

Rotherham Schools' Forum

Venue: **Rockingham Professional Development Centre** Date: **Friday, 16 January 2015**

Time: **8.00 a.m.**

A G E N D A

1. Training session.

8.00 – 8.30 a.m.

Explanation of the DSG 2015/2016 funding.

It is important that all members of the Rotherham Schools' Forum understand this and representatives are asked to ensure that they are present for this session.

2. Welcome and introductions.
3. Apologies for absence.
4. Declarations of Interest.
5. Minutes and matters arising of the previous meeting held on Friday 28th November, 2014. (Pages 1 - 3)
6. Learners First update.
 - Progress on devolving money to Schools.
7. Centrally retained services.
 - Update on buy-back models and offer.
 - **A primary and secondary vote is required** to determine whether to delegate all monies to Schools in 2015/2016. (previous vote taken on 2015/2016 budget).

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commitments or increases in expenditure from 2014-15.

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| Children in Public Care | £152,000 |
| Voice and Influence | £3,143 |
| Education Welfare | £31,000 |
| Outdoor Education Co-ordinator | £24,649 |
| Training for Children with Medical Needs | £45,500 |
| Moving and Handling Account | £45,500 |
| Sexual Exploitation Team | £45,208 |
| Operational Safeguarding Unit | £66,000 |
| Termination of employment costs | £157,000 |
| SEN Transport | £101,000 |
| TOTAL | £2,852,652 |

8. Update on centrally held funds.

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- A vote may be required on the Pupil Growth Fund.

Table 4 – Can be centrally retained before allocating formula and **can be increased**.

| Service | 2014-15 |
|----------------|----------------|
|----------------|----------------|

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|---|-----------------|
| Pupil Growth Fund | £400,000 |
| Copyright Licensing Agency, Education Recording Agency & Music Publishers Association | £144,412 |
| TOTAL | £544,412 |

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9. Classroom start-up funding for new schools. (Pages 4 - 8)

Dean Fenton/Mark Smith

- **Vote required.**

10. Educated Other Than At School (EOTAS). (Pages 9 - 11)

Lorraine Lichfield

- Behaviour Support (£170,000) and Children in Public Care (£152,000). A range of models to be presented. **A Primary and Secondary vote will be required.**
- Part of the decision here will depend on the decision taken under agenda item 2 – centrally retained services).

Q3. Should sums continue to be de-delegated from maintained school budgets in 2015-16?

Table 2

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| De-delegated budgets | % of schools in agreement |
|----------------------|---------------------------|

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
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11. High Needs update - paper to follow.
 - Donald Rae to provide an update.
12. Budget monitoring update. (Pages 12 - 17)
 - To the period ending November, 2014.
13. Date and time of next meetings: -
 - Friday 6th March, 2015;
 - Friday 24th April, 2015;
 - Friday 26th June, 2015.

All to start at 8.30 a.m. at the Rockingham Professional Development Centre.

1. SEND update: -

Donald Rae presented a range of information on SEND issues and outcomes in Rotherham. The High Needs Working Party has had its first meeting. Continuing updates will be provided to the Rotherham Schools' Forum.

Wider representation on the High Needs Working Party is welcome, particularly within the Secondary phase. Attendance is not limited to Headteacher or SLT level; SENCos would be welcome and could make an important contribution.

2. Educated Other Than At School: -

Lorraine Lichfield presented a new model for EOTAS that she feels will make significant differences towards the education and tracking of children who are educated other than at school.

Rotherham Schools' Forum will need to make a decision in January as to whether funding arrangements remain as they are at present or whether money is delegated to schools and a Service Level Agreement is established.

3. Learners First: -

All Schools should have received notification of: -

- A) Money being devolved back to schools that had originally been earmarked centrally within the Local Authority;
- B) A letter from Learners First outlining subscription charges.

The Rotherham Schools' Forum confirmed that the money would be delegated to Schools in 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 so that Schools wishing to take the two-year option could do so with an assurance about the funding.

Larger schools dealing with a larger amount of money would be required to obtain two quotations for the work. The Local Authority was looking into exempting this Standing Order(s) as Learners First is a unique model and it would not be possible to obtain other like-for-like quotations.

4. Formula Consultation with Schools: -

The Rotherham Schools' Forum would need to take a number of decisions at the meeting scheduled for 16th January, 2015, on the potential Mobility Factor, Lump-Sum Factor for Schools that had amalgamated and were in their second year.

In addition, decisions would be taken on all de-delegated and centrally retained budgets: -

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Voting and decision making at Rotherham Schools' Forum meetings: -

Can I remind schools that the Learning Community Representative is voting on behalf of the Learning Community. This means that they would be voting on behalf of primary, secondary, maintained and academies in their Learning Community.

For example: - Paul Blackwell, Dinnington Learning Community Representative – as a Secondary Headteacher – would vote on behalf of the Learning Community on a primary only decision – hence the need for Learning Communities to regularly discuss Rotherham Schools' Forum issues.

5. Centrally held funds: -

Dorothy Smith gave a commitment to the Rotherham Schools' Forum to look at drawing up Service Level Agreements for centrally and de-delegated funds. Timescales are to be confirmed, with Dorothy preferring April 2016, and a number of Forum Members expressing an earlier preference, April or September, 2015.

