

REPORT FOR ROTHERHAM SCHOOLS FORUM

1.	Date of meeting:	16 th January 2025
2.	Title:	Early Years Block – 2026/27 Budget
3.	Directorate:	Corporate Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Forum of the proposed funding arrangements for Rotherham's early years block for 2026/27. The report deals specifically with the distribution of Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) funding within the early years block (3 & 4 year old, 2 year old and under 2's) and the SEN Inclusion Fund.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 **Note the provisional DSG funding settlement for the early years block for Rotherham for 2026/27;**
- 2.2 **Note the proposed arrangements for allocating the early years funding to providers for 3 & 4 year olds, 2 year olds and under 2's.**
- 2.3 **To endorse the proposed early years funding rates to providers for the 2026/27 financial year.**

3. EARLY YEARS FUNDING SETTLEMENT 2026/27

- 3.1 The Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) settlement announced on 17 December 2025 confirmed Rotherham's provisional early years block allocation for 2026/27 at **£49.7 million**. This represents an increase of **£7.3 million** compared to the updated 2025/26 early years DSG allocation (as of November 2025). The table overleaf provides a comparison of the 2026/27 allocations across the various early years provisions against the previous year.

Funding entitlement	2025/26 £M	2026/27 £m	Change £M
3&4 year old – entitlement funding*	18.0	18.8	0.8
2-year-olds - disadvantaged families	3.7	4.3	0.6
2 year old - working parents	7.4	10.0	2.6
Under 2's - entitlement funding	11.0	14.0	3.0
Early years pupil premium	0.7	0.9	0.2
Disability Access Fund	0.3	0.3	-
Maintained nursery schools funding	1.2	1.2	-
TOTAL EARLY YEARS FUNDING	42.4	49.7	7.3

* includes funding for additional 15 hours for working parents

- 3.2 Early years funding allocations are determined by two key factors: the projected number of children expected to take up their entitlements (participation numbers) and the hourly funding rate for each entitlement.
- 3.3 The increase in funding for 2026/27 partly reflects expected increase in participation—particularly among two-year-olds and children under 2's. The final phase of the expansion of the entitlement (introduced in 2024) was implemented in Autumn 2025, which provides eligible under 2's and 2-year-old with 30 hours a week for 38 weeks a year of early education.

Hourly Funding Rates

- 3.4 Early years funding rates are the amounts paid by the Department for Education (DfE) to local authorities to deliver early years entitlements. These rates are determined through the Early Years National Funding Formula (EYNFF), which considers regional variations in early years provision. The table below sets out the confirmed funding rates for Rotherham for 2026/27 compared with those for the current year.

Funding Rates per hour	2025/26	2026/27	%
3&4 year old funding	£5.71	£6.01*	5.3%*
2-year-old funding – Additional Support	£8.15	£8.50	4.3%
2-year-old funding - working parents	£8.15	£8.50	4.3%
Under 2's	£11.12	£11.59	4.2%

* 26/27 3&4 year old funding rate **excludes £0.19** 'termly funding adjustment' amount to offset the impact of moving to a termly funding model.

- 3.5 The funding rates have been nationally uplifted to reflect wider workforce cost pressures across the sector. Additionally, for 3- and 4-year-olds, 2-year-olds, and under-2s, a further increase has been applied to incorporate funding for the 2025/26 early years National Insurance contributions and the teachers' pay grant provided to settings.

3.6 While these rates are used by the Government to calculate allocations to local authorities, final provider rates are determined locally through each authority's early years funding formula. These often differ from the DfE hourly rate for the following reasons:

- Local authorities can apply supplements—such as deprivation, quality, or sparsity—up to 12% of the total planned formula funding for each entitlement. This allows authorities to adjust part of the hourly rate to reflect varying needs and circumstances at provider level;
- Government guidance allows local authorities to target part of the allocation at providers with children with lower level or emerging special educational needs;
- Local authorities can retain up to 3% of total funding to cover administration costs, such as the central early years team.

