

NOTICE OF MEETING

Haringey Schools Forum

THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 2023 AT 4.00 pm HRS - VIRTUAL VIA TEAMS.

1. CHAIR'S WELCOME

2. APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS, AND OBSERVERS

Apologies Received:

Paul Murphy (Headteacher: Lancasterian Primary School).

Kurt Hintz (14-19 Partnership)

Stephen McNicholas (Headteacher: St John Vianney)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations are only required where an individual member of the Forum has a pecuniary interest in an item on the agenda.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 12 OCTOBER 2023 (PAGES 1 - 22)

Matters arising

5. FORUM MEMBERSHIP

To review the membership of the Schools Forum, noting any changes since the previous meeting.

Bola Soneye-Thomas (Headteacher: Rokesly Junior School) – new primary Headteacher school member.

Luke Renwick (Headteacher: Brook House) - long term primary academies substitute rep for Simon Knowles (LDBS Academies Trust).

6. UPDATE FROM WORKING PARTIES (PAGES 23 - 26)

To receive an update from the working parties not covered within the agenda.

To receive the minutes from the Early Years working party.
To receive the minutes from the High Needs working party
To receive an update from the School's Block working party.

**7. SCHOOLS BLOCK FUNDING FORMULA CONSULTATION 2024-25
(PAGES 27 - 40)**

To receive an overview of the 2024/25 consultation from Patricia Harvey/Neil Sinclair.

8. SAFETY VALVE PROGRAMME UPDATE (PAGES 41 - 52)

Safety Valve Update from Mary Jarrett/ Jackie Difolco.

9. SCHOOLS IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY

To receive a verbal update from Patricia Harvey/Neil Sinclair.
To note a written report to be received at the February meeting.

10. MEETING DATES FOR 2023-2024

Thursday 11 January 2024 4PM.
Thursday 8 February 2024 4PM.
Thursday 4 July 2024 4PM.

11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS



MINUTES OF HARINGEY'S SCHOOLS FORUM MEETING THURSDAY 9 JULY 2023 AT 4PM

AT HEP:Inderwick Road, Crouch End N8

Attendance:

School Members		
Headteachers		
Special (1)	Martin Doyle (Riverside)	
Nursery Schools (1)	(A)Sian McDermott	
Primary (7)	(A) Mary Gardiner (West Green)	(A)Julie D'Abreu (Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary)
	(A)Stephen McNicholas (St John Vianney)	Paul Murphy (Lancasterian)
	Ian Scotchbrook (South Haringay)	(A)Linda Sarr (Risley Avenue)
	Will Wawn (Bounds Green) [Chair]	
Secondary (2)	Jo Davey (Fortismere)	Vacancy
Primary Academy (1)	(A)Simon Knowles (LDBS Academies Trust)	
Secondary Academies (3)	Michael McKenzie (Alexandra Park)	(A)Angela Wallace (Woodside High)
	Vacancy	
Alternative Provision (1)	Gerry Robinson (Executive Headteacher HLP)	
Governors		
Special (1)	Phil Di Leo (The Vale)	
Nursery School (1)	Melian Mansfield (Pembury)	
Primary Maintained (7)	John Keever (Seven Sisters)	(A)Dan Salem (Muswell Hill Primary)
	(A)Andrew Willett (Willow Primary)	(A) Alex MacAskill (West Green Primary)
	Helen Froggatt (St Aidan's Primary)	(A)Jenny Thomas (Lordship Lane)
	Vacancy	
Secondary Maintained (3)	Laurence Penn (Highgate Wood)	Vacancy
	Sylvia Dobie (Park View)	
Primary Academy (1)	Vacancy	
Secondary Academies (3)	Andrea Henry (Greig City Academy)	Vacancy
	Vacancy	
Alternative Provision (1)	Laura Butterfield (HLP) [Vice Chair]	
Non-School Members		
Non-Executive Councillor	Cllr Ibrahim Ali	
Trade Union Representative	(A)Paul Renny	
Professional Association Representative	(A)Ed Harlow	
Faith Schools	(A)Geraldine Gallagher	
14-19 Partnership	(A)Kurt Hintz	
Early Years Providers	Susan Tudor-Hart	

Observers	
None	
Cabinet Member for CYPs	
Cllr Zena Brabazon	
Also Attending	
Assistant Director, Schools & Learning	Jane Edwards
Assistant Director, Commissioning & Programmes	Caroline Brain (virtual)
Assistant Director, Early Help, Prevention & SEND	Jackie Difolco
Head of Schools HR	Chidi Okwesilieze
Head of Schools Finance	Neil Sinclair
Senior Finance Manager - Schools	Patricia Harvey
Senior Manager at Mazars	Vanessa Bateman
Principal advisor for Early Years	Nick Hewlett
Alternative Provision & SAFE Taskforce Commissioning Lead	Ginny Thorne
Chief Executive HEP	James Page
Lead for Governor Services (HEP)	Anne Etchells
Clerk (HEP)	Corinne David

(A) Absent

1. CHAIR'S WELCOME

1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS

2.1 The Clerk confirmed that apologies for absence had been received from:

- Kurt Hintz (14-19 partnership)
- Julie D'Abreu (DHNPS Headteacher)
- Mary Gardiner (West Green Headteacher)
- Stephen McNicholas (St John Vianney Headteacher)
- Sian McDermott (Nursery school Headteacher)
- Linda Sarr (Risley Avenue Headteacher)
- Dan Salem (Muswell Hill Primary Governor)
- Andrew Willett (Williow Primary Governor)
- Ann Graham (LBH Director of Education)

2.2 The Clerk confirmed that there were one substitution Bola Soneye-Thomas (Rokesly Junior School Headteacher) for Mary Gardiner (West Green Headteacher).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 The following declarations of interest in regards to the agenda were made:

- Item 5: Will Wawn (Bounds Green Headteacher)
- Item 9: Gerry Robinson (Executive Headteacher HLP), Laura Butterfield (Governor HLP), John Keever (Governor Seven Sisters) and Melian Mansfield (Governor Seven Sisters). [Seven Sisters School is the current location of the primary nurture hub]

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 9 FEBRUARY 2023 AND 8 MARCH 2023 taken as item 7

4.1 The minutes of the School's Forum meeting held on 9 February 2023 were **AGREED** and **RATIFIED** as a correct record, subject to the following point of accuracy:

- The correct spelling of Jane Edwards name.
- The correct surname for Helen Froggatt.
- The correct spelling of Brian Smith.
- Item 12.10 PVU should read PVI.

4.2 Matters arising

4.2.1 Item 4.2.2 Vacancies on the School's Forum membership

a) All members to continue recruitment through all avenues to appoint to vacant positions.

b) Will Wawn to follow up with Secondary Academies to try and recruit to vacancies.

c) For each block that had vacancies, elections to take place to select members to the Forum.

d) HEP to continue to email all Governors regarding Governor vacancies on Schools Forum. Governor Forum members to make request for members at relevant Chairs and Governor meetings.

4.2.2 Item 4.2.2 Impact of the Safety Valve (SV) programme on Post 16 young people

Meeting between Kurt Hintz and Jackie Difolco had taken place. regular meetings have been scheduled to review this as part of the SV programme.

4.2.3 Item 4.2.3 FSM by Super output areas

Jane Edwards informed the Forum, that there was a clear plan promote and increase the take up of FSM, in regards to the Mayor of London's decision to fund FSM for all primary age children. The communication team have launched a campaign regarding the additional funding schools receive from pupils eligible for Pupil Premium. The LA is trying to centralise key information to allow for cross checking of information.

4.2.4 Item 4.2.4 Impact of LTNs on schools

Agenda item – see item 14.

4.2.5 Item 8 Dedicated Schools Block

Agenda item – see item 8.

4.2.6 EY deprivation funding

Meeting with Officers and School Forum members occurred before the extra ordinary meeting held on 8 March 2023.

4.2.7 AP paper for July SF meeting

Agenda item - see item 9.

4.3 The minutes of the School's Forum meeting held on 8 March 2023 were **AGREED** and **RATIFIED** as a correct record, subject to the following point of accuracy:

- The correct spelling of Jane Edwards name.
- Item 4.5 change the word application to calculation.
- Item 4.12 change the word draft to drafted.

4.4 Matters arising

4.4.1 Item 4.12a Communication with settings

There had been a range of communication by the LA with settings regarding the funding changes.

4.4.2 Item 4.12b Impact assessment for PVI within EY sector

Nick Hewlett informed the Forum that to undertake an impact assessment would require financial information from every setting in the borough; not all PVIs will provide that information. Noted that the LA were not aware of any settings that had closed yet; however, the impact of the new funding levels may not be felt until quarter 2. The Chair noted that there is ongoing dialogue with the LA continuing to monitor the

situation. Members discussed way to capture the current situation and impact within the EY sector: including a survey and qualitative feedback.

ACTION a) EY working party to continue with proactive communication with all PVI settings.

b) EY working party to explore the best options to obtain reliable information regarding the impact on the sector of the new funding levels.

c) Early years funding update to be an item on Schools Forum work plan.

- 4.4.3 Item 4.12c Early Years working group to hold a further meeting before the end of term to review how the receipt of the new funding formula and allocations have been received.

Further meetings have been held, with the minutes received at this meeting.

- 4.4.4 Item 4.12d The LA to be proactive and inform the Early Years Working group in any under/overspend as soon as it identified.

Item on going.

5 ELECTION OF THE CHAIR taken as item 4

- 5.1 Will Wawn invited Laura Butterfield to Chair the item. Will Wawn then invited Ann Etchells and Patricia Harvey to present the paper titled 'Schools Forum Membership'. Noted that the current Chair would be concluding their Headship at Bounds Green Schools at the end of the academic year. The current Chair of Schools Forum had been an asset for the efficient and effective operation of Schools Forum and had advised the Local Authority of his continued interest and support in the position; if no other member notifies the clerk of their wishes to be nominated as Chair.

- 5.2 The Local Authority made direct contact with the Department of Education (DfE) to confirm if the re-appointment would be acceptable in accordance with Schools Forum Regulations 2012. The DfE response reference CI-0197756 dated 25th April 2023, stated ..., this is permissible if members agree..., of the renewal of the existing Chair to be reappointed as Chair of Schools Forum for another term of office for 12 months.

