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Report Title: Growth Fund 2022-23 distribution and 2023-24 Update

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Purpose:

To inform members of the Growth Fund liabilities for 2023-24 and to decide on the distribution of unused growth fund in 2022-23

Recommendations:

1. To note the £300,000 Growth Fund Allocation for 2023-24 and the estimated allocation set out in Table 1.
2. To note the total cost of 2022-23 Growth Fund set out in Table 2.
3. To agree the allocation back to schools of £841,866 unused growth fund in 2022-23 as set out in paragraph 1.9 and detailed in Appendix 1

1. Introduction.

- 1.1. This document outlines the purpose of the centrally retained Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) Schools Growth Fund and the basis in which it will be distributed to eligible schools by the Authority.
- 1.2. Under the Schools Finance (England) Regulations of 2012, local authorities, with the agreement of the Schools Forum, are permitted to retain DSG to form a specific schools' contingency to support those schools that, with the prior agreement of the Authority, are permanently expanding and those schools experiencing significant in-year pupil roll increases. This specific schools' contingency is known as the Schools Growth Fund.
- 1.3. The funding changes introduced in April 2013 allow a local authority, with the approval of its Schools Forum, to top-slice a contingency for in year increases in pupil numbers. The Fund applies equally to maintained schools and recoupment academies and is designed to cover required in-year growth in forms of entry and not general variations in numbers experienced during the year.
- 1.4. This funding is equivalent to pro-rata financial-year equivalent to 7 months, from September to March, funding for the number of additional pupils expected to join the school in the Autumn as a result of the temporary expansion within a particular year group. Academies are currently funded for the whole 12 months and council to recoup funding for the 5 months from the ESFA.
- 1.5. This funding is intended to support the additional revenue costs associated with the expansion; teaching and support staffing costs, resourcing classroom equipment and share of senior management salaries cost.
- 1.6. Payments from the Schools Growth Fund will be profiled over the period for which they cover and will be paid with the monthly budget share payments to schools.
- 1.7. The proposed allocation for secondary bulge funding shown at para. 3 is based on theoretical modelling derived from school preference data. The proposed allocation may need be adjusted following completion of the PAN London offer iterative process in February 2023 when a more definitive view of additional capacity requirements can be gleaned i.e., the number of Haringey children remaining that require a secondary school place for September 2023 due to insufficient capacity.
- 1.8. Officers are required to report all payments made against the Growth Fund to Schools Forum at least once a year. Any unspent Growth Fund will usually be carried forward and added to the formula allocations for the following financial year. This year an unspent Growth Fund of **£841,866** can be carried forward to the 2023-24 financial year. Alternatively, Schools Forum can decide to distribute the remaining funds to all schools in this financial year or to allocate it for another purpose.
- 1.9. In 2022-23 the growth fund was set at £1.1m and at the year-end £841,866 was unspent. It is **recommended** that the unused element of the growth fund to 2022-23 of £841,866 is allocated back to schools in the March 2023 payment to schools. The Growth Fund was originally top sliced from maintained schools and academies with the remaining grant distributed via the APT. Therefore, the distribution to schools has been calculated via the APT in Appendix 1. It should be noted that due to the APT formulae that some schools do not receive a payment: conversely, the schools would not have had any funding deducted when the growth fund was originally top sliced. £717,657 was available to be distributed via the APT to the maximum minimum funding guarantee limit of 2% and the remaining £124,229 was available to be distributed to all schools at a rate of £3.775 per pupil.

2. Growth Funding Formula (basis of allocations)

The criteria agreed by the School Forum for allocations from the Growth Fund to support growth in pre-16 pupil numbers to meet the basic need are:

- Planned new form of entry approved by the Local Authority:

Age Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU) x Expected Pupil Numbers x 7/12 months;	+	A set-up allocation of £500 for each pupil in a standard class size for the relevant setting.	=	Allocation for the year
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- In-year bulge class:
 - Start up and classroom costs as above;
- support additional classes needed to meet the infant class size regulation
- Ghost funding guarantee KS1:
 - Minimum basic per-pupil funding for 24 pupils in a bulge class established in a previous year: and
- KS1 classes forced to exceed 30 pupils as a result of appeals (further details of this criteria are set out in the Annex):
 - A lump sum equivalent to the funding of a main-scale 1-teacher £32.8k pro-rata to the part of the year.

