

GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

GATESHEAD SCHOOLS FORUM MEETING

Thursday, 16 September 2021

PRESENT:

Peter Largue (Chair)	Trade Union Representative
Jacqui Ridley	Primary Governors
Brendan Robson	Secondary Faith Academies
Paul Harris	Primary Maintained Schools
Denise Kilner	Nursery Sector Representative
Elaine White	Diocese Representatives
Julie Goodfellow	Primary Academy Headteachers
Steve Haigh	Secondary Academy Headteachers
Ethel Mills	PVI Sector Representative
Andrew Ramanandi	Primary Headteachers
Domenic Volpe	Maintained Secondary Headteachers
Clive Wisby	Primary Headteachers
Councillor Sheila Gallagher	Elected Member
Sarah Diggle	Secondary Maintained Governors

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllr Gary Haley	Gateshead Council
Carole Smith	Gateshead Council
Terence Appleby	Gateshead Council
Anthony Ward	Gateshead Council
Rosalyn Patterson	Gateshead Council

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Mustafaa Malik, Christina Jones, Alison Hall and David Brophy.

2 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 19 July 2021 were agreed as a correct record.

3 ELECTION OF CHAIR

- RESOLVED -
- (i) That Peter Largue be elected as Chair of the Schools Forum.
 - (ii) That Sarah Diggle be elected as Vice Chair of the Schools Forum.

4 SCHOOL FUNDING CONSULTATION

The Forum received the DfE consultation on the move to a hard national funding formula (NFF) for mainstream schools and the LA's draft response.

School Forum was asked for its views on submitting the draft response on behalf of the Forum.

There were differing views from particular sectors and specifically it was felt that more feedback should be included in terms of deprivation inequalities.

It was therefore suggested that schools be asked to respond individually and that Cllr Haley, Domenic Volpe and Sarah Diggle would come up with a response regarding equality to be circulated to schools with the consultation.

RESOLVED - That Schools Forum ask all schools to respond individually to the consultation.

5 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 30 September 2021 at 2pm.