- 5.3 Recommendation that Schools Forum approve; if there were no other interested parties, to the reinstatement of the current Chair for another term of office.

Will Wawn leaves the meeting to allow discussion on the proposal.

- 5.4 Members enquired if there was a precedent for any Schools Forums' having an independent Chair. Noted that this was a unique situation, however, as this was part of succession planning, the current work situation and confirmation from the DfE; then the option was available for members to make a determination on. Jane Edwards noted that she had been aware of another LA that had a non-school member as chair.

- 5.5 Members noted that for continuity with the Forum work stream and with the LA in order to allow for succession planning, the option to allow Will Wawn to continue as Chair for a further academic year was a sensible solution.

- 5.6 Laura Butterfield invited members to either nominate themselves or another member to be Chair for the next academic year. *No nominations were received.*

- 5.7 Laura Butterfield invited members to vote on the following proposal:

Approve the reappointment of existing Chair [Will Wawn] for another term of office with effect from the new school year.

All members voted in favour of re-electing Will Wawn for a further term of office as Chair of Haringey's Schools Forum.

Will Wawn was invited back into the meeting and took over as Chair.

6 ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIR taken as item 5

- 6.1 Will Wawn invited nominations for Vice Chair for the 2023/2024 academic year. Laura Butterfield was nominated by Will Wawn and seconded by Laurence Penn. No other nominations were received.

All members voted in favour of re-electing Laura Butterfield for a further term of office as Vice-Chair of Haringey's Schools Forum.

7 FORUM MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE taken as item 6.

- 7.1 Anne Etchells took the Forum through the paper titled 'Schools Forum Membership and Terms of Reference' and noted that the January 2023 census had been used to inform the number of places within each membership category as detailed within table 1, from the report.

- 7.2 Noted with Will Wawn becoming a non-school's member; the composition of the category would need to increase to 7 to accommodate this.

AGREED **Members approved the allocation of Schools Forum places based on the proportion of pupil places in schools at the January 2023 Census and the increase of the non-school members to 7.**

ACTION The Schools Forum membership required updating to reflect a composition of 7 non-school members [AE].

- 7.3 Noted that the Terms of Reference required updating to reflect that the nominating organisation for all governors was amended to Governor Services. Furthermore, it was noted that the chair wouldn't have a casting vote.

AGREED **members approved the Terms of Reference, with the amendments noted in 7.3**

- 7.4 The Forum discussed the membership and representation within the Special schools/education sector in regards to the Safety Valve Programme (SV) and increase in provision.

ACTION High Needs Working party to review the membership representation from within the special needs sector.

8 UPDATE FROM WORKING PARTIES

8.1 Early Years Working Party

Members noted receipt of the minutes from 14 June 2023 and the terms of reference. Melian Mansfield provided an overview of the meeting. Melian Mansfield sought further Headteacher representation on the working party.

ACTION Will Wawn to extend the invitation to join the EY Working Party all Haringey Headteachers.

8.2 High Needs Working Party.

Members noted receipt of the minutes from 21 June 2023. Martin Doyle provided an overview of the meeting. The group are reviewing the current terms of reference alongside other LA's that are also within the DfE SV programme; with a view of drafting a new Terms of Reference relevant to the current SEND landscape and scope.

- 8.3 Dedicated School Block Working Party.
No meeting have taken place since the last meeting.

9 AP COMMISSIONING AND HLP FUNDING

- 9.1 Caroline Brain took the forum through the Alternative Provision Commissioning and HLP funding Power Point and paper. The following was noted:
- The review of Alternative Provisions (AP) is one of 20 Projects contained within the SV Programme.
 - AP services were overspent by £628k for the financial year 2022 -23.
 - 138 children were currently accessing AP provision.
 - Exclusions remain low in Haringey (0.01%) in line with other inner London Boroughs.
 - The current expenditure is outstripping the cost base for APs in Haringey.
 - HLP deliver a broad umbrella of services as part of their service offer. HLP was contracted to support 130 places for AP.
 - HLP is registered to have 30 pupils with EHCP's; currently there are 39 pupils with EHCPs with 15 awaiting assessments: not including dual roll pupils.
 - A overview of Tuition in the Community, Simmons House, HLP Commissioned Placements & vacancies and other AP support was provided.
 - The Nurture Hub at Seven Sisters Primary School was established as a pilot in February 2021.
 - Factoring in pupil numbers, the cost per pupil shows that on budget lines that Haringey has the 4th Highest AP costs.
- 9.2 The AP review provided 3 recommendations. These were noted as:
- 1) To undertake an "in year" financial review of spend profiles to compartmentalise AP spend to understand what core delivery is and what is additional service delivery
 - 2) To implement new Service Level Agreement with HLP.
 - 3) To develop a new SEND & AP Sufficiency Strategy for the next three years 2023 -2026
- 9.3 A new Service Level Agreement is in the process of being agreed with HLP, focusing on core services which includes:
- Placements/Outreach
 - Tuition in the Community
 - Simmons House
- 9.4 The number of commissioned services will be reviewed on an annual basis and may be reduced or increased dependant on need. When a child is placed with HLP, the referring school will transfer all the income received for the pupil [AWPU/high needs /PP] to HLP, which will be overseen by the LA; with the exception of time limited Turnaround, Respite placements for which the service will invoice the schools directly. The Nurture Hub at Seven Sisters will continue until September 2024 when it is anticipated the new Primary Resource Provisions will be operational. The contract with Haringey Sixth Form will end in August 2023. Discussions are taking place to identify requirements to inform future pathways and decisions relating to this cohort.
- 9.5 Members noted that HLP was established to support, motivate and inspire the most vulnerable children within the borough to be as successful as possible in the future. Members further noted that previous concerns regarding a lack of a formal budget and oversight & scrutiny had been raised on numerous occasions with previous council officers; with no response. Noted that there had not been a previous SLA or budget from the Octagon [PRU]. The Forum debated the minutiae that HLP was never provided with a defined budget or SLA; thus, the management committee had not overspent. The LA stated that the AP budget within the High needs and care budget was over spent. Noted that the LA had received significant challenge from the DfE, regarding the AP overspend.

- 9.6 Members noted that the current exclusions levels in Haringey were low due to the work of schools recognising the social and emotional impact of Covid on pupils, thus trying all available avenues to provide additional support and also due to the intensive and high-quality work undertaken by HLP. Noted that the autumn term exclusion figures would be lower than spring and summer terms. Members urged the LA to review exclusion trends over a year period.
- 9.7 Members noted that the HLP Management Committee had received and reviewed the new SLA. Officers stated that the HLP SLA was clear that commissioned places (58) were fully funded throughout the year, to allow for flexibility and outreach work; funding Benchmarking against other AP offers had taken place. The core budget hadn't been reduced. Noted that pupils had been placed within HLP and would receive their educational entitlement from HLP; a funding envelop had been identified to provide for those pupils.
- 9.8 Members emphasised the importance of AP provision being pupil outcome led; where HLP had evidence of a high success rates for the pupils the service worked with. Members highlighted the potential impact funding cuts would have on the boroughs most vulnerable children; where HLP would have to cut core services to pay back the £628k, over a three-year period. Noted that HLP will have to make staff redundancies and other cuts. Secondary Headteachers informed the Forum that HLP was a key service used by all secondary schools and sought reassurances that the quality provision would not be affected by the requirement to pay back the £628k. Member requested a risk assessment was undertaken to allow for a wider understanding of how the current offer would be impacted, changed or cut.
- ACTION** A risk assessment is undertaken to allow for a wider understanding of how the current HLP offer would be impacted, changed or cut.
- 9.9 Members discussed the current imbalance of primary and secondary places. Officers noted that within the SV programme there was a work stream to develop 118 primary places in primary resource provisions located in different areas across Haringey.
- 9.10 Members urged officers to review the potential cost benefits of funding and commissioning places and outreach services at HLP against the requirement to commission out borough provision.
- 9.11 Jane Edwards reminded members that the complete body of work for AP sits within the SV programme. The SV funding would be at risk if the High Needs Block overspend isn't reduced within 5-year programme. There were no additional funding streams to support AP.
- 9.12 The Forum discussed the options being developed for ESOL classes. Noted that there had been discussions at IYFAP regarding the increasing numbers of, and what the best provision for, Year 11 that were new to Haringey with no English was. The LA was working in collaboration with partners reviewing all options.
- 9.13 Noted that the Model for Change Board would resume meetings in the new academic year with Jane Edwards as Chair.
- ACTION** A further report on AP to be brought back to the October meeting.
- 9.14 See appendix A for pre-submitted questions and answers.

10 SAFETY VALVE PROGRAMME UPDATE

- 10.1 Jackie Difolco took the Forum through the SV power point and disapplication request for inflationary top ups for Special Schools paper. In March 2023 Haringey's SV Programme's had formally been approved by the DfE. The programme had a portfolio of 18 projects which would reduce costs by £47.9m over five years. Haringey's SV Programme is forecast to achieve a balanced budget in 2027-2028. The funding is subject to full compliance of Haringey eliminating the cumulative deficit no later than 2027-28. The powerpoint provided an update on the 18 projects.
- 10.2 As part of the SV agreement Haringey Council agreed a freeze in Special School top-ups for the duration of the programme and undertake a systematic review of all HNB top-up funding.
- 10.3 The Forum discussed the conditions on continued funding for the programme by the DfE. Noted that there are terms and conditions attached to the funding. Noted that if the LA continued projected expenditure with no changes (based on 10% growth in demand and complexity of need), projections indicated a £78 million overspent by 27/28. Noted that the position was unsustainable. There was acknowledgment that the LA couldn't do nothing and allow the deficit to grow further.
- 10.4 Noted that there are 18 projects within the programme; monthly updates are provided on the dedicated web page:
www.haringey.gov.uk/children-and-families/local-offer/about-local-offer/local-offer-news/haringey-safety-valve-programme
- 10.5 The Chair proposed that Schools Forum vote on the recommendation that there was a disapplication of 3.4% inflationary increase to Haringey Special Schools on top ups. The decision would be for 1 academic year.