3. Proposed Allocations 2023-24

Table 1

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Indictive Growth Funding Allocation							
2	Financial Year 2023-24							
3								
4		(a)	(b)	c = (a x b)	(d)	(e = c + d)	(f)	(e x f)
5		No of pupil	AWPU	Total	Setup - Cost (£500/pupil)	Total allocation (12)	No. of months	Total pro-rate allocation 22-23
6	Bulge Funding - School Names							
7	Possible bulge class 2 - Secondary Academy (TBC)	24	5,324	127,772	12,000	139,772	12.00	139,772
8	Possible bulge class 3 - Secondary Community (TBC)	27	5,324	143,744	13,500	157,244	7.00	97,350
9	Total Estimated Allocation							237,123
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11								
12	Infant Class over size - School Names							
13	(estimation based on Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 payment made to schools)	Rate per pupil					No. of months	Total pro-rate allocation 22-23
14	Bounds Green Infant School	2,733					2	5,467
15	Rhodes Avenue Primary	2,733					1	2,733
16	Tetherdown Primary	2,733					5	13,667
17	Harris Primary Academy Coleraine Park	2,733					2	5,467
18	South Harringay Infant School	2,733					1	2,733
19								
20								
21	Total Estimated Allocation							30,067
22								
23	Description						Budget	Amount (£)
24	Growth Fund Allocation 2023-24							300,000
25	Less: Estimated Payment to schools							
26	Estimated Bulge Funding						(237,123)	
27	Estimated Infant Class over size						(30,067)	
28	Total Estimated Growth fund Expenditure							(267,190)
29	Total Estimated Growth Fund Unallocated 2023-24							£32,810

4. Current year's Outturn position 2022-23

Table 2

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	
31	Growth Funding Outturn								
32	Financial Year 2022-23								
33		(a)	(b)	c = (a x b)	(d)	(e = c + d)	(f)	(e x f)	
34		No of pupil	AWPU + TPG & TPCEG	Total	Setup - Cost (£500/pupil)	Total allocation (12)	No. of months	Total pro-rate allocation 22-23	
35	Growth Funding - School Names								
36		30	4,187	125,615	15,000	140,615	7.00	88,275	
37		Total Allocation		125,615	15,000	140,615		88,275	
38									
39		(a)	(b)	c = (a x b)	(d)	(e = c + d)	(f)	(e x f)	
40		No of pupil	AWPU	Total	Setup - Cost (£500/pupil)	Total allocation (12)	No. of months	Total pro-rate allocation 22-23	
41	Bulge Funding - School Names								
42		24	5,324	127,772	12,000	139,772	12.00	139,772	
43		Total Allocation		127,772	12,000	139,772		139,772	
44									
45	Infant Class over size - School Names								
46	(estimation based on Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 payment made to schools)								
47		Rate					No. of months	Total pro-rate allocation 22-23	
48		2,733					2	5,467	
49		2,733					1	2,733	
50		2,733					5	13,667	
51		2,733					2	5,467	
52		2,733					1	2,733	
53		Total Allocation						30,067	
54									
55	Description								
56	Growth Fund Allocation 2023-24							Budget	Total Amount (£)
57									1,100,000
58	Less: Payment to schools								
59	Growth Funding							(88,275)	
60	Bulge Funding							(139,772)	
61	Infant Class over size							(30,067)	
62	Total Growth fund Expenditure								(258,114)
63	Total Growth Fund Unallocated 2022-23								£841,886

Recommendations

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Annex.

Circumstances in which KS1 oversize class funding will be provided.