4. EARLY YEARS FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS 2026/27

4.1 For 2026/27, there are no changes to the Early Years National Funding Formula (EYNFF) for 3&4 year-olds or the formula for 2-year-olds and under, other than updates to reflect the latest available data for formula factors. However, the Department for Education (DfE) has implemented several technical adjustments in relation to funding allocations for 2026/27:

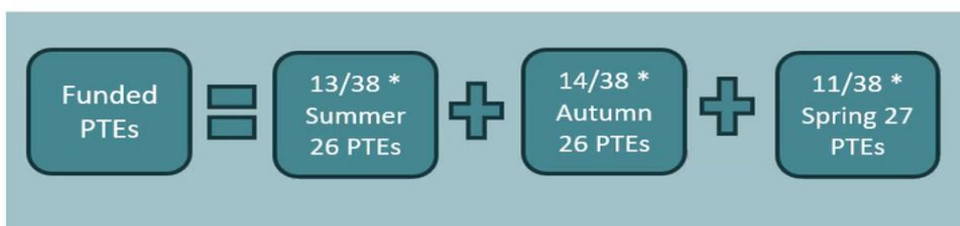
1. **Rolling in of Grants:** The national insurance contributions and teachers' pay grant (EYNTPG), previously provided as a separate grant in 2025/26, has been rolled into the national average funding rates for 3&4 year-olds, 2-year-olds, and children aged 9 months to 2 years.
2. **Termly Funding System:** All early years entitlements will now be funded based on termly census headcounts (see details in para 4.3 below).
3. **Revised Allocation Profile:** The DfE has adjusted the allocation profile to better reflect the number of funded weeks that local authorities pay providers each term. This change improves the accuracy of funding allocations.
4. **Adjusted Funding Rates:** To support local authorities in planning for 2026/27, the DfE has adjusted the 3&4 year-olds funding rates and the methodology for determining indicative allocations for established entitlements.

4.2 In addition to the above, a small number of changes have been made by DfE to the operational guidance for 2026/27. The updates that have been made are intended to ensure the funding system supports the delivery of the early years entitlements. The main changes to the guidance are as follows:

1. confirmation of an increased minimum pass-through requirement for local authorities in 2026/27 – the minimum pass-through rate will increase from 96% to 97%.
2. confirmation that the 28 February deadline, by which local authorities must announce their funding rates to childcare providers, is now a statutory requirement.
3. information on changes to the eligibility criteria for the special educational needs inclusion fund (SENIF)

Change to Termly Funding Approach

- 4.3 From April 2026, the Department for Education (DfE) will adopt a termly funding approach for all early years entitlements. Currently, the new working parents' entitlements for two-year-olds and under are funded termly, based on counts of places taken up in the spring, summer, and autumn terms
- 4.4 From 2026/27, this termly approach will also apply to the 3- and 4-year-old entitlements and the 15-hour entitlement for families of two-year-olds receiving additional support. This change aims to make funding allocations to local authorities more accurate and better aligned with actual participation throughout the year. The 2026/27 budget will be adjusted as follows
- **December 2025:** Indicative allocations published based on Spring 2025 adjusted PTEs and forecast PTEs for core entitlements
 - **November 2026:** Update to early years block allocations reflecting Summer 2026 participation numbers
 - **July 2027:** Final early years block allocations based on this methodology



- 4.5 The transition to termly funding for 3&4 year-olds will reduce the annual nationally reported funded hours. Without adjustment, this would lower local authority budgets despite unchanged delivery requirements. To address this, funding rates for 3&4 year-olds have been uplifted to reflect termly variations, ensuring provider rates remain stable. For Rotherham, the termly adjustment within the funding rate is £0.19 per funded PTE.

5. CONSULTATION ON RMBC'S 2026/27 EY FUNDING FORMULA

- 5.1 Local authorities must consult Early Years funded providers on proposed Early Years Funding Formula (EYFF) arrangements. A consultation on the 2026/27 EYFF ran from 21 November to 7 December 2025, supported by four online information sessions on 27 November and 4 December.
- 5.2 Due to delays in publishing funding rates and provisional DSG allocations, indicative rates were unavailable during the consultation. Instead, feedback was sought from PVI, childminders, school-based nurseries, and maintained nursery schools on the principles and planned changes to Rotherham's EYFF for 2026/27:
- Increase in pass-through rate – from 96% to 97% for the 3–4-year-old funding stream. Other entitlement funding streams will remain at 97%, in line with guidance.
 - Deprivation supplement – to continue for 3–4-year-olds as per DfE guidance, with two options proposed: (1) Retain the current 1% of the base rate for deprivation; and (2) Reduce the deprivation budget to 0.5% of the base rate.
 - Contingency retention – a percentage of the base rate from each entitlement funding to cover the impact of termly counts and stretched offers. Any contingency retained will count toward the 97% pass-through rate.
 - Inclusion Support Grant – continue providing an hourly supplement for EEF-funded hours to enhance staffing ratios above minimum requirements through a whole-setting model, without requiring 1:2 staffing levels.
- 5.3 Details of the consultation and the analysis of responses are provided in Appendix 1. The consultation outcomes have informed the 2026/27 budget proposals outlined in the following sections.