Schools Forum UNANIMOUSLY AGREED the application of a disapplication request to the Department of Education to freeze Special School top-up funding; creating a £420,000 saving within the High Needs Block (HNB). The decision would be for 1 academic year.

11 DEDICATED SCHOOLS BLOCK / DSG OUTTURN 2022/23

- 11.1 Patricia Harvey took the Forum through the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) 2022/23 Outturn and Finance Update paper. The following was noted:
- Schools Block: the total £135.05m of the schools' block was passported to schools using the Authority Proforma Tool (APT) and local variations agreed by the Schools Forum.
 - Central Schools Services Block: the total £2.78m of the Central Schools Services block is retained by the council as a contribution towards the council's statutory duties.
 - High Needs Block: The budget allocation was £50.57m with an in-year overspend of £2.22m. The LA received £11.96m from the DfE as acceptance of the SV programme; resulting in a closing deficit of £11.87m.
 - Early Years Block: Indicative budget was £20.15m. The previous years Early Years reserve of £1.23m was used to offset the overpayment of the 3- and 4-year-olds. The final out turn was £32k surplus.
 - Cumulative DSG: The DSG closing position was £11.55m in deficit.
- 11.2 The council will continue to supported schools in financial difficulty with dedicated central finance support, providing cashflow advances and assisting with redundancy costs of restructures relating to permanent staff savings via the Restructure and Scrutiny Panel for 2023/24. Noted that there were 25 schools in deficit at the close of March 2023.

11.3 The Forum noted and ratified the following:

- DSG outturn position for 2022/23
- LMS Reserve balances for Schools 2022/23
- 2023/24 DSG allocations
- The Safety Valve Programme

12 UPDATE ON EWO REFORM AND ACCOUNT OF £122K EXPENDITURE CENTRAL SCHOOL SERVICES BLOCK UPDATE

12.1 Jane Edwards took the forum through the briefing paper on updates on the EWO reform progress. Noted that a full report will be received at October 2023 meeting. Further noted that from September new statutory guidance takes effect, which increased responsibility, but with no additional funding. The EWO team will receive further training in July. An overview of actions taken since January and actions that will be taking place from September were provided. Noted that the service will be recruiting to the principle EWO position. It was anticipated that the successful candidate will be in post by November 2023.

ACTION EWO paper to be received at the October Schools Forum meeting.

13 OUTCOME OF INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRAMME 2022-23

13.1 Vanessa Bateman took the forum through the Annual Report on Schools and provided an overview of the 2022/23 Schools' Audit Work; the following was noted:

- Nine out of 13 schools completed received "Adequate" or above assurance rating;
- Two schools received the top rating of Substantial Assurance;
- No schools received a "nil" rating;
- Three schools received "Limited" Assurance; and •
- Three schools demonstrated a reduction in assurance from the last audit, these schools will be followed up early in 2023/24 to ensure control environment has strengthened.

13.2 The common themes arising from the audit work were:

- Governors not providing evidence of their DBS certificate, particularly where the previous certificate requires an update;
- Contracts have been rolled over for several years, and spend on them exceeds the thresholds for going out to tender;
- Evidence not retained to clearly show that reconciliations are prepared by one officer, and then reviewed by a second independent officer.

14 UPDATE ON LTNS

14.1 An update on the impact of LTNs to be received at the next meeting.

15 MEETING DATES FOR 2023-2024

Members **AGREED** the meeting dates as follows:

- Thursday 12 October 2023 at 4pm [face to face]
- Thursday 7 December 2023 at 4pm
- Thursday 11 January 2024 at 4pm
- Thursday 8 February 2024 at 4pm
- Thursday 4 July 2024 at 4pm

15.1 Members noted that the 2023/24 work plan would be circulate with the minutes from the meeting.

16 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

16.1 No AOB was received.

The meeting closed at 6:45pm

SUMMARY OF AGREED ACTIONS TO BE CARRIED OUT FOR 12 OCTOBER 2023 MEETING

ITEM	ACTION	FOLLOW UP
4.2.1	<p><u>Vacancies on the School's Forum membership</u></p> <p>a) All members to continue recruitment through all avenues to appoint to vacant positions.</p> <p>b) Will Wawn to follow up with Secondary Academies to try and recruit to vacancies.</p> <p>c) For each block that had vacancies, elections to take place to select members to the Forum.</p> <p>d) HEP to continue to email all Governors regarding Governor vacancies on Schools Forum. Governor Forum members to make request for members at relevant Chairs and Governor meetings.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>WW</p> <p>All</p> <p>HEP</p>
4.2.2	<p><u>Impact of the Safety Valve (SV) programme on Post 16 young people</u></p> <p>Update on KH & JD meeting to be provided at the next SF meeting.</p>	KH & JD
4.4.2	<p><u>Impact assessment for PVI within EY sector</u></p> <p>a) EY working party to continue with proactive communication with all PVI settings.</p> <p>b) EY working party to explore the best options to obtain reliable information regarding the impact on the sector of the new funding levels.</p> <p>c) Early years funding update to be an item on Schools Forum work plan.</p>	<p>EY working party</p> <p>CD</p>
7.2	<p><u>Forum Membership and Terms of Reference</u></p> <p>The Schools Forum membership required updating to reflect a composition of 7 non-school members.</p>	AE
7.4	<p><u>Forum Membership and Terms of Reference</u></p> <p>High Needs Working party to review the membership representation from within the special needs sector.</p>	HNB
8.1	<p><u>Early Years Working Party</u></p> <p>Will Wawn to extend the invitation to join the EY Working Party all Haringey Headteachers.</p>	WW
9.8	<p><u>AP Commissioning</u></p> <p>Undertake a risk assessment to allow for a wider understanding of how the current HLP offer would be impacted, changed or cut.</p>	CB >
9.13	<p><u>AP Commissioning</u></p> <p>A further report on AP to be brought back to the October meeting.</p>	CB & GT
12.1	<p><u>EWO reform</u></p> <p>EWO paper to be received at the October Schools Forum meeting.</p>	JE

Item 9: AP schools forum report and AP gap analysis.

The 'narrative' presented in the papers on AP seems totally at odds with discussions about AP, exclusions the success in this area that we had in the last couple of years.

1.Scrutiny/oversight: In terms of strategic oversight, the Model for Change Strategic Delivery Board has not met since February 2023. How have these proposals for changes in AP provision been discussed and agreed with no external oversight? I sit on the M4C board and this is the first I've heard of any of this. Given that AP supports many of our most vulnerable children, and we know that the picture nationally has been one of increasing need, the lack of scrutiny and oversight for plans with long term implications raises significant concerns.

In late 2018, a review of alternative provision commenced and sought to identify how Haringey Council, in collaboration with local primary and secondary schools, could improve the offer of Alternative Provision and develop greater coherence, both structurally and operationally, to meet the diverse needs of pupils at every stage of their statutory education.

Over several months, the review looked at opportunities to build upon existing good practice while addressing wider issues in the legislative, funding and local contexts.

Consequently, the review established that a complex and far-reaching programme of change was needed to reduce the number of pupils at risk of being excluded from school and improve the scope for children and young people to remain engaged in a high-quality education offer.

As is presented in The Model for Change (paragraph 7.3.2), this new delivery model will:

- Introduce the concept of a fixed term intervention and reintegration place for Key Stage 3 pupils, (where it is safe and appropriate to do so)
- Introduce a strengthened outreach and support for re-integration role, which will be part of the core function of the PRU and designed to support the direct activities of mainstream schools.
- Seek to scale down The PRU over time to deliver a smaller number of places, in the context of a wider framework of whole system support and reintegration.
- Establish a long-term goal / target to reduce provision to 25-30 education places achievable by September 2023.
- Enable current funding to be re-directed towards intervention support and outreach into mainstream schools.

Given the above, our current plan in no way departs from the original aim of the MfC, and indeed for 2023/24 the number of places has remained higher than the level recommended in the MfC.

In respect of oversight and scrutiny, officers from the LA have worked closely with stakeholders, and attended all HLP management committees since Autumn 2022, to understand the service offer and work with HLP to ensure a balanced budget and to identify areas for savings.

The new AD for Schools & Learning is now in post and has organised MfC at the beginning of the new term.

2. Exclusions: There has been a significant reduction in exclusions in Haringey (in large part thanks to HLP) which we have very much been celebrating in Haringey. However, this achievement seems to be downplayed in these documents. If we reduce financial support

for HLP, which is in reality what these papers seem to suggest, surely we risk exclusions rising again? This is against a backdrop of well-documented increases in need nationally. Additionally, in order for HLP to mitigate a £600k deficit and return to a position of in year surplus, what are the implications for the offer and support for the children at HLP?

The reduction in official permanent exclusions is testament to the work of numerous teams in the LA including HLP, schools themselves and the weekly HAPI panel administered by the LA.

In accordance with the Timpson Review the reduction in official exclusions needs to be matched by a reduction in managed moves to Alternative Provision.

3. EHCP funding: There are a substantial number of children with EHCPs at HLP (39) and a sizeable group being assessed/waiting for EHCPs (15). Given the budgetary significance of EHCP funding and the transient nature of the HLP cohort (moving back to the original schools), is the EHCP funding actually following each child?

The LA works with schools to recover EHCP funding that is assessed when a child moves settings.

All AP "top up" rates already incorporate the full cost of the placement, and any funding should flow back to the LA centrally as it would for any special or AP setting, then follow the child back to their mainstream school accordingly.

4. Benchmarking data (powerpoint report) - What year is this data from and what point in the year is taken? Given when AP opened and then the impact of the pandemic, being sure when this 'snapshot' was taken, makes a material difference to how it's interpreted. Also, we know that uptake of AP builds across the academic year. Is utilisation measured at a sensible point in the year e.g. Summer term rather than Autumn term?

The data was taken from HLP management committee reports over a period of 18 months from November 2021 up until the most recent report in May 2023 and therefore provides a rolling view and not a snapshot of a single point in time. The initial AP Needs & Gap analysis was presented in Feb 2023. We have added additional data taking the report to May 2023 to reflect the recent increase in placement requests at HLP which we will continually monitor and review.