The legal position is:

Infant class size – *Infant classes (those where most children will reach the age of 5, 6 or 7 during the school year) **must not** contain more than 30 pupils with a single schoolteacher. Additional children may be admitted under limited exceptional circumstances. These children will remain an 'excepted pupil' for the time they are in an infant class or until the class numbers fall back to the current infant class size limit. The excepted children are:*

- a) children admitted outside the normal admissions round with statements of special educational needs specifying a school;*
- b) looked after children and previously looked after children admitted outside the normal admissions round;*
- c) children admitted, after initial allocation of places, because of a procedural error made by the admission authority or local authority in the original application process;*
- d) children admitted after an independent appeals panel upholds an appeal;*
- e) children who move into the area outside the normal admissions round for whom there is no other available school within reasonable distance;*
- f) children of UK service personnel admitted outside the normal admissions round;*
- g) children whose twin or sibling from a multiple birth is admitted otherwise than as an excepted pupil;*
- h) children with special educational needs who are normally taught in a special educational needs unit attached to the school, or registered at a special school, who attend some infant classes within the mainstream school.*

In these circumstances, therefore, it is not necessary to take on an additional teacher; however, it has been the practice in Haringey, and other councils, to continue to provide funding for KS1 classes forced to exceed 30 pupils. The DfE in its allowable criteria recognises this practice and we recommend that it continue as an incentive to schools to willingly accommodate these pupils at the start of their school career. Our recommendations are:

- That class size funding continues in the circumstances shown above.
- That KS1 class size funding recognises the local arrangement that requires a school to take a twin (multiple birth) even when this puts the school over number.
- That only one enhancement is made per school even if more than one KS1 class is over-size.