6. City Learning Centres: -

Discussion was held on City Learning Centres and potential threats going forward relating to the CLCs' surpluses being used to off-set the Local Authority's budget deficit. The LA can legally do this.

7. Formula for new schools: -

Discussion was held on an appropriate funding formula for brand new schools that opened.

FS outdoors

| | | | |
|--------------|----------|---|------------|
| bike | £ 92.00 | 2 | £ 184.00 |
| varied bikes | £ 420.00 | 2 | £ 840.00 |
| | | | £ 1,024.00 |

EYFS Resources

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----------|----|----------|
| rhythm world kit | £ 135.00 | 1 | £ 135.00 |
| multicultural basket | £ 157.00 | 1 | £ 157.00 |
| eight note combi bells | £ 28.60 | 1 | £ 28.60 |
| ks1 percussion | £ 100.00 | 1 | £ 100.00 |
| wak a tuber | £ 13.00 | 1 | £ 13.00 |
| music trolley | £ 268.25 | 1 | £ 268.25 |
| gathering drum | £ 199.99 | 1 | £ 199.99 |
| egg shakers | £ 2.50 | 10 | £ 25.00 |
| tambourine | £ 8.00 | 1 | £ 8.00 |
| fush glockenspeil | £ 31.00 | 2 | £ 62.00 |
| sand and water play set | £ 26.50 | 1 | £ 26.50 |
| sand and water wheel | £ 6.50 | 4 | £ 26.00 |
| boat fleet | £ 10.90 | 4 | £ 43.60 |
| water play kit | £ 75.00 | 1 | £ 75.00 |
| mixed moulds | £ 26.72 | 1 | £ 26.72 |
| grabber set | £ 16.00 | 2 | £ 32.00 |
| sail away shapes | £ 12.78 | 2 | £ 25.56 |
| sand vehicle set | £ 196.00 | 1 | £ 196.00 |
| binoculars | £ 7.09 | 1 | £ 7.09 |
| windy playground set | £ 99.95 | 1 | £ 99.95 |
| traffic lights | £ 112.68 | 1 | £ 112.68 |
| lollipop sign | £ 41.37 | 1 | £ 41.37 |
| road safety set | £ 159.95 | 1 | £ 159.95 |
| wheel barrow | £ 69.95 | 1 | £ 69.95 |
| natural blocks | £ 32.00 | 2 | £ 64.00 |
| colour building blocks | £ 21.00 | 2 | £ 42.00 |
| construction blocks | £ 44.00 | 2 | £ 88.00 |
| magnetic construction | £ 156.00 | 2 | £ 312.00 |
| nuts and bolts | £ 16.25 | 2 | £ 32.50 |
| block | £ 17.35 | 2 | £ 34.70 |
| tubi construction | £ 64.99 | 2 | £ 129.98 |
| knex | £ 72.95 | 3 | £ 218.85 |
| sticklebricks | £ 54.30 | 2 | £ 108.60 |
| mobile set | £ 48.00 | 2 | £ 96.00 |
| insterster | £ 67.00 | 2 | £ 134.00 |
| wheels and axles | £ 19.98 | 2 | £ 39.96 |
| claw set | £ 99.96 | 2 | £ 199.92 |
| lego duplo | £ 44.01 | 2 | £ 88.02 |

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|-------------------------|------------|---|------------|
| lego | £ 35.65 | 2 | £ 71.30 |
| community people | £ 35.97 | 4 | £ 143.88 |
| wheels and axles | £ 29.53 | 2 | £ 59.06 |
| windows | £ 30.83 | 2 | £ 61.66 |
| farm | £ 95.99 | 2 | £ 191.98 |
| wild | £ 65.82 | 2 | £ 131.64 |
| jigsaws | £ 1,000.00 | 1 | £ 1,000.00 |
| small world tray | £ 3,500.00 | 1 | £ 3,500.00 |
| garage | £ 59.99 | 1 | £ 59.99 |
| police | £ 73.15 | 1 | £ 73.15 |
| farm | £ 70.50 | 1 | £ 70.50 |
| fire station | £ 56.95 | 1 | £ 56.95 |
| space | £ 130.00 | 1 | £ 130.00 |
| construction site | £ 175.00 | 1 | £ 175.00 |
| castle | £ 85.00 | 1 | £ 85.00 |
| city blocks | £ 104.63 | 1 | £ 104.63 |
| airport | £ 102.90 | 1 | £ 102.90 |
| super reading | £ 74.87 | 1 | £ 74.87 |
| train sets | £ 12.79 | 2 | £ 25.58 |
| shopping trolley | £ 62.00 | 1 | £ 62.00 |
| play food | £ 103.00 | 1 | £ 103.00 |
| bread | £ 44.00 | 1 | £ 44.00 |
| veg | £ 15.60 | 1 | £ 15.60 |
| winter veg | £ 17.05 | 1 | £ 17.05 |
| multi coloural food | £ 22.10 | 1 | £ 22.10 |
| home corner | £ 3,000.00 | 2 | £ 6,000.00 |
| prams | £ 32.47 | 4 | £ 129.88 |
| dolls | £ 47.36 | 6 | £ 6.00 |
| role play dress up | £ 2,500.00 | 1 | £ 2,500.00 |
| creative cascade | £ 199.95 | 1 | £ 199.95 |
| weaving frames | £ 360.00 | 1 | £ 360.00 |
| outdoor markmaking | £ 84.95 | 1 | £ 84.95 |
| enchanted house | £ 179.95 | 1 | £ 179.95 |
| natural materials | £ 400.00 | 1 | £ 400.00 |
| giant number frames | £ 99.99 | 2 | £ 199.98 |
| mirror blocks | £ 71.95 | 1 | £ 71.95 |
| squidgy sparkly numbers | £ 18.95 | 2 | £ 37.90 |
| letters | £ 32.95 | 2 | £ 65.90 |
| shapes | £ 14.99 | 2 | £ 29.98 |
| 0-20 | £ 39.99 | 2 | £ 79.98 |
| tabards | £ 19.10 | 3 | £ 57.30 |
| cvc bag | £ 42.95 | 2 | £ 85.90 |
| talking magnifer | £ 59.95 | 2 | £ 119.90 |
| remote control car | £ 99.95 | 1 | £ 99.95 |
| easi dectory | £ 99.95 | 1 | £ 99.95 |