Data was also taken from the school's financial bench-marking site and also the relevant school census.

5. Short term vs. Long term strategy: If we don't invest in AP, there will be significant long term implications that will take years to address. It felt like we were making a lot of positive progress with AP and these reports suggest a return to 'old Haringey' and they raise significant safeguarding questions about the support and planning we are putting in place for a complex and highly vulnerable group of children.

The local authority continues to invest in AP, with outreach remaining free to schools and respite being subsidised. Indeed, the top up funding is provided to HLP on a stable annual basis to ensure budgets are set at a level above average compared to our statistical neighbours.

The accommodation and premises HLP operate from are limited to a certain capacity, specifically:

- 12 at Simmons House
- 58 at Commerce House
- 8 at the Library
- Plus, additional capacity at Philip House for post 16

Place and top up funding needs to reflect this accordingly as the LA has a responsibility to all stakeholders to ensure that services provide value for money and are of a high quality. This is in line with the LA's requirement that all commissioned services be funded proportionately, be evidence based, needs led, based on objective data and remain within budget.

Commissioning Officers are currently in negotiations with additional AP provision in Haringey, to increase the Haringey AP Local Offer to ensure that schools have access to a wide range of services to support children & young people.

Item 11 DSG outturn:

Given the significant increase in schools in deficit over the last year (nearly doubled from 13 to 25) and the decrease in the total school surplus for those schools still in surplus, what conversations is Haringey having with the DfE about the long-term implications if funding doesn't change?

Ongoing discussions are being held with DfE regarding funding allocations at a local and national level.

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**MINUTES OF HARINGEY'S SCHOOLS
FORUM MEETING
THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER 2023 AT 4PM
AT HEP:Inderwick Road, Crouch End N8**

Attendance:

School Members		
Headteachers		
Special (1)	(A)Martin Doyle (Riverside)	
Nursery Schools (1)	(A)Sian McDermott	
Primary (7)	Mary Gardiner (West Green)	(A) Julie D'Abreu (Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary)
	Stephen McNicholas (St John Vianney)	Paul Murphy (Lancasterian)
	Ian Scotchbrook (South Haringay)	Linda Sarr (Risley Avenue)
	Vacancy	
Secondary (2)	Jo Davey (Fortismere) P	Vacancy
Primary Academy (1)	(A)Simon Knowles (LDBS Academies Trust)	
Secondary Academies (3)	(A)Michael McKenzie (Alexandra Park)	(A)Angela Wallace (Woodside High)
	Vacancy	
Alternative Provision (1)	Gerry Robinson (Executive Headteacher HLP)	
Governors		
Special (1)	Phil Di Leo (The Vale)	
Nursery School (1)	Melian Mansfield (Pembury)	
Primary Maintained (7)	John Keever (Seven Sisters)	Dan Salem (Muswell Hill Primary)
	Andrew Willett (Willow Primary)	
	Helen Froggatt (St Aidan's Primary)	(A) Jenny Thomas (Lordship Lane)
	Vacancy	
Secondary Maintained (3)	Laurence Penn (Highgate Wood)	Vacancy
	Sylvia Dobie (Park View)	
Primary Academy (1)	Vacancy	
Secondary Academies (3)	Andrea Henry (Greig City Academy)	Vacancy
	Vacancy	
Alternative Provision (1)	Laura Butterfield (HLP) [Vice Chair]	
Non-School Members		
Non-Executive Councillor	Cllr Ibrahim Ali	
Trade Union Representative	Paul Renny	
Professional Association Representative	Ed Harlow	
Faith Schools	(A)Geraldine Gallagher	
14-19 Partnership	(A)Kurt Hintz	
Early Years Providers	Susan Tudor-Hart	
Independent member	Will Wawn [Chair]	
Observers		

None	
Cabinet Member for CYPS	
Cllr Zena Brabazon	
Also Attending	
Director of Children's Services	Ann Graham
Assistant Director, Schools & Learning	Jane Edwards
Assistant Director, Commissioning & Programmes	Caroline Brain
Assistant Director, Early Help, Prevention & SEND	Jackie Difolco
Head of Service, Integrated SEND	Mary Jarrett
Head of Schools Finance	Neil Sinclair
Senior Finance Manager - Schools	Patricia Harvey
Principal advisor for Early Years	Nick Hewlett
Alternative Provision & SAFE Taskforce Commissioning Lead	Ginny Thorne
Chief Executive HEP	James Page
Lead for Governor Services (HEP)	Anne Etchells
Clerk (HEP)	Corinne David

(A) Absent

1. CHAIR'S WELCOME/ INTRODUCTIONS

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Chair apologised for the late start of the meeting; however, this was due to the road works and traffic in the local area
- 1.3 Will Wawn and Mary Gardiner extended their gratitude to Alex MacAskill. Members took a minute of reflection for his passing.

2. APOLOGIES, SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS

- 2.1 The Clerk confirmed that apologies for absence had been received from:
 - Julie D'Abreu (Devonshire Hill Nursery & Primary School Headteacher)
 - Bola Soneye-Thomas (Rokesly Junior School Headteacher)
- 2.2 Apologise for lateness were received from Ann Graham (Director of Children's Services).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 3.1 No declarations of interest were made.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 6 July 2023

- 4.1 The minutes of the School's Forum meeting held on 6 July 2023 were **AGREED** and **RATIFIED** as a correct record, subject to the following point of accuracy:
 - The date at the top of the minutes should read 6 July 2023.
- 4.2 Matters arising
 - 4.2.1 Item 4.2.2 Vacancies on the School's Forum membership
 - a) All members to continue recruitment through all avenues to appoint to vacant positions.
 - b) Will Wawn to follow up with Secondary Academies to try and recruit to vacancies.
 - c) For each block that had vacancies, elections to take place to select members to the Forum.
 - d) HEP to continue to email all Governors regarding Governor vacancies on Schools Forum. Governor Forum members to make request for members at relevant Chairs and Governor meetings.
 - 4.2.2 Item 4.2.2 Impact of the Safety Valve (SV) programme on Post 16 young people Action completed.

- 4.2.3 Item 4.4.2 Impact assessment for PVI within EY sector
Actions were noted as ongoing:
a) EY working party to continue with proactive communication with all PVI settings.
b) EY working party to explore the best options to obtain reliable information regarding the impact on the sector of the new funding levels.
c) Early years funding update to be an item on Schools Forum work plan.
EY working party.

- 4.2.4 Item 7.2 Forum Membership and Terms of Reference
Action completed.

- 4.2.5 Item 7.4 Forum Membership and Terms of Reference
ACTION High Needs Working party to review the membership representation from within the special needs sector.

- 4.2.6 Item 8.1 Early Years Working Party
ACTION Paul Murphy to extend the invitation to join the EY Working Party all Haringey Headteachers.

- 4.2.7 Item 9.8 & 9.13 AP Commissioning
Item on the agenda see item 11.

- 4.2.8 Item 12.1 EWO reform
Item on the agenda see item 10.

5. FORUM MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 Bola Soneye-Thomas (Rokesly Junior School Headteacher) had been selected to fill the vacant primary maintained Headteacher position.

- 5.2 Members noted receipt of the revised constitution and terms of reference.

ACTION Will Wawn to write to Simon Knowles regarding his availability to continue on Schools Forum.

6. UPDATE FROM WORKING PARTIES

6.1 Early Years Working Party

Members noted receipt of the minutes from 14 September 2023. The following was noted:

- a) There had been an underspend of £231k.
- b) Take up for 2 year old places had increased to 70%.
- c) Take up for 3 & 4 year old places had increased to 82%.
- d) Change of ratios from 1:4 to 1:5 raised concerns regarding the quality of provision; however, there would be savings. It was up to the individual setting to determine which ratio to employ.
- e) Nick Hewlett will be visiting schools regarding the expansion scheme.
- f) No further details had been released regarding deprivation indicators.

- 6.1.1 Members congratulated EY member on the increased up take of places and encouraged the sharing of the news with other setting.

6.2 High Needs Working Party

A meeting was held on 5 October 2023; minutes will be received at the next Schools Forum meeting. Phil Di Leo provided an overview of the meeting. The terms of reference continues to be reviewed to bring the group in line with the safety valve programme and funding.

6.3 School's Block Working Party.

The School's Block Working Party had meet twice reviewing the indicative allocations.

ACTION Minutes to be forward to the Clerk and received by members at the next meeting.

7 DEDICATED SCHOOLS BLOCK

7.1 Members noted receipt of the paper titled 'Dedicated schools budget modelling for 2024/25'. Patricia Harvey noted that the paper had been prepared before the announcement from the DfE regarding miscalculation in processing pupil numbers and subsequent impact on funding allocations. Haringey's exposure was £412k; roughly a reduction of £12.60 per child. The minimum funding guarantee remains the same. Haringey's funding formula moves closure towards the National Funding Formula (NFF) by 10%; resulting in two thirds of Haringey's formula now mirroring the NFF.

7.1 There is a change of 0.62% to the indicative allocations noted within school's block stream (item 2.4) due to pupil numbers and affordability. The School's Block Working Group is meeting on 9 November to review and model the DfE announcement.

7.2 There had been no proposed changes to split school funding, within the iteration. Three settings were affected by split site funding. The two primary schools will not be affected negatively.

7.3 Currently unknown how much, or if the Teacher Pay grant will be forthcoming in subsequent years – no announcement have been made to date. Noted that nationally unions were seeking legal advice and could potentially be entering into dispute: discussions are underway with the DfE.

The Chair proposed and School's Forum AGREED to delegate to schools' block working party to undertake the necessary review and model of the DfE announcement and issue the consultation.

8 High Needs Block (HNB) Section 251 (annual requirement)

8.1 Patricia Harvey took members through the paper titled 'High Needs Block (HNB) Section 251 Commissioned Places 2023-24 update SEND update'. Noted that the report provided an update to members on the statutory return to the DfE on commissioned places for Special Schools, Alternative Provision and Additional Resourced Provision Places funded by the HNB. Noted that the places were agreed in November. The SEND and AP place planning is aligned with the Safety Valve programme.

