Summary of Consultation Responses Changes to Rotherham Fair Funding Scheme

	Distributed	Returns	Agree to Changes	Disagree to Changes
Primary	70	25	23	2
Secondary	5	1	1	0
Specials	6	3	2	1
Nursery	3	0	0	0
PRU's	2	0	0	0
	86	29	26	3

Comments

The approval of the budget can be delegated to a committee - this will then be reported at the full governing body meeting. The wording in this document should reflect this. Please refer to Paul Carmey (governors section) for clarification as this wording should be correct.

Schools which have been placed in special measures and are trying to get out without converting to a sponsored academy need to have room in the budget in order to drive certain improvements through. These could be short term with regards to CPD, resources investment etc but would be crucial in moving the school forward and could lead to a slight deficit budget for the following year. If spending had to be cut back at this point this could stop the drive for improvement. The advice we have received from RMBC School Effectiveness Service is that we should not let a lack of funding prevent us from taking the necessary steps to produce school improvement.

I agree re: notification of an 'estimated in-year deficit' to SD of CYPS Directorate – but with following amendments: when the amount is over a set figure e.g. £30,000 or a set % of whole budget

- when the school has previously had a deficit budget not the 1st occasion of a forecasted deficit
- 'essential spend only' etc only applies to forecasts over set amount / % of budget