

Appendix A

Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) - Funding Formula Consultation 2020-2021

For Head Teachers and Chairs of Governors: Primary and Secondary Schools and Academies

Dear Colleagues,

As agreed at previous School Forum the local authority will continue to set a local school formula, in consultation with local schools as per grant conditions.

In December, each local authority receives Authority Proforma Tool (APT) from the DfE. The December APT will be populated with schools' block data for 2020 to 2021, primarily drawn from the October 2019 schools census.

Authority Proforma tool is the mechanism by which ESFA provide the schools block dataset to local authorities but local authorities will submit APT in January 2020 following School Forum approval.

Nine Separate models were produced and there are two models that are being put to the forum for consideration. The criteria are based on aiming to deliver a maximum devolvement to schools via the DSG formula.

These models are for illustrative purposes to aid in decision making process in agreeing the 2020-21 formula. The actual funding may differ from these allocations once we have received the final APT from the ESFA. Which is expected after the pre-election period.

For each "model" the following have been entered into the ESFA APT tool:

- October 2018 Census figures.
- Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) rate.
- Capping factor.

MFG and Capping must be fixed for both Primary and Secondary at the same level.

The APT tool limits the range for MFG to be between 0.5% and 1.84%. The maximum Capping of 1.84% has been applied in all scenarios to ensure schools' gain maximum funding levels for 2020-21.

The only local factors used in the formula is the adjustable factors are Business Rates. We have used business rates for 2019-20 for the purpose of the formula.

Schools Forum will need to take a decision on the local funding formula for 2020-21, which will affect all schools. As a result, we are seeking to consult all Headteachers and Chair of Governors for their views.

The consultation will take place from 9am 13th December 2019 to 17:00 on 20th December 2019, all responses must be received by the deadline.

Your Survey

Schools Forum's Schools Funding Review Group met to consider the various option models for consultation. It was agreed the following options should go out to consultation with Haringey schools and academies:

Option A: Model 1 Version 3: Minimum Funding Guarantee: Set at 0.74% and capping at 1.84%
High Needs Block Transfer: 0%

Option B: Model 2 Version 1: Minimum Funding Guarantee: Set at 0.54% and capping at 0.70% High
Needs Block Transfer: 0.25%

We have published detail working of each option set out in relation to what this would mean for your school on the following link:

The funding review group are also considering a block transfer of Education Welfare Services funding to Central Block to ensure that cost has been shared between all schools and academies on a fair contribution rate.

The Schools Forum Schools funding review group have proposed these options with a recommendation of selecting Option A, plus recommending the block transfer Education Welfare Services budget to Central block, because it provides a maximum increase in school budget.

Please complete the questionnaire via the following link below by **17:00 on Friday 20th December 2019. Responses after that time will not be considered.**

The outcome of the consultation will be reported back in January 2020 Schools Forum who will then decide the way forward for the Haringey 2020-21 Schools Funding Formula.

Questionnaire

Funding Models	
Option A: Model 1 Version 3 Minimum Funding Guarantee: Set at 0.74% and capping at 1.84% High Needs Block Transfer: 0%	Tick box
Option B: Model 2 Version 1 Minimum Funding Guarantee: Set at 0.54% and capping at 0.70% High Needs Block Transfer: 0%	Tick box

Question – Education Welfare Services De-Delegation	Question
Move Education Welfare budget to Central Block before the individual schools' budget allocation to ensure all schools and academies have contributed on a fair amount to fund the services for the year 2020-21.	Yes / No