6. PROPOSED EARLY YEARS BUDGET 2026/27

- 6.1 A summary of the proposed 2026/27 Early Years DSG planned expenditure is detailed in the table overleaf:
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Early Years Budget 2026/27	Budget (£'000)
3&4 year old – universal entitlement (including supplement)	11,658
3&4 year old – extended entitlement (including supplement)	5,615
2-year-olds - disadvantaged families	3,207
2 year old - working parents	9,473
Under 2's - entitlement funding	12,983
Contingency – termly adjustment / stretched offer	568
Inclusion Support Fund (tier 2)	270
Early years pupil premium	660
Disability Access Fund	298
Maintained Nursery Schools – supplementary funding	1,279
RMBC Early Years central team costs	1,354
TOTAL PLANNED EXPENDITURE	47,364

Rotherham Early Years Funding Formula 2026/27

6.2 The entitlement funding allocations are primarily determined by the local funding formula. For 2026/27, the formula structure remains largely unchanged from last year, except for retaining a contingency to address the impact of termly counts and payments for stretched entitlements. The main components of the formula are:

- Basic core funding – calculated by applying an average hourly rate to forecast participation numbers.
- Deprivation supplement – additional funding to support settings with children from deprived backgrounds.
- Inclusion Support retention – maintaining the current rate of £2 per hour for children meeting Inclusion Support Fund criteria.
- Contingency – ensuring sufficient funds for children who join after the headcount/census date.

Part Time Equivalent (PTEs)

6.3 The proposed budget for 3&4 year olds, 2 year olds, and under-2s is based on the Council's forecast termly headcount for each early years entitlement, rather than the part-time equivalent figures used by the DfE. This accounts for the difference between the planned expenditure of £47.3m and the provisional early years DSG allocation of £49.7m. It should be noted that RMBC funding will be adjusted by the DfE to reflect actual PTE numbers.

Minimum Pass-through Requirements

- 6.4 There is a mandatory level of 3&4 year old, 2 year old and under 2 entitlement funding that the council must pass through to providers/settings. The minimum pass-through rate has been set by the Government at 97% across all entitlement funding. The proposed planned spend for 2026/27 reflects the 97% minimum pass through requirement. See table below:

	3&4 yr old £'000	2 yr olds £'000	2 yr olds (working parents)	Under 2s £'000	Maintained Nurseries £'000
Total Entitlement	18,039	3,367	9,945	13,775	1,279
<i>Planned spend:</i>					
Base funding	-17,100	-3,207	-9,473	-12,983	-1,279
Deprivation supplement	-173	-	-	-	-
SENIF (early years)	-135	-25	-74	-34	-
Contingency	-90	-34	-99	-344	-
Total planned spend	-17,498	-3,266	-9,647	-13,362	-1,279
Pass Through rate (%)	97.0%	97.0%	97.0%	97.0%	100.0%

Deprivation Funding Supplement

- 6.5 The DfE requires local authorities to include a deprivation supplement in their early years funding formula for 3&4 year olds to reflect the additional costs of supporting disadvantaged children. Following consultation, 1% of the base rate (after retentions) will continue to be allocated for this purpose (which equates to approximately 10p per hour – same as in 2025/26), with £173k distributed to providers in 2026/27.
- 6.6 It should be noted that the deprivation supplement has not been applied to other entitlement funding, such as for 2-year-olds or children under 2. DfE guidance confirms that including a deprivation supplement in the local funding formula for children aged two and under is discretionary.

Proposed Providers' Base Rates

- 6.7 The base rates, when applied to headcount numbers, determine the core entitlement funding passed directly to early years providers. The calculation is based on proposed allocations after accounting for:
- Local authority retention for central early years team costs (3% across all funded entitlements);
 - Funding retained for the SEN Inclusion Fund (0.75% for 3&4 year-olds and 2-year-olds, and 0.25% for under-2s);
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- Funding passed through to providers via the deprivation supplement and contingency (to cover adjustments after termly headcounts and stretched entitlements).