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| talking pegs | £ 36.95 | 2 | £ 73.90 |
| talking turtles | £ 42.95 | 2 | £ 85.90 |
| rainbow talk time | £ 23.95 | 2 | £ 47.90 |
| talking pointers | £ 29.95 | 2 | £ 59.90 |
| creative equipment | £ 3,000.00 | 1 | £ 3,000.00 |
| drying rack | £ 52.00 | 2 | £ 104.00 |
| mark making | £ 3,000.00 | 1 | £ 3,000.00 |
| | | | £ 27,090.60 |

Resources for four classrooms (KS1 & KS2)

| KS1 & 2 classrooms | price | quantity | total |
|--------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| knex | £ 27.50 | 4 | £ 110.00 |
| bee bots | £ 89.99 | 3 | £ 269.97 |
| trolley and tools | £ 93.00 | 4 | £ 372.00 |
| tools | £ 12.99 | 6 | £ 77.94 |
| lego | £ 143.20 | 3 | £ 429.60 |
| glue guns | £ 9.80 | 10 | £ 98.00 |
| glue sticks | £ 3.60 | 4 | £ 14.40 |
| globe | £ 24.95 | 4 | £ 99.80 |
| A4 Whiteboards | £ 39.95 | 6 | £ 239.70 |
| wipe off pens | £ 55.24 | 2 | £ 110.48 |
| wipe off rubbers | £ 10.95 | 6 | £ 65.70 |
| pencils | £ 107.90 | 1 | £ 107.90 |
| handwriting pens | £ 31.95 | 10 | £ 319.50 |
| rubbers | £ 1.49 | 1 | £ 1.49 |
| pencil sharpener | £ 13.90 | 1 | £ 13.90 |
| scissors | £ 32.00 | 6 | £ 192.00 |
| postits | £ 14.99 | 10 | £ 149.90 |
| glue stick | £ 27.95 | 6 | £ 167.70 |
| blue tac | £ 7.47 | 10 | £ 74.70 |
| sellotape | £ 4.10 | 10 | £ 41.00 |
| hole punch | £ 6.06 | 6 | £ 36.36 |
| stapler | £ 6.95 | 6 | £ 41.70 |
| wall stapler | £ 8.23 | 6 | £ 49.38 |
| staples | £ 1.69 | 10 | £ 16.90 |
| rulers | £ 1.40 | 20 | £ 28.00 |
| ring binders | £ 0.90 | 150 | £ 135.00 |
| wallets | £ 6.15 | 5 | £ 30.75 |
| suspension files | £ 3.75 | 15 | £ 56.25 |
| zip storage | £ 6.95 | 36 | £ 250.20 |
| pastels | £ 14.40 | 5 | £ 72.00 |
| felt tips | £ 2.36 | 30 | £ 70.80 |
| pencil crayons | £ 11.95 | 6 | £ 71.70 |
| exercise books | £ 20.80 | 6 | £ 124.80 |
| paper | £ 3.16 | 100 | £ 316.00 |
| a4 card | £ 6.45 | 8 | £ 51.60 |
| pencil pots | £ 0.76 | 60 | £ 45.60 |
| storage baskets | £ 65.00 | 24 | £ 1,560.00 |
| small world tray | £ 20.00 | 6 | £ 120.00 |
| laminating pouches | £ 38.00 | 20 | £ 760.00 |
| paper art | £ 4.95 | 15 | £ 74.25 |
| powder paint | £ 8.94 | 35 | £ 312.90 |
| watercolours | £ 14.95 | 36 | £ 538.20 |