Appendix 1

Growth Fund - Unallocated Fund Distribution 22-23

Based on 2% MFG plus £3.775 per pupil

School Name	Type	NOR (October 2021 APT)	22-23 Current Funding	DSG top-up 2%MFG	£3.775 per pupil (Unallocated funds)	Total Additional	Revised Allocation 22-23
Total		32,905	£210,631,806	£717,657	£124,229	£841,886	£211,473,692
Belmont Junior School	Primary	209.00	£1,212,968.35	£5,371.66	£789.06	£6,160.72	£1,219,129.07
Belmont Infant School	Primary	171.00	£1,039,844.91	£4,502.45	£645.59	£5,148.04	£1,044,992.95
Bounds Green Junior School	Primary	320.00	£1,736,273.55	£3,319.96	£1,208.13	£4,528.09	£1,740,801.64
Bounds Green Infant School	Primary	263.00	£1,456,608.91	£6,690.24	£992.93	£7,683.17	£1,464,292.08
Campsbourne Junior School	Primary	213.00	£1,249,381.55	£5,618.55	£804.16	£6,422.70	£1,255,804.25
Campsbourne Infant School	Primary	174.00	£1,008,419.67	£0.00	£656.92	£656.92	£1,009,076.59
The Devonshire Hill Nursery & Prima	Primary	303.00	£1,806,266.60	£0.00	£1,143.94	£1,143.94	£1,807,410.55
Earlsmead Primary School	Primary	379.00	£2,135,117.39	£0.00	£1,430.87	£1,430.87	£2,136,548.26
Highgate Primary School	Primary	420.00	£2,109,461.78	£0.00	£1,585.67	£1,585.67	£2,111,047.44
Lancasterian Primary School	Primary	342.00	£2,036,178.21	£0.00	£1,291.19	£1,291.19	£2,037,469.39
Coldfall Primary School	Primary	630.00	£3,017,210.71	£0.00	£2,378.50	£2,378.50	£3,019,589.21
Tetherdown Primary School	Primary	411.00	£1,993,444.90	£0.00	£1,551.69	£1,551.69	£1,994,996.59
Rokesly Junior School	Primary	330.00	£1,719,637.36	£0.00	£1,245.88	£1,245.88	£1,720,883.24
Rokesly Infant & Nursery School	Primary	236.00	£1,264,859.83	£0.00	£890.99	£890.99	£1,265,750.83
South Harringay Junior School	Primary	209.00	£1,204,039.51	£5,332.76	£789.06	£6,121.82	£1,210,161.33
South Harringay Infant School	Primary	175.00	£1,098,697.43	£4,779.35	£660.69	£5,440.04	£1,104,137.47
West Green Primary School	Primary	197.00	£1,255,794.66	£3,437.26	£743.75	£4,181.01	£1,259,975.67
Tiverton Primary School	Primary	301.00	£1,863,787.91	£0.00	£1,136.39	£1,136.39	£1,864,924.31
Coleridge Primary School	Primary	833.00	£4,080,846.71	£0.00	£3,144.90	£3,144.90	£4,083,991.62
Welbourne Primary School	Primary	440.00	£2,624,537.71	£0.00	£1,661.17	£1,661.17	£2,626,198.88
Lea Valley Primary School	Primary	372.00	£2,200,376.52	£0.00	£1,404.45	£1,404.45	£2,201,780.97
Ferry Lane Primary School	Primary	126.00	£865,635.76	£3,505.98	£475.70	£3,981.67	£869,617.44
Rhodes Avenue Primary School	Primary	631.00	£2,963,298.88	£0.00	£2,382.27	£2,382.27	£2,965,681.16
Crowland Primary School	Primary	338.00	£1,924,018.67	£1,056.04	£1,276.08	£2,332.12	£1,926,350.79
Weston Park Primary School	Primary	188.00	£1,051,915.34	£0.00	£709.77	£709.77	£1,052,625.12
The Willow Primary School	Primary	393.00	£2,253,037.03	£0.00	£1,483.73	£1,483.73	£2,254,520.76
Alexandra Primary School	Primary	360.00	£2,074,806.67	£9,861.46	£1,359.14	£11,220.60	£2,086,027.27
Stroud Green Primary School	Primary	299.00	£1,730,845.36	£8,059.96	£1,128.84	£9,188.81	£1,740,034.17
Earlham Primary School	Primary	258.00	£1,584,108.50	£7,252.95	£974.05	£8,227.01	£1,592,335.50
Lordship Lane Primary School	Primary	480.00	£2,718,701.46	£0.00	£1,812.19	£1,812.19	£2,720,513.65
Bruce Grove Primary School	Primary	308.00	£1,832,032.38	£0.00	£1,162.82	£1,162.82	£1,833,195.20
Risley Avenue Primary School	Primary	492.00	£2,809,253.35	£0.00	£1,857.49	£1,857.49	£2,811,110.85
Muswell Hill Primary School	Primary	418.00	£2,028,700.89	£0.00	£1,578.12	£1,578.12	£2,030,279.01
Seven Sisters Primary School	Primary	253.00	£1,686,817.70	£7,783.30	£955.18	£8,738.48	£1,695,556.18
St Aidan's Voluntary Controlled Prim	Primary	203.00	£1,108,505.02	£0.00	£766.41	£766.41	£1,109,271.43
The Mulberry Primary School	Primary	557.00	£3,229,283.76	£13,826.37	£2,102.90	£15,929.26	£3,245,213.03
St Michael's CofE Voluntary Aided Pri	Primary	406.00	£1,958,709.80	£0.00	£1,532.81	£1,532.81	£1,960,242.61