ACTION Further paper to be received at the February meeting

9 SAFETY VALVE PROGRAMME UPDATE

9.1 Mary Jarrett provided an update on works undertaken/ progress on the 18 projects within the Safety Valve Safety Programme. Noted that overall, the programme was moving in a positive direction. There is further 5 years of the programme.

9.2 Noted that there are 18 projects within the programme; monthly updates are provided on the dedicated web page:
www.haringey.gov.uk/children-and-families/local-offer/about-local-offer/local-offer-news/haringey-safety-valve-programme

9.3 Members noted the risk management profile for the whole safety valve programme. Members requested a rag rating for each of the 18 projects.

ACTION Mary Jarrett to include a RAG rating for each project at the next meeting.

10 EWO UPDATE AND FUNDING

- 10.1 Jane Edwards took members through the paper titled 'Working Together to Improve School Attendance'. In January 2023 School's Forum agreed the transfer of £122k for one year only. Since January the service has undertaken the following:
- A duty officer system has been established
 - The ternal Educational Welfare Service internal systems have been evaluated and developed
 - Staff training has focused on ways of working, updating knowledge and service expectations
 - Half termly consultation with an allocated EWO has been offered to all non-traded school from April 2023.
 - Termly EWS attendance forums with high school attendance.
 - EWS evaluation feedback forms were circulated to all traded schools. Feedback from all schools was sought at the beginning of the term.
 - Recruitment to the principal EWO role has commenced.
- 10.2 The LA will lead on the strategic approach to improving school attendance, working with schools and other partners including families.
- 10.3 The DfE has invited the service to participate in a deep dive lead by an appointed advisor. The self-assessment has identified the following:
- RAG school to target support.
 - Establishing a communication plan to reach families.
 - Identifying barriers to school attendance.
 - Improving attendance.
- 10.4 The Service has reviewed the summary of responsibilities for school attendance and created a new core offer to all school – shared in Appendix 1. The service has also reviewed the traded offer to allow for more flexibility based on schools' needs. It is intended to make it very clear what is part of the core and what is part of the traded offer. Following advice, the new core offer will be implemented from April 2024.
- 10.5 Noted a further decision regarding the delegation to the service from the centrally retained budget will be sought.

At 5:40pm Ed Harlow leaves the meeting.

11 ALTERNATIVE PROVISION COMMISSIONING AND HLP FUNDING

- 11.1 Caroline Brain and Ginny Thorne took members through the paper titled 'Alternative Provision Commissioning in Haringey'. To align Haringey's offer with the SEND and AP improvement plan, a three-tier system of alternative provision will be embedded:
- Tier 1 – Targeted support in mainstream schools.
 - Tier 2 – Time limited placements.
 - Tier 3 - Transitional placements.
- 11.2 The SLA with HLP is now in place. The core services, level of the provision and the funding envelope agreed. The service will be launching a digital referral form to allow for easier submission, tracking and data recording. Governance arrangement have been reviewed. All pupils entering the process have to be agreed by the Panel, with money following the pupil.
- 11.3 The DfE noted that there is a good AP core offer with HLP; however there has to be diversification of the offer with further interventions commissioned.
- 11.4 HLP have been commissioned to provided post 16 places, until provision is available through the Safety Valve programme.
- 11.5 The Service will be work further with secondary school to support newly arrived Year 11 pupils with little or no English in a resource provision; expectation is for this service in place from January 2024.

- 11.6 The primary nurture hub based at Seven Sister schools has expanded to 8 places until August 2024.
- 11.7 At the previous meeting members had expressed concerns regarding the impact of expenditure on service provision. The risk assessment was co-constructed with schools. Noted that the LA's view was that there were sufficient AP places across the borough. Demand and capacity for AP will be monitored and evaluated regularly to ensure alignment is maintained.
- 11.8 Secondary schools noted that those pupils in a Tier 3 placement may not benefit from moving back into a main secondary setting; where an AP placement may be the right provision for their needs.
- 11.9 Members enquired if the allocation of £164k for secondary ESOL provision was value for money as only one pupil had accessed the resource. Officers noted that there had been an historical contract with Haringey Sixth Form, where some pupils were there, some were going to HLP and some had been successfully placed in Haringey schools. The requirement for the provision was difficult to predict as its needs driven and numbers are unknown until an application for a place had been received. Noted that within the secondary sector it was common practice for Year 11 ESOL pupils, new to English and the UK, were not educated in mainstream education; due to economies of scale and staff expertise. Commissioning service will evaluate the impact of spending against outcomes. Primary schools noted that there was no equal provision for Year 6 pupils where schools had to take the newly arrived pupil on roll regardless of their level of English acquisition.

12 MEETING DATES FOR 2023-2024

- 12.1 To agree the media of future meetings: either Face to face or virtual
- Thursday 7 December 2023 4PM. TBC
 - Thursday 11 January 2024 4PM. Face to face
 - Thursday 8 February 2024 4PM. TBC
 - Thursday 4 July 2024 4PM. TBC
- 12.2 For members to receive the 2023 – 2024 School's Forum work plan.

13 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

- 13.1 No AOB was received.

The meeting closed at 6:20pm

SUMMARY OF AGREED ACTIONS TO BE CARRIED OUT FOR 7 DECEMBER 2023 MEETING

ITEM	ACTION	FOLLOW UP
4.2.1	<u>Vacancies on the School's Forum membership</u> a) All members to continue recruitment through all avenues to appoint to vacant positions. b) Will Wawn to follow up with Secondary Academies to try and recruit to vacancies. c) For each block that had vacancies, elections to take place to select members to the Forum. d) HEP to continue to email all Governors regarding Governor vacancies on Schools Forum. Governor Forum members to make request for members at relevant Chairs and Governor meetings.	All WW All HEP
4.2.3	<u>Impact assessment for PVI within EY sector</u> a) EY working party to continue with proactive communication with all PVI settings. b) EY working party to explore the best options to obtain reliable information regarding the impact on the sector of the new funding levels. c) Early years funding update to be an item on Schools Forum work plan.	EY working party CD
4.2.5	<u>Forum Membership and Terms of Reference</u> High Needs Working party to review the membership representation from within the special needs sector.	HNB
4.2.6	<u>Early Years Working Party</u> Paul Murphy to extend the invitation to join the EY Working Party all Haringey Headteachers.	PM
5.2	<u>Forum Membership</u> Will Wawn to write to Simon Knowles regarding his availability to continue on Schools Forum.	WW
6.3	<u>School's Block Working Party</u> Minutes to be forward to the Clerk and received by members at the next meeting.	WW
8.1	<u>High Needs Block (HNB) Section 251</u> A further paper to be received at the February 2024 meeting	Clerk / PH
9.3	<u>Safety Valve Programme Update</u> Mary Jarrett to include a RAG rating for each project at the next meeting	MJ

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**Schools Forum Early Years Working Group
22nd November 2023 at 1.30pm
at Rowland Hill Nursery School and Children Centre**

Name	Designation/ Representation
Melian Mansfield (MM)	CHAIR. Chair of Pembury House Nursery School
Gladys Baah-Okyere (GBO)	PVI Settings Rep
Luisa Bellavita (LB)	PVI Settings Rep
* Joanna Conroy (JC)	Childminder
Duwan Farquharson (DF)	Willow Director of Business
Nick Hewlett (NH)	Principal Adviser for Early Years
Sian McDermott (SMcD)	Nursery Head SF Rep (Rowland Hill)
Storm Moncur (SM)	Childminder
Susan Tudor-Hart (ST-H)	School Forum PVI Settings Rep
Melanie Widnall (MW)	Principal Advisor for Early Years
* Christine Yianni (CY)	Childcare Sufficiency Manager
* Grant Bright (GB)	Primary Head Rep (Rokesly Primary School)
* Cllr Zena Brabazon (ZB)	Lead Member
Ridhwaan Edoe (RE)	Early Years Team
* Lucy Walker-Collins (LW-C)	Primary Head Rep (Stroud Green Primary School)
* Patricia Harvey (PH)	Finance Team
Also Present	
Lewis Antony (LA)	Finance Team
Sarah Hargreaves	Senior Governance Officer

* denotes absence

1. Welcome and Apologies

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
1.2 Apologies have been received from Lucy Walker-Collins, Cllr Zena Brabazon, Patricia Harvey and Grant Bright.

2. Election of Chair and vice Chair

- 2.1 **Melian Mansfield** was proposed as Chair by **Sian McDermott** and seconded by **Storm Moncur**.
2.2 **Susan Tudor-Hart** was proposed as vice Chair by **Sian McDermott** and seconded by **Melian Mansfield**.
2.3 **Agreed.**

3. Minutes of the Meeting of 14th September 2023

- 3.1 Pt 5.5 to delete "given previous mistakes".
3.2 Pt 5.9 to say "It was queried whether in the 1st year a child" Ridhwaan to check with Elicka McAuley. It is known that other local authorities pay twice in the 1st year as school years and financial years are different. The DfE have also

been asked for clarification but a response is outstanding.

Action RE

3.3 With these changes the minutes were **agreed** as a correct record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of 14th September 2023

4.1 Pt 3.4 Sian and Ridhwaan will meet shortly with Lewis to discuss the financial information available to schools. Lewis is aware that there is room for improvement.

Action SMcD, RE, LA

4.2 Pt 3.6 Nick will circulate the current LA management structure. He cautioned that there are frequent changes.

Action NH

4.3 Pt 5.1 The number of children will be checked again. The 3's and 4's are largely static but there has been an increase in 2's. There are 6,548 3's and 4's in the borough with 5,201 in settings (79%). This is the highest summer figure ever. This will be discussed further at the next meeting when the up to date figures are available.

Action NH

4.4 Pt 6.2 By the end of December the funding rates for next year will be known. The viability of taking 2's rather than 3's or 4's will be clearer for settings. Childminders will be supported with their business plans. Some childminders currently suggest to parents that they should move the children to nurseries when they turn 3. Parents of 2's who turn 3 would not be asked for the difference in the hourly rate.

