

Chief Finance Officers, Finance Officers, Chairs and Clerks of Schools Forums National Organisations

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Dear colleagues,

Consultation on the School and Early Years Finance Regulations 2013 and additional grant conditions for the Dedicated Schools Grant

On 4 June we announced a number of changes to the school funding system in 2014-15. We 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.

The draft School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2013 are attached, together with additional grant conditions for the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG). The regulations for the most part reflect the decisions announced in June. These are included in the attached summary of changes. The summary also shows where we are proposing changes that we have not already announced. It would be particularly helpful to have views on these proposals.

The consultation period will run through to 11 October 2013. Our intention is for the regulations to come into force by 1 January 2014. Could you send your comments to fundingpolicy.consultation@education.gsi.gov.uk by 11 October please?

Yours sincerely,

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