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|------------------------|---|--------|-----|---|-----------|
| palettes | £ | 0.97 | 160 | £ | 155.20 |
| paint pots | £ | 6.09 | 15 | £ | 91.35 |
| water pots | £ | 0.76 | 80 | £ | 60.80 |
| paint brushes | £ | 14.65 | 6 | £ | 87.90 |
| sketching pencils | £ | 2.79 | 60 | £ | 167.40 |
| modelling clay | £ | 15.59 | 20 | £ | 311.80 |
| art straws | £ | 12.70 | 6 | £ | 76.20 |
| display paper | £ | 10.70 | 20 | £ | 214.00 |
| drapes | £ | 40.00 | 6 | £ | 240.00 |
| large cushions | £ | 149.95 | 6 | £ | 899.70 |
| rug | £ | 125.00 | 6 | £ | 750.00 |
| multilink | £ | 50.00 | 6 | £ | 300.00 |
| calculators | £ | 54.95 | 4 | £ | 219.80 |
| stop watches | £ | 9.99 | 6 | £ | 59.94 |
| tape measures | £ | 6.99 | 4 | £ | 27.96 |
| weights | £ | 26.15 | 6 | £ | 156.90 |
| capacity containers | £ | 9.99 | 24 | £ | 239.76 |
| balance | £ | 38.80 | 6 | £ | 232.80 |
| maths dominoes | £ | 7.02 | 24 | £ | 168.48 |
| number bones | £ | 23.38 | 1 | £ | 23.38 |
| number owls | £ | 7.95 | 6 | £ | 47.70 |
| multiplication squares | £ | 12.95 | 6 | £ | 77.70 |
| numbers up | £ | 10.60 | 60 | £ | 636.00 |
| arrow cards | £ | 2.95 | 150 | £ | 442.50 |
| deans | £ | 29.99 | 24 | £ | 719.76 |
| fraction fans | £ | 13.95 | 6 | £ | 83.70 |
| plastic money | £ | 18.40 | 6 | £ | 110.40 |
| coin die | £ | 2.00 | 6 | £ | 12.00 |
| polydron | £ | 99.95 | 3 | £ | 299.85 |
| 3d shapes | £ | 13.10 | 6 | £ | 78.60 |
| 2d shapes | £ | 20.95 | 6 | £ | 125.70 |
| counters | £ | 10.95 | 2 | £ | 21.90 |
| Rainbow Dice set 6 | £ | 14.99 | 1 | £ | 14.99 |
| PVC pocket dice | £ | 9.66 | 4 | £ | 38.64 |
| dice spots | £ | 2.20 | 4 | £ | 8.80 |
| dice numbers 1-6 | £ | 3.07 | 4 | £ | 12.28 |
| dice numbers 7-12 | £ | 3.07 | 4 | £ | 12.28 |
| Sand timers 1m | £ | 6.99 | 12 | £ | 83.88 |
| Sand timer 10m | £ | 7.49 | 12 | £ | 89.88 |
| Sand Timer 30m | £ | 7.49 | 12 | £ | 89.88 |
| Counting Stick 1m | £ | 9.55 | 6 | £ | 57.30 |
| Mini stick pack | £ | 10.95 | 6 | £ | 65.70 |
| | | | | £ | 15,330.88 |

EOTAS – report for Schools Forum 16.01.15

The remit of the EOTAS team is:

- Matters relating to exclusions, supporting both the LA and school requirements
- Liaison with families with regard to exclusions and managed moves
- Overview and support for ‘managed moves’ arrangements
- Brokerage of arrangements between schools and between schools and PRUs
- Overview of pupils accessing PRU system, ensuring appropriate offer in place (safeguarding)
- Support for and challenge to PRUs through active participation in management committees
- Strategic issues relating to these areas

An overview of data related to these areas is provided to help inform Schools Forum of the volume and nature of work that the EOTAS team is involved in:

Managed Moves

A detailed Managed Moves protocol was produced in 2013. Primary schools are now being encouraged to consider managed moves as a possible option (with parent/carer approval) if a pupil requires a ‘fresh start’ elsewhere. The LA is currently aware of 8 secondary managed moves in process and 1 primary.

| Managed Moves | | |
|---------------|------------|--------------|
| 2013-14 | Successful | Unsuccessful |
| Primary | | |
| Secondary | 19 | 11 |
| Special | | |
| Total | 19 | 11 |

| Managed Moves | | | |
|---------------|------------|--------------|---------|
| 2014-15 | Successful | Unsuccessful | Pending |
| Primary | | | 1 |
| Secondary | | | 8 |
| Special | | | |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 9 |

Exclusions (Data correct as of 15/12/14)

The number of both fixed and permanent exclusions are rising. This is a picture reflected elsewhere in South Yorkshire and nationally. Some authorities operate a ‘zero’ permanent exclusion policy in conjunction with their schools – however, the numbers of pupils being transferred out of their host schools in those authorities is also rising resulting in massive pressure on the pru systems involved. In some areas the local ‘Fair Access’ policy results in the most vulnerable pupils being ‘bounced’ around the authority between schools and between schools and PRU. Those pupils are ‘permanently excluded’ but without the label.