St James Church of England Primary	Primary	218.00	£1,116,616.82	£0.00	£823.04	£823.04	£1,117,439.86
St Mary's CofE Primary School	Primary	423.00	£2,339,072.33	£0.00	£1,596.99	£1,596.99	£2,340,669.32
Our Lady of Muswell Catholic Primar	Primary	378.00	£1,902,085.07	£0.00	£1,427.10	£1,427.10	£1,903,512.17
St Francis de Sales RC Junior School	Primary	321.00	£1,820,415.51	£0.00	£1,211.90	£1,211.90	£1,821,627.41
St Ignatius RC Primary School	Primary	304.00	£1,744,620.85	£0.00	£1,147.72	£1,147.72	£1,745,768.57
St Mary's Priory RC Junior School	Primary	192.00	£1,124,912.42	£0.00	£724.88	£724.88	£1,125,637.29
St Paul's RC Primary School	Primary	179.00	£1,072,410.05	£4,758.24	£675.80	£5,434.03	£1,077,844.08
St Mary's Priory RC Infant School	Primary	123.00	£818,318.16	£0.00	£464.37	£464.37	£818,782.53
St Peter-in-Chains RC Infant School	Primary	72.00	£506,626.44	£0.00	£271.83	£271.83	£506,898.27
St Francis de Sales RC Infant School	Primary	196.00	£1,200,987.13	£0.00	£739.98	£739.98	£1,201,727.11
St Martin of Porres RC Primary Schoo	Primary	160.00	£911,879.58	£0.00	£604.06	£604.06	£912,483.64
St Gildas' Catholic Junior School	Primary	147.00	£858,793.75	£0.00	£554.98	£554.98	£859,348.73
St John Vianney RC Primary School	Primary	199.00	£1,176,798.95	£5,308.66	£751.30	£6,059.96	£1,182,858.91
Chestnuts Primary School	Primary	395.00	£2,151,754.68	£10,414.32	£1,491.28	£11,905.60	£2,163,660.29
North Harringay Primary School	Primary	390.00	£2,097,503.89	£10,122.69	£1,472.40	£11,595.09	£2,109,098.98
Hornsey School for Girls	Secondary	783.00	£5,865,722.28	£30,129.38	£2,956.13	£33,085.52	£5,898,807.80
Highgate Wood Secondary School	Secondary	1,296.00	£8,942,302.09	£46,375.17	£4,892.91	£51,268.09	£8,993,570.17
Fortismere School	Secondary	1,329.00	£8,510,875.50	£44,671.46	£5,017.50	£49,688.96	£8,560,564.47
Gladesmore Community School	Secondary	1,315.00	£10,653,719.04	£55,102.08	£4,964.64	£60,066.73	£10,713,785.77
Park View School	Secondary	1,151.00	£8,895,497.97	£46,242.27	£4,345.48	£50,587.75	£8,946,085.72
Eden Primary	Primary Academy	192.00	£1,001,585.94	£2,945.52	£724.88	£3,670.39	£1,005,256.33
Brook House Primary School	Primary Academy	385.00	£2,374,326.82	£11,537.08	£1,453.53	£12,990.60	£2,387,317.42
Harris Primary Academy Coleraine Pa	Primary Academy	414.00	£2,451,409.77	£11,981.47	£1,563.01	£13,544.49	£2,464,954.26
Harris Primary Academy Philip Lane	Primary Academy	398.00	£2,213,802.15	£10,736.47	£1,502.61	£12,239.08	£2,226,041.23
Noel Park Primary School	Primary Academy	526.00	£2,926,081.92	£13,519.35	£1,985.86	£15,505.21	£2,941,587.12
Trinity Primary Academy	Primary Academy	437.00	£2,481,422.94	£12,147.86	£1,649.85	£13,797.71	£2,495,220.65
Holy Trinity CofE Primary School	Primary Academy	157.00	£981,265.72	£0.00	£592.74	£592.74	£981,858.46
St Paul's and All Hallows CofE Infant	Primary Academy	85.00	£624,644.08	£0.00	£320.91	£320.91	£624,964.99
St Ann's CE Primary School	Primary Academy	171.00	£1,024,931.37	£0.00	£645.59	£645.59	£1,025,576.97
St Michael's CofE Primary School	Primary Academy	138.00	£852,863.44	£0.00	£521.00	£521.00	£853,384.45
St Paul's and All Hallows CofE Junior	Primary Academy	137.00	£883,816.45	£0.00	£517.23	£517.23	£884,333.68
Duke's Aldridge	Secondary Acade	1,067.00	£8,586,647.91	£45,110.27	£4,028.35	£49,138.62	£8,635,786.53
Woodside High School	Secondary Acade	1,184.00	£9,597,428.11	£50,470.78	£4,470.07	£54,940.85	£9,652,368.96
Alexandra Park School	Secondary Acade	1,163.00	£7,738,710.73	£40,653.28	£4,390.78	£45,044.07	£7,783,754.80
St Thomas More Catholic School	Secondary Acade	1,036.00	£8,536,380.78	£45,010.72	£3,911.31	£48,922.03	£8,585,302.81
Heartlands High School	Secondary Acade	1,203.00	£9,635,057.45	£50,413.47	£4,541.80	£54,955.28	£9,690,012.73
Greig City Academy	Secondary Acade	851.00	£6,822,513.77	£35,973.83	£3,212.86	£39,186.69	£6,861,700.46
Harris Academy Tottenham	Primary Academy	1,152.00	£8,254,579.00	£43,633.95	£4,349.26	£47,983.21	£8,302,562.21