6.8 The following provider base funding rates are proposed and calculated for the 2026/27 financial year:

Entitlement	2025/26 Base Rates per hour	2026/27 Proposed Base Rates per hour	Increase in Base Rates per hour	Percentage change (%)
3&4 Year Olds - Universal & Working Parent Entitlements	£5.37	£5.88	£0.51	9.5%
2 Year-Olds – disadvantage families & Working Parent	£7.78	£8.10	£0.32	4.1%
Under 2-Year-Olds – Working Parent Entitlement	£10.68	£10.92	£0.24	2.2%

6.9 The increase in base rates for both the 3&4 year olds (9.5%) and 2 year olds (4.1%) is consistent with the increase in the national funding rate for Rotherham for 2026/27 of 8.6% and 4.3% respectively for both entitlements. The base rate increase of 2.2% for the Under 2s entitlement is significantly less than the national funding rate increase of 4.2% due to the level of adjustment funding retained for the impact of the termly count and stretched offer.

SEN Inclusion Fund (SENIF)

6.10 There is a requirement for LAs to have a SEN Inclusion fund (SENIF) in their local funding systems in order to recognise and support the low level and emerging needs of individual children with SEN who are taking up entitlements. The following outline the proposed arrangements for 2026/27, which reflects the response to the consultation from providers:

- Tier 1 – Advice and guidance from the council’s early years team and wider children’s services.
- Tier 2 – Additional funding to support enhanced staffing across the setting, ensuring all Tier 2 children receive some sessions with staffing above legal ratios. Applicable to children with two areas of developmental delay and involvement from two relevant external agencies.
- Tier 3 – Additional funding for 1:1 staffing for children with high-level medical, physical, or complex needs requiring intensive support. Assessed through panel applications and funded outside the early years local funding formula. The distribution methodology is currently under review.

- 6.11 The proportion of the entitlement funding retained for the SEN Inclusion Fund in 2026/27 is as follows: 0.75% for 3&4 year-olds and 2-year-olds; and 0.25% for under-2s. This is in contrast to the proposal of 0.5% retention in the consultation with providers.

Maintained Nursery Schools (MNS)

- 6.12 Local authorities with MNS receive supplementary funding (as part of the early years funding allocation) for universal 3 and 4-year-old entitlement hours only. In 2026/27, the minimum hourly rate provided by the DfE is £5.47 and the cap has been set at £10 per hour. Transitional arrangements have now come to an end. The methodology for distributing the funding allocation to the maintained nurseries remains unchanged from previous years.

7. CENTRALLY RETAINED EARLY YEARS FUNDING

- 7.1 The local authority is allowed to retain no more than 3% of the funded entitlements Early Years DSG funding allocation for the LA central early years team and running costs.
- 7.2 In respect of the 2026/27 financial year, the local authority is proposing to retain 3% (which equates to £1.3m) of the funded entitlements Early Years DSG funding for the provision of centrally managed early years services. The following are key considerations in determining the level of retention for central LA costs:
- Minimum requirement allowed under the DfE guidance. The retention amount (£1.3m) is not too dissimilar to that for 2025/26
 - Ensure provider base rate funding is maximised as far as possible.
 - Ensure that the required capacity within the LA to manage the expansion of the early years entitlement and funding is properly funded.
 - Recognise the increased overall funding quantum of the Early Years DSG entitlement funding.

8. KEY ACTIONS

- 8.1 The following are the key actions in respect of determining the budget allocations to schools / settings for 2026/27:
- a) Local authorities are required to consult with providers around annual changes to their local formula. As detailed above, a consultation on the principles to be applied to the local funding formula was carried out between 21/11/25 and 7/12/25 the results have been used to inform the determination of the funding formula.
 - b) Schools Forum must be consulted on changes to local early years funding formulas, including centrally retained amount.
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- c) Early years settings and providers must be notified of the confirmed funding rates by 28 February 2025.

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Appendix 1

Early Education Funding Formula Consultation 2026-27

Background

Local Authorities (LAs) are required to allocate Early Education funding to providers based on a local funding formula and are required to consult providers on changes to their local formula.