Fixed Exclusion Occurrences:

| | 2011-12 | | | | 2012-13 | | | |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total |
| Primary | 91 | 84 | 97 | 272 | 31 | 66 | 112 | 209 |
| Secondary | 468 | 482 | 481 | 1431 | 633 | 551 | 550 | 1734 |
| Special | 11 | 12 | 7 | 30 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 29 |
| PRU | 3 | 4 | 12 | 19 | 31 | 18 | 38 | 87 |
| Other | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 573 | 583 | 600 | 1756 | 704 | 645 | 711 | 2060 |

| | 2013-14 | | | | 2014-present | | | |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|----------|----------|-------------|
| | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total |
| Primary | 81 | 99 | 103 | 283 | 131 | 0 | 0 | 131 |
| Secondary | 641 | 765 | 509 | 1915 | 834 | 0 | 0 | 834 |
| Special | 21 | 15 | 13 | 49 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| PRU | 42 | 56 | 46 | 144 | 72 | 0 | 0 | 72 |
| Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 785 | 935 | 671 | 2391 | 1052 | 0 | 0 | 1052 |

*Autumn 2014 data is incomplete as:

- a) schools are only obliged to report on fixed-term exclusions termly.
- b) all data has not yet been received or inputted.

Fixed Exclusions - days lost in education

| | 2011-12 | | | | 2012-13 | | | |
|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total |
| Primary | 194.5 | 180.5 | 228.5 | 603.5 | 244.5 | 117.5 | 210 | 572 |
| Secondary | 1015 | 1004.5 | 975.5 | 2995 | 1375.5 | 1201.5 | 1224 | 3801 |
| Special | 16.5 | 23.5 | 17 | 57 | 21 | 15 | 33.5 | 69.5 |
| PRU | 7 | 9 | 35 | 51 | 48 | 23 | 67.5 | 138.5 |
| Other | 0 | 1 | 9.5 | 10.5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 1233 | 1218.5 | 1265.5 | 3717 | 1690 | 1357 | 1535 | 4582 |

| | 2013-14 | | | | 2014-present | | | |
|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total | Autumn | Spring | Summer | Total |
| Primary | 154 | 179.5 | 199.5 | 533 | 257 | 0 | 0 | 257 |
| Secondary | 1465 | 1764 | 1078 | 4307 | 1637 | 0 | 0 | 1637 |
| Special | 45.5 | 26.5 | 21 | 93 | 45.5 | 0 | 0 | 45.5 |
| PRU | 67 | 95 | 86 | 248 | 161.5 | 0 | 0 | 161.5 |
| Other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1731.5 | 2065 | 1384.5 | 5181 | 2101 | 0 | 0 | 2101 |

Permanent exclusions

| Academic Year | 2008 - 2009 | | | 2009 - 2010 | | | 2010 - 2011 | | |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|----------|-------------|-----------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| | px only | converted | other | px only | converted | other | px only | converted | other |
| Primary | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| Secondary | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 1 | 7 |
| Special | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 2 | 11 |

| Academic Year | 2011 - 2012 | | | 2012 - 2013 | | | 2013 - 2014 | | |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|-------|-------------|-----------|-------|-------------|-----------|-------|
| | px only | converted | other | px only | converted | other | px only | converted | other |
| Primary | 12 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 3 |

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|------------------|----|---|---|----|---|---|----|---|----|
| Secondary | 13 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 22 | 2 | 10 |
| Special | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 25 | 0 | 3 | 18 | 0 | 3 | 28 | 2 | 13 |

| Academic Year | 2014-2015 | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | px only | converted | Withdrawn | other | pending |
| Primary | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Secondary | 5 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 3 |
| Special | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 6 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 5 |

'Withdrawn' px's are also within 'other' data as 'other' arrangements have been put into place for those pupils. They have not remained in their original mainstream school.

In 2006 an 'Alternative Curriculum' offer existed for those permanently excluded KS4 pupils deemed 'unable' to access GCSEs with the PRU. These pupils were not permitted to access the KS4 PRU in 2006. At that time there were approx. 10 students who were given offsite provision and managed by a small team. By 2008 those numbers had risen to over 40 pupils and consisted of predominantly 'virtual' permanent exclusions and managed by the same small team. During this period most of these students were not able to access the 'partnership pru' arrangement that existed from 2009. The 'Alternative Curriculum' offer continued until the PRU restructure ended it with effect from January 2014. The px numbers therefore from 2008 to Jan 2014 are not a true reflection of the situation during this period.

PRU numbers

Rotherham Aspire is registered as a 65 place pru for secondary aged pupils and currently receives base funding for all 65 with top-up for 60 pupils. Current numbers (as at 1st Jan 2015) are 66 full-time equivalent places filled (made up of 77 pupils). Schools have additional pupils requiring urgent placement and support from Rotherham Aspire – secondary.

Rotherham Aspire is registered as a 24 place pru for primary aged pupils and currently receives full funding for all 24 places. There are currently 20 full-time equivalent places filled (made up of 23 pupils) with a waiting list of others requiring urgent placement.

Rowan is registered as a 25 place pru for secondary aged pupils with health-related needs. Pupils that need to be placed urgently and imminently will take the number of pupils to over 28 full-time equivalent places filled. In addition, there is a waiting list of referrals.

Traded Model

A traded model (as requested by Schools Forum – Dec 2014) has been considered and discussed with senior members of the LA (DLT 15.12.14). However, it has been agreed by those officers that the EOTAS agenda does not support a traded model approach.

