(90,188.13)	11,164.31	(79,023.82)
Eslington School	(35,188.66)	145,832.94	110,644.28
Falla Park School	(125,697.65)	54,884.47	(70,813.18)
Fell Dyke School	(225,302.37)	45,154.80	(180,147.57)
Fellside School	(25,491.09)	(16,356.24)	(41,847.33)
Front Street School	(137,383.02)	(39,911.81)	(177,294.83)
Furrowfield School	(85,229.67)	(45,106.12)	(130,335.79)
Gibside School	(677,769.74)	(98,855.18)	(776,624.92)
Glynwood School	(181,027.82)	59,546.23	(121,481.59)
Greenside Primary	(56,784.03)	51,697.35	(5,086.68)
Harlow Green Primary School	(311,934.18)	87,731.69	(224,202.49)
High Spen Primary	(87,040.05)	45,130.47	(41,909.58)
Highfield Com Primary School	(24,464.26)	(49,484.07)	(73,948.33)
Hill Top School	(48,517.69)	217,845.25	169,327.56
Kells Lane Primary	(18,867.47)	(63,865.99)	(82,733.46)
Kelvin Grove School	(63,920.85)	(96,058.24)	(159,979.09)
Kingsmeadow School	(178,682.26)	(547,054.18)	(725,736.44)
Larkspur School	(123,846.29)	42,836.40	(81,009.89)
Lingey House Primary	(200,327.37)	(21,519.91)	(221,847.28)
Lobley Hill Primary	(29,007.26)	(21,453.56)	(50,460.82)
Oakfield Infant School	(58,477.22)	22,162.65	(36,314.57)
Oakfield Junior School	(79,196.54)	7,096.01	(72,100.53)
Parkhead School	(99,341.00)	18,614.49	(80,726.51)
Portobello Primary	(42,497.13)	(11,222.22)	(53,719.35)
Ravensworth Terrace Primary	138,554.64	(26,073.11)	112,481.53
Roman Road Primary	(117,142.23)	3,335.76	(113,806.47)
Rowlands Gill Primary School	137,902.97	136,921.72	274,824.69
Ryton Community Infant School	(62,800.67)	96,871.25	34,070.58
Ryton Community Junior School	(41,178.63)	62,947.55	21,768.92

South Street School	(5,988.96)	2,323.02	(3,665.94)
St Agnes RCP	(50,597.35)	30,272.93	(20,324.42)
St Aidans Primary	(96,318.87)	37,830.06	(58,488.81)
St Albans RCP	(31,954.93)	6,249.95	(25,704.98)
St Annes RCP	(72,779.87)	75,488.67	2,708.80
St Augustines RCP	(119,711.64)	(60,821.24)	(180,532.88)
St Josephs Catholic Inf Birtley	(103,263.45)	22,607.60	(80,655.85)
St Josephs Catholic Jnr Birtley	(94,309.42)	(1,850.01)	(96,159.43)
St Josephs RCP Blaydon	(66,818.12)	7,557.65	(59,260.47)
St Josephs RCP Gateshead	(139,242.27)	82,388.00	(56,854.27)
St Josephs RCP Highfield	(71,788.01)	(6,372.85)	(78,160.86)
St Mary and StThomas RCP	(41,609.74)	(3,755.42)	(45,365.16)
St Marys RCP	(42,581.54)	4,416.06	(38,165.48)
St Oswalds RCP	(134,947.60)	(31,795.10)	(166,742.70)
St Peters RCP	(39,400.75)	(17,776.59)	(57,177.34)
St Philip Neri RCP	(61,450.89)	36,939.37	(24,511.52)
St Wilfrids RCP	(27,224.24)	16,136.28	(11,087.96)
Swalwell Primary	(97,165.84)	(22,798.10)	(119,963.94)
The Drive School	(53,781.49)	42,590.79	(11,190.70)
Wardley Primary	(169,521.87)	56,397.30	(113,124.57)
Washingwell Primary	(34,968.61)	29,880.04	(5,088.57)
Whickham Parochial	(25,413.03)	53,282.90	27,869.87
White Mere School	110,460.74	74,346.64	184,807.38
Windy Nook Primary	(137,019.21)	16,111.40	(120,907.81)
Winlaton West Lane Primary	(178,229.83)	56,115.12	(122,114.71)
	(6,527,150.95)	1,050,082.62	(5,477,068.33)

School Deficits

456,207.04

1,171,938.07