5. Information and Updates: Nick Hewlett

5.1 There are frequent meetings with the DfE, who are drip-feeding information to councils.

5.2 The EYFS is due to change in January 2024.

5.3 Indicative budgets will be available by February 2024 for implementation in April 2024 when there will also be a new phase of expansion of 2 year old (15 hour) provision.

5.3.1 £57,000 has been provided to the LA for the LA delivery of the 2 year old expansion. This will pay for a processing officer and apprentices.

5.4 Presentations have been held on LiquidLogic (an IT system) which is already used by social care. It could be adopted by Early Years in order to streamline the systems across the council.

5.5 The Early Years conference on November 3rd was well received.

5.6 The Early Years strategy launch went well.

6. Funding for Children who Repeat a Year: Sian McDermott

6.1 Where a child has an EHCP and the nursery school or childminder is named on their Plan once they reach 5 years and 22 weeks the school/childminder no longer receives funding. (This only affects autumn born children as summer born don't reach the age cut off before transferring to school and it does not affect children in school nurseries as they can be counted as a Reception child).

6.1.1 Nick will speak to Mary Jarrett as she is the EHCP lead officer about the possibility of School Forum agreeing to a sum of money to be set aside for these children in order to fund providers/settings.

Action NH

7. Options for the Underspend: Nick Hewlett

7.1 It was confirmed that the underspend stands at £231,000.

7.2 A range of options were put forward to spend the money, which has to be spent by or passported out of the LA by the end of the financial year. Most of the options were those previously considered for the anticipated underspend before:

- free entitlement offer (comms and marketing)
- speech and language
- parent champions
- increase the base rate to settings
- supporting vulnerable children
- baby project
- free EY conference

- 7.2.1 Child and parent mental health was an additional option, run possibly via an inclusive theatre now operating out of Haringey.
- 7.2.2 The money can be divided between a range of headings.
- 7.3 After a wide ranging discussion it was **agreed** to remove speech and language therapy from the list as this is going to be provided via NHS, Safety Value and Family Hub funds. This will be a follow-on from the LEAP project in Northumberland Park. Settings will be supported following an assessment.
- 7.3.1 A idea of a free conference for Haringey EY providers was welcomed. Places to out borough providers could be sold. Cover costs would also be appreciated.
- 7.3.2 The baby room project has been popular with 24 expressions of interest for 10 places but it is not yet known how many settings will develop baby provision as the funding levels aren't yet known.
- 7.3.3 The Parent Champions and free entitlement projects could be linked together.
- 7.3.4 It was confirmed that previously £150,000 had been allocated to places for vulnerable children.
- 7.3.5 If the whole of the underspend was put into increasing the base rate for all 3's and 4's it would amount to around £44 per children as a one off lump sum. (Two year old settings will be getting more money this term and next and so they wouldn't be included in any base rate increased payment). It was noted, however, that some settings need this more than others. It would be difficult to specify what settings could/should spend the money on. Ridwhaan will look at more accurate figures (based on the summer 2023 Census) for any one off increase in the base rate. **Action RE**
- 7.4 Members asked for viable figures which could be put against all the options by 8th December. **Action RE**

Storm Moncur is leaving childminding and hence this group. She was thanked for her input over recent times and everyone wished her well in the future.

8. Future Meeting Dates

- 8.1 The next meeting will be held on **23rd January 2024** at 9.30-11am, on-line.

Future dates are:

19th March 2024 9.30am-11am face to face

21st May 2024 9.30am-11am online

18th June 2024 1.30pm-3pm face to face

There being no further business the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at **3.40pm**.

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Schools Block Funding Formula Consultation

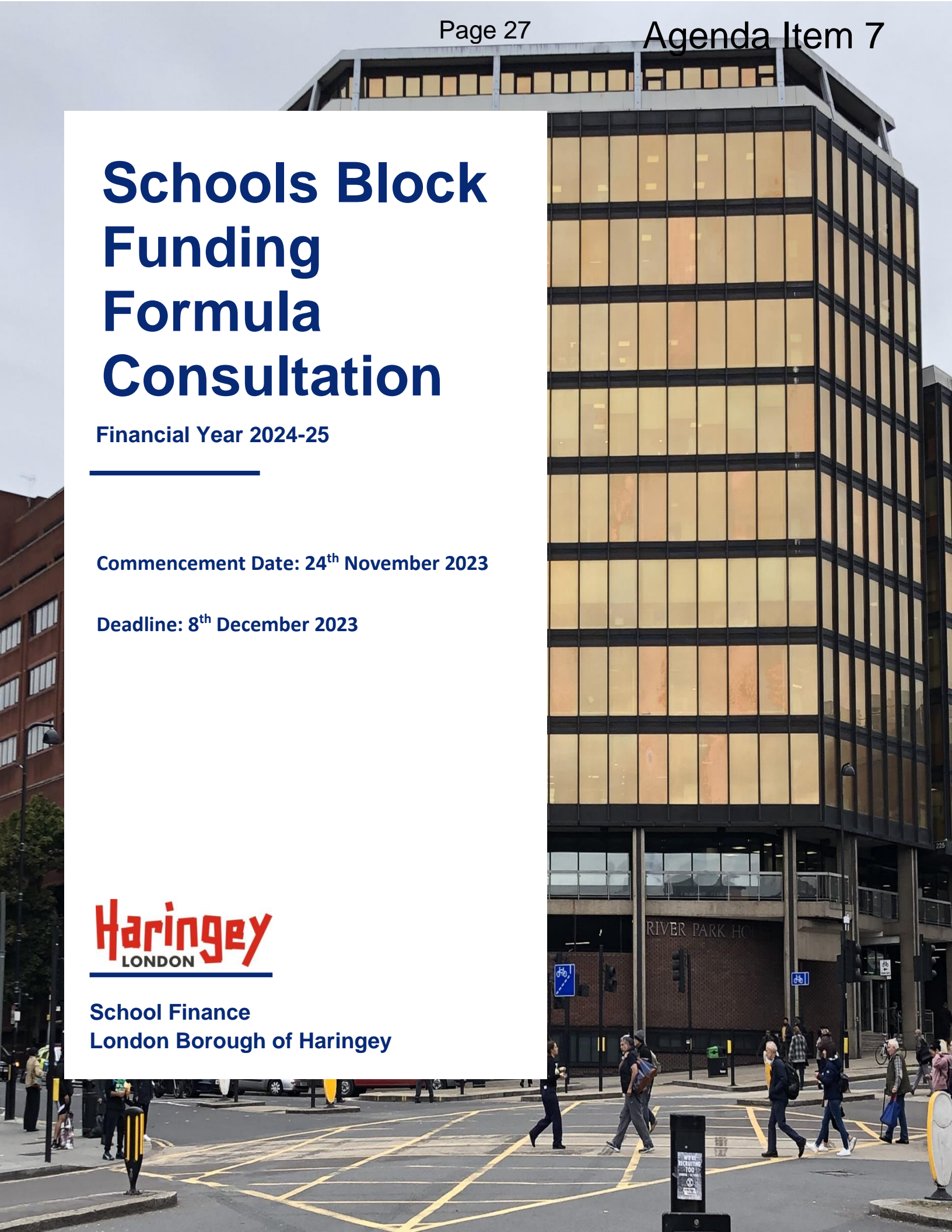
Financial Year 2024-25

Commencement Date: 24th November 2023

Deadline: 8th December 2023



School Finance
London Borough of Haringey



Schools Block of Dedicated School Grant (DSG) Funding Formula

Funding Consultation between Haringey School's Forum and Academies, Maintained Primary and Secondary Schools

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1. INTRODUCTION

The local authority is required under regulation 9 of The School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2023 to consult their Schools' Forum, maintained schools and academies about any proposed changes to the schools' formula in relation to the factors and criteria taken into account, and the methods, principles and rules adopted.

This document forms the basis for this consultation with all Haringey schools and the Haringey School's Forum to seek views on the proposed changes to the schools funding formula in 2024-25. The consultation also considers the strategic oversight of existing challenges within high needs block funding.

All schools are encouraged to respond to this consultation using the [online survey](#)

The deadline for responding to the consultation is **8th December 2023**

While it remains the Government's intention that a school's budget should be set on the basis of a single national formula, referred to as the National Funding Formula (NFF), in 2024-25, local authorities will continue to be allowed to use either the NFF formula values or locally agreed values within the allowable NFF range to determine funding allocations for schools. The National Funding Formula sets notional allocations for schools. These allocations are then aggregated and used to calculate the total Schools Block received by each local authority with the autumn school census as the main driver for school funding allocations.

The details of indicative national funding formulae (NFF) for schools and high needs for 2024-25 was published by the Department of Education (DfE) in July 2023 and republished again in October 2023 due to an error on pupil forecasts by the DfE. Details republished is on the following [link](#)

As part of the transition to the NFF local authorities are required to bring their local formula factors 10% closer to the NFF (as adjusted for area cost adjustments (ACA) where relevant).

2. NATIONAL CHANGES IN FUNDING LEVEL FOR 2024-25

The basic structure of the schools National Funding Formula (NFF) is not changing significantly in 2024-25. There are a few minor changes in existing factors of the formula in 2024-25.

Key features to the local funding formulae

- Local authorities will continue to set a Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) in local formulae, which in 2024-25 must be between +0% and +0.5%. A disapplication will be required for setting a MFG outside the +0% and + 0.5% range.
- Local authorities will again be able to transfer up to 0.5% of their total school's block allocations to other blocks of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG), with school's forum approval. A disapplication request to the Secretary of State (SoS) will continue to be required for transfers above 0.5%, or for any amount without school's forum approval.
- DfE will calculate the actual value of DSG funding allocation for all local authorities and the schools' block will be calculated using these factor values using October 2023 census data when available.
- Split site funding is now based upon a formulaic approach and continues only to be applicable to mainstream schools. This ensures that split site funding will be provided on a consistent and fare basis across the country.
- Growth and Falling rolls funding is now built into the formula, with calculations linked to the local authority's school capacity survey (SCAP) data. The Authority Proforma Tool (APT) will now address changes within the formula.