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11th January 2015

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| 1. | Meeting: | Rotherham Schools Forum |
| 2. | Date: | 16 th January 2015 |
| 3. | Title: | Total Schools Budget Monitoring Report as at 30 th November 2014 |
| 4. | Directorate: | Resources – Financial Services Children and Young People’s Services |

5. Summary

This report confirms the Total Schools budgeted allocation for 2014/15 and projected outturn against this budget based on expenditure up to the 30th November 2014.

The Total Schools budget available after confirmation of the Dedicated Schools Grant allocation, the EFA post 16 SEN funding for 2014/15 and the DSG Carry-forward from 2013/14 is £145.764m (after deductions for Academy recoupment).

The current projected outturn against the above budget based on expenditure up to the 30th November 2014 is an over spend of £1.258m (0.86% over budget), including the agreed carry-forward allocations from 2013/14 to 2014/15 financial year.

6. Recommendations

That the Schools Forum receives and notes confirmation of the revised Total Schools Budget allocation for 2014/15.

That the Schools Forum notes the current projected outturn position for the year 2014/15.

7. Revision to Total Schools Budget 2014/15

The total amount of grant funding available to Rotherham is now £145.764m which is a total reduction of £16.299m from the original Total Schools Budget set at the start of the financial year. Since the revised budget was reported to Forum in October there has been a further reduction to the Total Schools Budget of 5.941m.

This is due to a further reduction of DSG in the Schools Block as a result of additional recouplement of £5.886m following the academy conversion of Rawmarsh Community, Bramley Grange, Rawmarsh Monkwood, St Albarns, Anston Greenlands, Dalton Listerdale and Wickersley Northfield Schools.

In addition the DSG for the High Needs block has been reduced by £55k for the 6 month place funding for pupils at the Hearing Impaired Resource Unit at Bramley Grange following conversion to Academy.

8. Total Schools Budget Projected Outturn 2014/15

The forecast outturn position is projected to be a £1.258m over spend based on the budget monitoring returns from budget holders for the period ending 30th November 2014. Details are shown in Appendix 1.

8.1.1 Budget Virements

Details of the budget virements during the period from September to November 2014 for each funding block are outlined below:-

Schools Block Virements

School Effectiveness Service

Transfer of funding for Schools of Concern to Ferham £3.4k, Wickersley Northfield £25k and Maltby Manor £55k.

Contingencies

Transfer funding for redundancy payments at Abbey Special School £50k and Brampton Ellis £13k.

High Needs Block Virements

Special Educational Needs (Top up Funding)

Budget virements for element 3 top up funding for exceptional needs to Special School budgets £129k, Primary Schools £65k and Secondary Schools £13k for the period August to November 2014.

Additional funding of £28k transferred to St Mary's Pru for the cost of 5 additional places for the period September to March 2015. Additional funding of £15k to the Rowan Centre following the withdrawal of support from Barnardo's for the period September to March 2015.

Early Years Block Virements

Primary Delegated Budget

Additional Early years funding allocated to Bramley Grange £5.5k and Rawmarsh Monkwood £5.2k in respect of maintained early years funding prior to Academy conversion. Early Years funding of £13k for Brampton Cortonwood transferred from the PVI budget for 3 and 4 year old funding. Reduction of £216k Early Years funding from maintained school budgets for Academy payments following latest conversions.

8.1.2 Delegated Schools Budgets

For the purposes of this report the forecast outturn position on schools the DSG is estimated to be a balanced position. However, it should be noted that schools have reported a £1.245m under spend based on monitoring returns received by the 19th December, (based on returns from 78% of Schools).

8.1.3 The main variances against Revised Budget allocations are as follows:

Schools Block (£18k under spend)

Behaviour Support Service (Eotas)

Under spend of £22k due to staff slippage of £13k (staff restructure and not filling vacant posts), under spend on premises costs £4k and supplies £5k.

Children in Public Care

Under spend of £22k due to staff slippage as a result of not filling a vacant post pending restructure of service.

Contingency

Over spend on Pupil Growth Fund allocations to Primary Schools of £11k. Overspend of £57k due to termination of employment and pension costs and under spend of £24k on copyright licences due to actual costs being lower than estimated.

Trade Union Activities

Under spend of £6k forecast due to additional income from Academies £9k offset by additional staffing costs of £3k for increase in staff time on Academy work.

Free School Meals Assessment

Underspend of £6k due to additional income from Academies.

High Needs Block (£1,780m over spend)

Special Educational Needs

Forecast over spend of £1.026m due to educational equipment £118k, support packages £4k, out of authority independent non maintained school placements £870k (43 current placements and 7 pending, based on an average weekly cost of £929 per week the current budget can only fund 21 placements), Speech and Language Therapy £33k, Mind Contract £60k, projected over spend of £7k on exceptional needs payments to Special and mainstream schools (12 additional individual assigned resource payments to 5 Comprehensive and 60 payments to 31 Primary Schools, additional 24 payments to 5 Special Schools) offset by additional income of £66k from Schools for 17 permanently excluded pupils.