The early years entitlements are:

- the 30 hours entitlement for eligible working parents of children from 9 months up to 2 years old.
- the 30 hours entitlement for eligible working parents of 2-year-old children.
- the 15 hours entitlement for families of 2-year-olds receiving additional support (formerly known as the 2-year-old disadvantaged entitlement)
- the universal 15 hours entitlement for all 3 and 4-year-olds
- the additional 15 hours entitlement for working parents of 3 and 4-year-olds

The Department for Education (DfE) requirements for funding formulas is detailed below:

The DfE has set a minimum pass-through requirement for local authorities of 97% for 2026-27. This means that local authorities can retain up to 3% of each of the entitlements detailed above:

The 97% that must be passported to providers includes the following for each of the above entitlements separately:

- base rate funding for all providers
- any supplements for all providers (a deprivation supplement for 3 / 4 year olds is the only mandatory)
- lump sum funding for Maintained Nursery Schools (this applies to 3 and 4-year-olds only)
- **the funding paid directly to providers from the Special Educational Needs Inclusion Funding (SENIF)**
- contingency funding

Changes to the way Local Authorities early education budgets are calculated

The table below details the current methodology used by the DfE to allocate Early Years block funding to local authorities and changes for 2026/27:

	Current	2026/27
3 / 4 year olds & 2 year olds FRAS	Two January DfE Census counts (school and PVI) determine Early Years Block funding for whole year – one prior to the start of the year (5/12ths – 237.5 hours) and one during the financial year (7/12ths – 332.5 hours) with the budget	Termly DfE Census returns – Summer, Autumn & Spring

	Current	2026/27
	adjusted retrospectively the following July.	School data to be submitted by schools to DfE PVI data to be submitted by LA to DfE
2 year olds and under 2's working parents	Termly DfE data returns	

The current methodology generates adequate funding to cover Headcount and Adjustment payments and the cost of Stretching the entitlements.

From 2026/27 the Early Years Block will be funded based on termly DfE census counts. The main challenge from this change is ensuring that there is enough funding to cover the cost of children added at adjustment who will not be included in the termly census as well as the additional cost of delivering the Stretched offer. The local authority would need to build in a contingency to cover the cost of the Adjustment and Stretch models of delivery. The level of contingency would depend on a number of currently unknown factors, including the new termly census return dates.

Special educational needs inclusion fund (SENIF)

All local authorities are required to have a **SENIF for all children eligible for the entitlements** and who have SEN, regardless of the number of hours taken. These funds are intended to support local authorities to work with providers to recognise and support the low-level and emerging needs of individual children with SEN who are taking up the entitlements. These funds also support local authorities to undertake their responsibilities to strategically commission SEN services as required under the Children and Families Act 2014.

Eligibility: A local authority's SENIF is for supporting children below compulsory school age with SEN and who are eligible for the entitlements. SENIF funding should be targeted at supporting children with low-level or emerging SEN.

SENIF funding is not for supporting children with SEN who are not eligible for the entitlements, and should not be used to support children with SEN in reception year at school. However, it can be used to support children with SEN who are eligible for the entitlements, are of school age, and have deferred their entry to reception. Children not eligible for the entitlements or with more complex needs and with an education, health and care (EHC) plan continue to be eligible to receive funding via the high needs block of the DSG.

Local authorities should pass the majority of their SENIF to providers in the form of top-up grants determined on a case-by-case basis.

The above information is taken from the DfE Early Years Entitlements operational guidance – full details are available here: [Early years entitlements: local authority funding operational guide 2025 to 2026 - GOV.UK](#)

Early Education Funding Formula Consultation 2026-27

A full consultation was carried out on the Early Education local funding formula in 2024-25. The changes being consulted on for this year are detailed below. In summary, it is proposed to reduce the local authority central retention from the 3 / 4 year old funding stream from 4% to 3%. The central retention from the other funding streams is proposed to remain the same at 3%. We would also like your views on three additional areas:

- deprivation supplement
- Adjustment / stretched entitlement – possible contingency
- Inclusion Support Funding – Tier 2 rates

Early Education Funding

1. Retention for Central Costs

It is proposed to reduce the central retention of 3 / 4 year old budget from 4% to 3%.

Funding Formula	2025-26	2026-27
Retention for Central Costs:		
3 / 4 year old budget	4%	3%
2 year old budget	3%	3%
Under 2's budget	3%	3%

2. Deprivation Supplement

We would like to consult on two options for the deprivation supplement. This supplement is awarded to all 3 / 4 year olds in settings where their average IMD score, based on the post code of all 3 / 4 year olds is 30% or below. The current deprivation supplement is 10p /hour.

Option 1: retain the current 1% of the base rate for deprivation.

This would increase the hourly deprivation rate slightly (amount to be confirmed when the 2026-27 rates are announced – *projected deprivation rate 13p**).