Table 1: shows the comparison of October 2023 pupil data with October 2022 data. Please note that census data for academies may or may not reflect the correct pupil numbers which is due to extended submission deadline for census return.

Table 1: Indicative changes in pupil numbers from October 2022 to October 2023

Pupil Numbers Analysis	Oct-22	Oct-23	Change
Pupil Number Count – DSG Schools Block	32,843	32,431	-412
Primary	19,398	19,139	-259
Secondary	13,445	13,292	-153

Table 2: shows the estimated value of 2024-25 Schools Block funding allocation based on October 2023 census data to be confirmed by the DfE. This shows a decrease in funding of £1.4m due to increase in per-pupil funded rates; the rolled in 2023-24 Mainstream School Additional Grant (MSAG), and after an estimated drop of 412 pupils.

Table 2: Estimated Schools Block allocations for 2023-24 and 2024-25

Revised DSG Allocation Summary (Estimated)	FY 2023-24 (£)	Estimated FY 2024-25 (£)	Total change in Cash terms (£)
Expected DSG Allocation based on Oct 23 Census	226,351,859	224,974,128.52	-1,377,730.71

Warning: These figures are subject to change and can go up or down once DfE announces the final Schools Block DSG allocation in December 2023.

The outcomes of the consultation will inform Schools Forum at its scheduled meeting on 11th January 2024 where a decision will be made on the agreed Haringey schools' formula for 2024-25.

3. PROPOSED FUNDING MODELS

Schools Block Working Group (SBWG) met four times and reviewed various funding formula models and recommended the following two models for schools' consultation. Both models include the High Needs Block (HNB) transfer of 0.5% agreed previously on 13th October 2022. Schools Forum will have to be agree again for budget setting 2024-25 formula after taking into account the consultation responses at School Forum meeting 11th January 2024.

The SBWG considered adopting the NFF 100% as required by the DfE operational guidance. Adopting the NFF values by 100% would adopt the journey towards the hard NFF and avoid turbulence in school funding once this is fully implemented as directed by the DfE. The SBWG decided to consult only on two models, 100% NFF and variation of AWPU values in support of primary schools:

- **Model 1:**
 - a. DSG formula factors 100% to NFF values
 - b. HNB transfer of 0.5%
 - c. MFG set to 0.38%
 - d. Capping set at 50%

- **Model 2:**
 - a. DSG mixture of formula factors 100% to NFF values (as per Model 1) except for AWPU (age weighted pupil unit) for primary factor set to maximum rate permissible (due to falling rolls/primary: secondary funding ratio difference) and minimum rate for AWPU secondary factor permissible.
 - b. HNB transfer of 0.5%
 - c. MFG set to 0.29%
 - d. Capping set at 50%

Indicative allocation based on Model 1 has been shared with the consultation document for comparison with 2023-24 allocation figures and are for illustrative purposes only. Please note that values for 2024-25 are **indicative only** and will be subject to change once the final Dedicated Schools Grant allocation for 2024-25 has been published usually late December 2023 and final autumn census.

Proposed allocations applicable to all models

The table 3 below shows the proposed allocations applicable to all models:

Table 3: Proposed allocations from the Schools Block DSG

Allocation type	Schools Affected	Description	Proposed Amount (£)
Top Slice	All Schools	Growth Fund allocation	300,000
De-Delegation	Maintained	Trade Union Facility	210,147
Block Transfer	All Schools	Block transfer to CSSB for Education Welfare	*122,000
Block Transfer	All Schools	Block Transfer to EY for Nursery split site funding	*60,000
Block Transfer	All Schools	HNB transfer at 0.5%	1,140,135

*Block transfers subject to disapplication request and Secretary of State approval

Growth funding: All Schools: to set growth fund allocation at **£300K** based on current projection for potential growth in schools. This amount is set the same as last year and will be allocated within the Authority Proforma Tool (APT) in accordance with the changes for 2024-25 school formula.

Trade Union Facility: Maintained schools only: maintained schools' budgets to reflect de-delegation amounts to cover trade union duties. The allocation for the financial year 2024-25 will be set at **£210K** to cover the agreed claims experienced in 2023-24 and projected 2024-25. This amount was **£165k** in 2023-24. Any unused amount will be ring fenced for the schools block.

Education Welfare Charge: All Schools: block transfer of **£122k** to Central School Services Block (CSSB). This is the same amount as last year.

Split Site funding: All Schools: block transfer to Early Years block for nursery Split site funding of **£60K** for one Nursery School to be continued for 2024-25. This is the same as 2023-24.

High Needs Block: All Schools: block transfer (0.5%) to High Needs Block in support of SEND growth and as part of the Safety Valve Program. Estimated **£1.140m** (0.5%) and 2023-24 was **£1.098m** (0.5%).

Appendix 1: presents a comparison between the expected school draft allocation using October 2023 Census data against actual allocation schools received in 2023-24.

The spreadsheet has the following tabs:

1) **Reconciliation**:

This shows the 'big picture' overview of the whole of the Schools Block (SB) of the DSG and overall changes in pupil numbers.

2) **Summary**:

This shows the summary funding each school would receive under Model1 and Model 2 compared to the 2023-24 allocations.

3) **Model 1**: 0.5% HNB Block Transfer plus Funding factors 100% to NFF values with MFG maximized between +0% +0.5%

4) **Model 2**: 0.5% HNB Block Transfer plus Funding factors 100% to NFF values, apart from AWPU factor (primary) set at maximum permissible and secondary AWPU set at minimum permissible, with MFG set between +0%+0.5%

4. Consultation QUESTIONNAIRE

Feedback questionnaire for Haringey School Funding Formula 2024-25		
<p>Question 1: Please indicate your preferred option for Haringey's funding model 2024-25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model 1: Replicating NFF model <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model 2: Replicating NFF model with AWPU variations. 	Model 1	
	OR	
	Model 2	
<p>Question 2: To support Growth Funding budget of £300k <i>(Yes or No)</i></p>	Yes	No
<p>Question 3: To support Block Transfer of £122k for Education Welfare <i>(Yes or No)</i></p>	Yes	No
<p>Question 4: To support Early Years Block Transfer for Nursery Split Site funding of £60K <i>(Yes or No)</i></p>	Yes	No
<p>Question 5: MAINTAINED SCHOOLS ONLY To support de-delegated budget from maintained schools for Trade Union Facilities time of £210K <i>(Yes or No)</i></p>	Yes	No
<p>Question 6: To support High Needs Block Transfer of £1.140m <i>(as part of Safety Valve Program - year 2)</i> <i>(Yes or No)</i></p>	Yes	No
<p>Question 7: Any further comments you would like to make with regards to the consultation.</p>	Any further comments	
<p><i>Thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback.</i></p>		

5. SCHOOLS VOTING RIGHTS

Each school will have two votes:

1. Headteacher
2. School Governor (Chair of Governor or Chair of Resources Committee)

6. CONSULTATION DEADLINE

All schools are encouraged to respond to this consultation using the [online survey](#)

Web Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Bw3eN6xjCr>

Commencement Date: **24th November 2023**

Deadline: **8th December 2023** at 5:00pm

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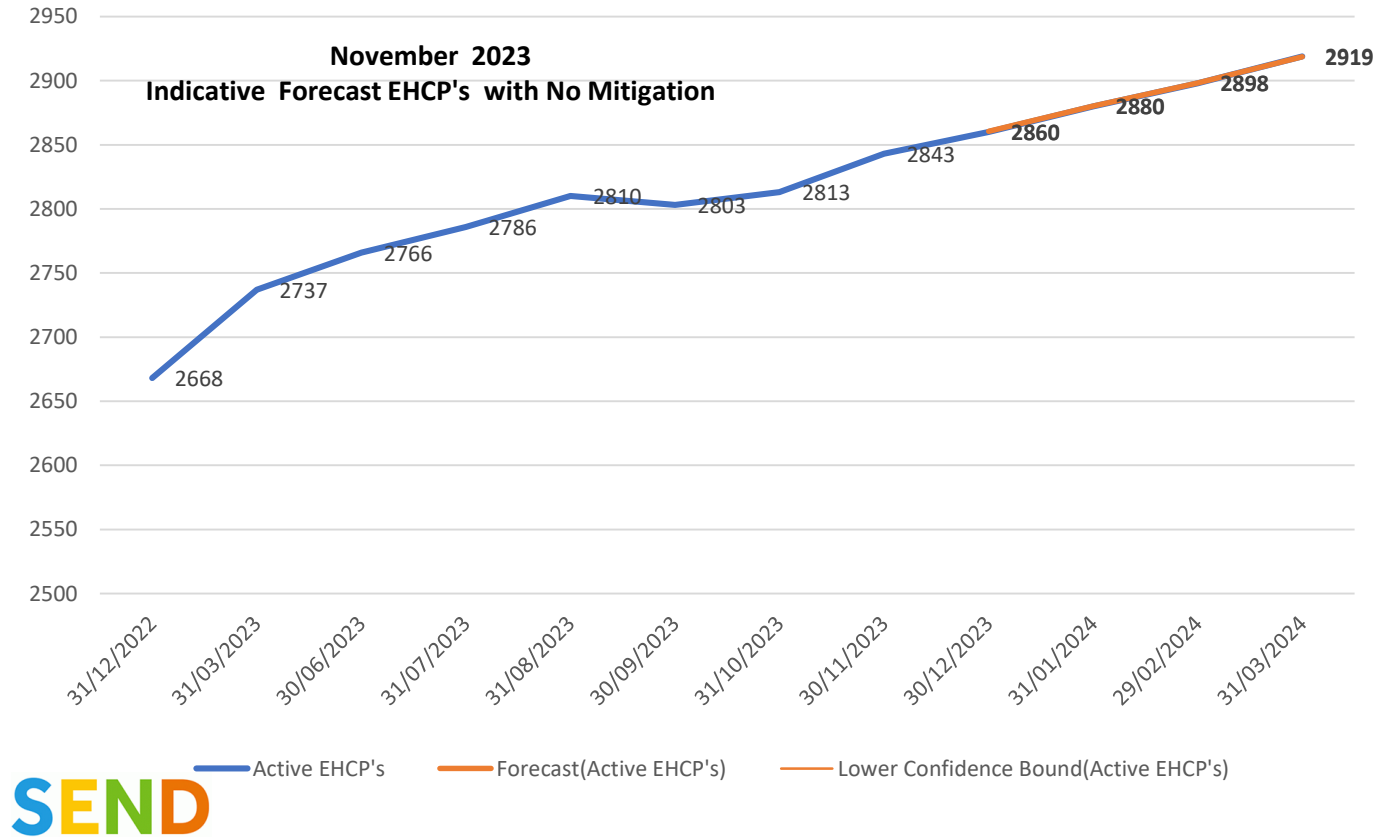
Summary of Safety Valve Projects

Workstream A Demand management	Workstream B Commissioning	Workstream C Culture, Governance and Leadership
A.1 SLT	B1.1 Primary ASC capital	C.1 Core standards
A.2 Autism	B1.2 Secondary and post 16 ASC capital	C.2 Culture change
A.3 SEMH pathway	B.3 Complex needs capital	C.3 Process mapping
A.4 Thresholds and Annual Reviews	B.4 Alternative Provision (oversight)	C.4 WFD
A.5 SEND Supported Internships	B.2 and B.5 Placements (including post 16)	
A.6 Early Years	B.6 Bandings and Top Ups	

Safety Valve Measure- EHCP Plans to 31st March 2024

Haringey's DSG Plan submitted in January 23 forecasts that by 31st March 2024 there will be 2,938 active EHC Plans.