Post 16 to 24 Provision

Forecast over spend of £520k on post 16 SEN element 3 top up funding to Further Education Providers based on current placements for 212 students. (Average weekly cost of mainstream and local provision is £85 with average cost of independent specialist provision for high needs students at £664. Based on an overall average cost of £156 the current budget can only fund 155 placements).

SEN Complex Needs

Forecast over spend of £194k on out of authority placements in independent non maintained special schools for pupils with statements of SEN based on 25 current placements and 5 potential places. (Based on the average weekly cost of £1,705 the current budget can only fund 18 placements)

SEN Extra District Placements

An under spend of £91k has been projected and this is due to lower than expected top up funding for placements in other Local authority maintained schools £70k (based on 39 current placements) and additional income of £21k recouped from other Local authorities. (Based on the average weekly cost of £127 the current budget is sufficient to fund a total of 53 placements)

Hearing Impaired Service

Over spend of £66k due to staffing costs of £40k. Temporary staff appointed to meet the needs of an increase in the number of pupils at the resource units at Bramley and Wickersley and insufficient funding for increments and pay awards. Over spend of £11k on specialist equipment, £3k interpretation costs, £4k training costs, additional transport costs £2k and a £6k income shortfall. (Forecast is based on 11 places at Bramley, increasing to 12 in February 2015, 12 places at Wickersley and 269 pupils receiving support from the peripatetic Team).

Visually Impaired Service

Over spend of £34k due to staffing costs of £32k due to insufficient funding for increments and pay awards, advertising £1k, specialist equipment £4k offset by additional income of £3k. (Forecast is based on an active caseload of 233 pupils in the autumn of 2014-15 academic year and 26 new referrals in the first school term).

Learning Support and Autism Communication Team

Forecast under spend of £8k due to staff slippage of £16k (appointments to vacant posts), offset by £3k over spend on training costs and advertising of vacant posts, supplies £1k and shortfall of income target £4k.

Portage Service

Forecast over spend of £18k due to 14k staffing costs as a result of insufficient funding for increments and pay awards and premises costs £4k.

Home Tuition Service

Forecast over spend of £23k due to additional tutor hours based on 15 current students accessing the service and 2 referrals. (Historic budget used to fund an average of 11 students).

Early Years Block (£503k under spend)

Private, Voluntary and Independent Nursery Funding for 3 & 4 Year Olds

Forecast under spend of £75k based on anticipated take up of places. However the grant is likely to be clawed back in 2015/16 due to an anticipated reduction in places at the next census.

Early Education Funding for 2 Year Olds

Forecast under spend of £429k due to lack of take up of places in September term. 2 Year old numbers are significantly lower than expected in the original budget forecast.

9 Finance

The financial issues are discussed in section 8 above and included in Appendix 1.

10 Risks and Uncertainties

Principal risks and uncertainties relate to the 'needs led' nature of budgets in relation to Special Educational Needs pupils.

11 Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

12 Background Papers and Consultation

This report has been discussed with the Strategic Director of Children and Young People's Service, the Director of Schools and Lifelong Learning and the Strategic Director of Finance.