Option 2: reduce the deprivation budget to 0.5% of the base rate.

This would reduce the hourly deprivation rate (amount to be confirmed when the 2026-27 rates are announced – *projected deprivation rate 6p*) but would increase the 3 / 4 year old base rate slightly (*projection, base rate would increase by additional 3p on top of any DfE increase**).

**amounts may change depending on DfE budget allocation for 2026/27*

3. Adjustment / stretched entitlement – possible contingency

To continue to fund new children at Adjustment and fund the Stretched entitlement, the local authority will need to retain a percentage of the base rate from each funding base rate as a Contingency to cover the costs.

Option 1: Local Authority to retain a percentage of each base rate as a Contingency and continue to fund new children at Adjustment and fund the Stretched entitlement.

- Option 2: **Remove the Adjustment return** and fund on Headcount only. No new children would be funded after Headcount. **Remove the Stretched funding** allocation and fund based on term time delivery only*.
- Option 3: **Remove the Adjustment return** and fund on Headcount only. No new children would be funded after Headcount **but retain a percentage of each base rate as a Contingency to cover the costs of Stretched funding.**
- Option 4: **Remove the Stretched funding** option and fund based on term time delivery only* **but keep the Adjustment return and retain a percentage of each base rate as a Contingency to cover the cost.**

**providers could still deliver a Stretched offer but would need to claim termly funding and manage the Stretch internally.*

4. Inclusion Support Funding

The early years local funding formula includes a retention to provide the current Tier 2 Inclusion Support funding.

It is proposed to retain the Tier 2 support model for 2026-27 with consultation on the percentage of funding to be retained and distributed as Inclusion Support funding to support low level, emerging needs.

Separate communication will take place around the current Tier 3 Inclusion Support Funding which sits outside the early years funding formula.

It is proposed to continue to provide an hourly Inclusion Support supplement **for EEF funded hours only** to enhance staffing **ratios above minimum requirements through a whole setting model.** There would not be a requirement to provide 1:2 staffing levels.

Criteria to apply: children who have 2 areas of developmental delay and are working with 2 relevant outside agencies.

	ISG Rate – Tier 2		Amount to be retained from each funding stream	Projected Implications on EEF base rate*
Option 1	£2	3 / 4 year olds	0.5%	-3p
		2 year olds	0.5%	-4.2p
		9m – 2 year olds	0.25%	-3p
Option 2	£4	3 / 4 year olds	1%	-6p
		2 year olds	1%	-8.4p
		9m – 2 year olds	0.5%	-6p

**amounts may change depending on DfE budget allocation for 2026/27*

**PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR RESPONSES TO THE ABOVE OPTIONS VIA THE
ONLINE FORM LINK BELOW BY SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2025**

[Consultation on Rotherham Early Education Funding Formula 2026-27 – Fill out form](#)

Early Education Funding Formula Consultation 2026-27

Outcome of Consultation

A consultation was carried out between 21st November 2025 to 7th December 2025 on proposals for the local EYFF for 2026/27. Four online consultation information sessions were also held on 27th November and 4th December.

A total of 56 responses were received:

	Total Responses
Maintained School	4
Academy School/Trust*	9
Childminder	25
Day Nursery	12
Pre-School	4
Out of School Care	0
Total	54

Consultation Responses

1. It is proposed reduce the central retention of 3 / 4 year old budget from 4% to 3%. Do you agree with this proposal?

Agree?	Responses	Percentage
No	7	15.22%
Yes	39	84.78%

2. Early Education Funding – Mandatory Deprivation Supplement – 3 / 4 year olds: Please select one of the options below:

Options:	Responses	Percentage
Option 1: Retain the current 1% of the base rate for deprivation	28	60.87%
Option 2: Reduce the deprivation budget to 0.5% of the base rate	18	39.13%

3. Adjustment / stretched entitlement – possible contingency: Please select one of the options below:

Options:	Responses	Percentage
Option 1: Keep Adjustment and Stretching and introduce a Contingency to cover costs	27	58.70%
Option 2: Remove Adjustment and Stretching options	3	6.52%
Option 3: Remove Adjustment and introduce a Contingency for Stretching	4	8.70%
Option 4: Remove Stretching and introduce a Contingency for Adjustment	12	26.10%

4. Inclusion Support Funding – Tier 2: Please select one of the options below:

Options:	Responses	Percentage
Option 1: £2 per hour	30	65.22%
Option 2: £4 per hour	16	34.78%