As at the 29th November 2023 , Haringey had 2,843 active EHC Plans. Extrapolating the 2,843 it indicates a forecast figure of **2,919 active EHCP's** by the 31st March 2024, this is currently below the unmitigated target of 2,938 EHCP's.



Overall progress to date

Specific project updates will be presented on SLCN and AP projects as part of the next agenda item. Impact section to be included from Sept reports. Key headlines on other projects are as follows:

Project	Updates
<p>Project A1.</p> <p>Review Therapeutic Support for Speech & Language</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training in progress within primary school settings, with the Talk Boost screening now live. • Speech language and communication pathway for primary school aged children has been rolled out and training support for schools are in place. • Initial key performance indicators to measure impact of the SLCN pathway roll-out have been identified. • Local Offer website and Speech and Language Therapy Service websites updated with new Referral letter.
<p>Project A.2</p> <p>Increase capacity of mainstream schools to meet the needs of autistic children</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff for autism support team (LAST) are in post and children are being supported with intervention. • Direct pathway to LAST team is in place. • Review from the impact model complete from 22/33. • Monitor impact as part of project legacy.
<p>Project A.3</p> <p>Increase capacity of mainstream schools to meet the needs with SEMH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing a proposed approach to a SEMH Graduated Response Pathway for consultation at workshop. • Multi-professional workshop booked to consult on Social Emotional Mental Health Graduated Response Pathway for December. • Mapping of existing services against SEMH needs underway.
<p>Project A.4</p> <p>Thresholds and Annual Reviews of EHCP's</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training for Statutory Assessment Teams have been rolled out to make EHCP assessment and annual review process for robust and in line with best practice. • Some dedicated support has been put into complete overdue EHCP Annual Reviews with an aim to complete c200 ARs per month. It is anticipated that most overdue ARs will be completed toward the end of Q3.

Overall progress to date

Key headlines on other projects are as follows:

Project	Updates
<p>Project A.5</p> <p>Supported Internships</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On track with supporting internships, secured 5 out of the target of 7 places. Overall, 32 interns started this year, this is a significant increase from last year (20 interns). • Enrolled candidates have started the internship and have commenced inductions. • Developed marketing and engagement action plan to deliver 2 information sessions and 1 open day. • Savings profile for this project is being reviewed by Finance Analyst.
<p>Project A.6</p> <p>Early Years</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft financial options paper produced for the future model of Early Years block SEND funding. • Proposed new Early Years Bandings under public consultation, due to be completed by end of November. • Revise financial savings target for the project based on future funding model
<p>Project B.1, B.3 and B.7</p> <p>Capital Projects</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School A – Primary SEMH – Visit planned to discuss provisional sketches, contractor appointed, subgroup planned for 23rd of Nov. • School B – Primary ASC – Corporate Landlord visit completed, provisional sketches for the provision are completed and design specifications reviewed – sub-group planned for 15th of Nov. • School C – Primary Complex Needs – A site visit has been completed with specified partner school and feedback session arranged. School working with architects to flesh out details for the enabling works. • School D – Secondary SEMH project team is working to scope out this school, the team have identified a site and is engaging with the stakeholders – no change, chaser emails sent. • School E – Complex Needs Places – This work is split over two sites primary and secondary, both sites have been identified, the primary site will need a temporary classroom until vacant possession is gained on area identified for modular. Secondary site requires minor works, costs need to be signed off, once sufficiency numbers agreed

Overall progress to date

Specific project updates will be presented on Annual Reviews/Thresholds, Workforce Development and Capital projects as part of the next agenda item. Key headlines on other projects are as follows:

Project	Updates
Project B.2 Cost effective commissioning and brokerage of services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Block contract arrangement with Independent Non-Maintained School being prioritised. The SEND Sufficiency Strategy has been updated following feedback from SEND Exec and DMT, further engagement with parent carer and health completed. It is currently awaiting final approval. Currently collating data around high-volume/high-cost providers.• A Commissioning Lead is being recruited to progress work on the project. Interviews currently taking place.
Project B.5 Commissioning Post 16 Learners	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approach to review of current placement costs for 16s is confirmed and underway. Breaking down and reviewing costs by provider and by post-16 learner. Initiating conversations with high-volume / high-cost providers. Initial meeting with the highest volume/cost provider.• A Commissioning Lead is being recruited to progress work on this project.
Project B.6 Remodel financial support/ top ups to mainstream and special schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proposed new Bandings under public consultation, due to be completed by end of November.• Most SENDCOs have been trained to audit the needs of children and young people based on the proposed new bandings have commenced.• EHCP Bandings Moderations sessions planned for January 2024.

4) Risk Management Profile for Safety Valve - November

Risk scoring has not changed since the last meeting held on the 31st October.

Rated 2-8	Rated 9-12	Rated 12-15	Rated 16 - 20	Rated 20-25
			Trajectory of growth of SEND cohorts greater than planned	
	Special Schools choose to academise	Stakeholder opposition, disengagement and reputational damage to the council	Workforce capacity and resources are not sufficient to respond to demand	
	Significant change to national SEND policy	Review of Bandings does not deliver savings .	Reduction in Funding to special schools which contributes to budget deficits	Design and build work delayed by economic factors
	SEND Sufficiency strategy is delayed	Closure of providers due to current economic environment	Timelines for projects delayed due to capacity and interdependencies	Insufficient capital funding to support sufficiency assumptions
		Schools are reporting potential capacity issues to support with implementation of some projects eg) SLCN pathway.	Change to key financial assumptions, including DSG funding	Financial savings targets are not achievable



Period 7 :Oct 23 Forecast Deficit against DFE Safety Valve Agreement

Provisional Deficit Position Against SV Agreement- October 2023 (P7)

Table 1 below shows a change in the position for August 2023 with the favourable movement reducing to £70k. A prudent approach has been applied to the forecast position in August pending the revised financial update of September 2023 primary, secondary and Post 16 placements.

Table 1	Actual	Actual	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
Period 5 Update	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
July 2023 Forecast	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Haringey Safety Valve Agreement	-21.61	-24.4	-26.4	-29.2	-30.8	-31.4	-29.9
P4 July 2023- Provisional Position- HNB Deficit	-21.6	-23.8	-25.6	-28.6	-30.5	-31.3	-30.0
Movement Against Agreement (+Favourable)	0.0	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.1	-0.1
August 2023 Forecast							
P5-August 2023- Provisional Position- HNB Deficit	-21.6	-23.8	-26.3	-29.3	-31.2	-32.0	-30.7
Movement Against Agreement (+Favourable)	0.0	0.6	0.07	-0.1	-0.4	-0.6	-0.8

Safety Valve Measure- Projected High Need Block Deficit

Projected High Needs Block Deficit at end of each financial year

High Needs Block deficit forecast	Ref	Provisional Outturn	Projection	Projection	Projection	Projection	Projection
		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
		£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
HNB Deficit at the beginning of each financial year	a)	-21.61	-11.87	-11.38	-11.4	-10.3	-8.1
Projected in-year HNB deficit	b)	-2.22	-3.63	-6.77	-10.4	-14.56	-19.23
Impact of the Safety Valve Programme £47.9m	c)	0	1.13	3.76	8.6	13.76	20.52
Safety Vave Funding - £29.9m	d)	11.96	2.99	2.99	3.0	2.99	6
Revised deficit position at the end of each financial year	a+b+c+d	-11.87	-11.38	-11.4	-10.3	-8.1	-0.8

Note: The revised position reflects the reduction in projected cost and adjustment to the 2023/24 High Needs Block budget due to changes in recoupment.

Stakeholder and Comms Engagement

- The latest updates on key milestone events and timelines regarding the Safety Valve programme can be accessed on the public domain: <https://www.haringey.gov.uk/children-and-families/local-offer>
- 22 November: SEND and Schools Partnership
- 30 November: SEND Executive
- Top Ups and Bandings Consultations
- Week of November 20:
 - In-person session at SEND Power.
 - Virtual evening session hosted by SEND POWER.
- Week of November 27:
 - In-person daytime event at Hornsey Library:
 - In-person evening event at George Meehan House.
- During December:
 - Preparing and planning for Moderation meeting with SENDCO partners (meetings to take place during January and February 2024).



Ways to get involved and learn more about the programme



- [Monthly Highlight reports published on Local Offer](#)
- [Sign up to our SEND newsletter for regular updates](#)
- [Give us your feedback by emailing: \[sendcomms@haringey.gov.uk\]\(mailto:sendcomms@haringey.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Join SEND Power, your local parent carer forum](#)
- If you would like to be part of developing this programme going forward, please register your interest at sendcomms@haringey.gov.uk

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