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APPENDIX 1

Total Schools Budget Monitoring 2014/15 as at 30th November 2014

| Description | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|----------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| | Original Budget Allocation £'000 | Academy Recoupment £'000 | Revision to Initial Estimate £'000 | Budget Virements £'000 | Estimated C/Fwd Balances from 2013/14 inc in original Budget £'000 | Add Actual C/Fwd Balances from 2013/14 £'000 | Total Adjustments £'000 | Revised Budget Allocation 2014/15 £'000 | Actual Spend 1st April to 30th November £'000 | Projected Outturn Position £'000 | Current Projected Year End Variance (over spend +/- under spend -) £'000 |
| Delegated Schools Budgets | 123,287 | -18,580 | | 701 | | | -17,879 | 105,408 | 70,272 | 105,408 | 0 |
| School Rates | 2,182 | 0 | | -76 | -47 | 462 | 339 | 2,521 | 1,681 | 2,521 | 0 |
| RSIP | 768 | | | | | 402 | 402 | 1,170 | 402 | 1,170 | 0 |
| Centrally Managed Services for Schools | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Behaviour Support (Eotas) | 170 | | | | | | 0 | 170 | 96 | 148 | -22 |
| Children in Public Care | 152 | | | | | | 0 | 152 | 96 | 130 | -22 |
| Education Welfare Central Attendance Team | 54 | | | | | | 0 | 54 | 36 | 54 | 0 |
| Operational Safeguarding - CYPS Standards and Development | 43 | | | | | | 0 | 43 | 29 | 43 | 0 |
| Sexual Exploitation Team | 45 | | | | | | 0 | 45 | 30 | 45 | 0 |
| Free School Meals Assessment | 36 | | | | | | 0 | 36 | 24 | 30 | -6 |
| School Effectiveness Service | 1,254 | | | -119 | | | -119 | 1,135 | 729 | 1,134 | -1 |
| Training for Children with Medical Needs | 46 | | | | | | 0 | 46 | 30 | 43 | -3 |
| Moving and Handling | 46 | | | | | | 0 | 46 | 30 | 43 | -2 |
| Schools Contingency: Primary Schools in Financial Difficulty | 100 | | | -50 | | | -50 | 50 | 0 | 50 | 0 |
| Schools Contingency: Redundancy | 157 | | | -74 | | | -74 | 83 | 112 | 140 | 57 |
| Schools Contingency: Pupil Growth Fund | 400 | | | -382 | | | -382 | 18 | 29 | 29 | 11 |
| Schools Contingency: CLA Licences | 144 | | -120 | | | | -120 | 24 | 0 | 0 | -24 |
| SEN Transport to Extra District Schools | 101 | | | | | | 0 | 101 | 67 | 101 | 0 |
| Trade Union Activities | 56 | | | | | | 0 | 56 | 38 | 50 | -6 |
| Young People's Service | 28 | | | | | | 0 | 28 | 19 | 28 | 0 |
| City Learning Zones | 163 | | | | | | 0 | 163 | 108 | 163 | 0 |
| TOTAL SCHOOLS BLOCK | 129,231 | -18,580 | -120 | 0 | -47 | 863 | -17,885 | 111,347 | 73,828 | 111,328 | -18 |
| Special Schools Delegated Budget | 5,851 | | | 4,472 | | | 4,472 | 10,323 | 6,882 | 10,323 | 0 |
| Special Educational Needs (Top up funding for Special Schools and independent non maintained Special School placements) | 5,473 | | -6 | -4,359 | | | -4,365 | 1,107 | 1,595 | 2,133 | 1,026 |
| Primary Delegated - Exceptional Needs Top up Funding and Specialist Resource Units | 1,328 | | | -153 | | | -153 | 1,175 | 784 | 1,175 | 0 |
| Secondary Delegated - Exceptional Needs Top Up Funding and Specialist Resource Unit | 415 | | | -3 | | | -3 | 412 | 275 | 412 | 0 |
| Post 16-24 Provision | 920 | | | | | | 0 | 920 | 820 | 1,440 | 520 |
| Special Educational Complex Needs - Statemented Placements - Out of Authority - Independent and non maintained Schools | 745 | | 264 | -140 | 1,632 | -888 | 868 | 1,614 | 1,526 | 1,807 | 194 |
| SEN Extra District Placements | 350 | | | | | | 0 | 350 | 147 | 259 | -91 |
| SEN Assessment Team | 51 | | | | | | 0 | 51 | 39 | 53 | 2 |
| Commissioning Team (SEND Placements) | 34 | | | | | | 0 | 34 | 22 | 34 | 0 |
| Early Years ASD Support | 92 | | | | | | 0 | 92 | 65 | 89 | -3 |
| Hearing Impaired Service | 550 | | -55 | | | | -55 | 495 | 425 | 561 | 66 |
| Visual Impaired Service | 413 | | | | | | 0 | 413 | 283 | 447 | 34 |
| Learning Support Service and Autism Communication Team (Inc READ Service) | 570 | | | | | 25 | 25 | 595 | 361 | 586 | -8 |
| Portage | 201 | | | | | | 0 | 201 | 158 | 219 | 18 |
| Pupil Referral Units - Delegated Budget | 1,981 | | | 42 | | | 42 | 2,023 | 1,349 | 2,023 | 0 |
| Educated Other than at School - Transport | 40 | | | | | | 0 | 40 | 37 | 40 | 0 |
| Home Tuition Service | 73 | | | | | | 0 | 73 | 58 | 96 | 23 |
| Children and Families Disability | 28 | | | 140 | | | 140 | 168 | 95 | 168 | 0 |
| TOTAL HIGH NEEDS BLOCK | 19,114 | 0 | 203 | 0 | 1,632 | -863 | 972 | 20,086 | 14,922 | 21,866 | 1,780 |
| Nursery Delegated Budget | 1,729 | | 0 | -15 | | | -15 | 1,714 | 1,143 | 1,714 | 0 |
| Primary Delegated Budget | 4,628 | | | -1,151 | | | -1,151 | 3,477 | 2,318 | 3,477 | 0 |
| Private, Voluntary and Independent Nursery Education (3 & 4 Year Olds Funding) | 2,883 | | 453 | -13 | | | 440 | 3,323 | 2,227 | 3,248 | -75 |
| 2 Year Old Funding | 3,832 | | 0 | | | | 0 | 3,832 | 2,066 | 3,403 | -429 |
| Early Years Academy Payments and Adjustments | 1 | | 0 | 1,179 | | | 1,179 | 1,180 | 670 | 1,180 | 0 |
| TOTAL EARLY YEARS BLOCK | 13,073 | 0 | 453 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 453 | 13,526 | 8,423 | 13,023 | -503 |
| TOTAL DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT | 161,418 | -18,580 | 535 | 0 | 1,585 | 1 | -16,460 | 144,959 | 97,173 | 146,217 | 1,258 |
| EFA Post 16 Special Education | 644 | | 161 | | | | 161 | 805 | 536 | 805 | 0 |
| TOTAL SCHOOLS BUDGET | 162,062 | -18,580 | 696 | 0 | 1,585 | 1 | -16,299 | 145,764 | 97,709 | 147,023 | 1,258 |