ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT

1	Meeting:	Rotherham Schools' Forum
2	Date:	4 th October, 2013
3	Title:	DfE Consultation On The School And Early Years Finance Regulations 2013 And Additional Grant Conditions For The Dedicated Schools Grant
4	Directorate :	Resources – Financial services

5 Summary

On the 4 June 2013 the Department for Education (DfE) announced a number of changes to the school funding system in 2014-15. They are now consulting on regulations to give effect to those changes, as well as some additional adjustments to the arrangements for schools and early years finance.

6 Recommendations

That Schools Forum notes the proposed changes to regulations and conditions of grant for 2014 and agrees a response to the consultation as appropriate.

7 Proposals and Details

- 7.1.1 A summary of the Government's proposed changes to regulations and conditions of grant for 2014-15 is attached at Appendix A to this report. The regulations in the most part reflect the decisions announced in the School Funding Reform documentation announced in June but the Government are also proposing changes that they have not already been announced. These are shown in italics within the summary of changes attached **at Appendix A**.
- 7.1.2 The consultation period runs from 1 August 2013 through to 11 October 2013. The Government's intention is for the regulations to come into force by 1 January 2014.
- 7.1.3 **Appendix B** summarises the impact on funding for Rotherham schools and the decisions for consideration which may influence the response

8. Finance

Finance details are included in section 7 above.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

The impact of the changes on the funding for Rotherham schools will be minimal. Decisions around the application of the formula factors for 2014/15 needs to be considered by Schools Forum. This is presented in a separate report.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications There are no specific policy and performance implications as a result of these changes.

11. Background Papers and Consultation DfE Consultation On The School And Early Years Finance Regulations 2013 And Additional Grant Conditions For The Dedicated Schools Grant

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