

# Schools Forum 24<sup>th</sup> October 2014

**AGENDA ITEM 4** 

Report Title: Agreed arrangements for central

retention and de-delegation

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# CENTRALLY-RETAINED DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT PROVISION

### **CURRENT CENTRAL BUDGET SUMMARY**

Schools Forum has previously agreed to the central retention of specific budget provisions before the schools block formula is allocated across schools. Local authorities must agree annually with their Schools Forum the amounts that are allocated to each budget line. The retained budget provision in financial year 2014-15 is summarised in the table below.

Budget Provision	£	Notes					
Pupil Growth Fund	600,000	Amount discretionary					
Falling Rolls Fund	365,900	[Part year?] Amount discretionary					
Servicing of Schools Forum	31,000	No increase permitted					
School Admissions / Organisation &	833,500	No increase permitted					
Planning							
Historic DSG pension commitments	170,400	No increase / No new commitments					
School milk – administration costs	26,000	No increase permitted					
School Safeguarding Officer	48,400	No increase permitted					
Primary Sector commissioning fund	171,500	No increase permitted					
Secondary sector commissioning fund	278,800	No increase permitted					
Provision for central LAC / NEET etc	45,100	No increase permitted					
National Copyright Licence	172,700	Mandatory set-aside – EFA annual invoice to					
		pay					
TOTAL	2,743,300	1.005% of indicative 2015-16 Schools Block					

## **DE-DELEGATION ARRANGEMENTS**

### **DE-DELEGATION PICTURE 2014-15**

Decisions need to be taken on an annual basis by the maintained primary and secondary school phases on the pattern of de-delegation to apply each year. The agreed de-delegation position which applies in the current funding year is set out in the attached analysis.

In the table the difference between the 'gross amount de-delegated' figure and the 'budget recovered' figure is due to funding retained by the Kirklees academies. Academies can purchase some of these dedelegated services separately if they wish. For the picture summarised for 2014-15 there were then 6 primary academies and 11 secondary academies. As at 4<sup>th</sup> September 2014 there are now 8 primary academies and 12 secondary academies.

The secondary sector has chosen not to accept de-delegation of **Trade Union Duties** although some maintained high schools and academies have subsequently opted to purchase the service via a different route.

For 2015-16 there will be no de-delegation proposal relating to **Nurture Groups**. 2014-15 was the final year of phased protection for the eight primary schools that used to receive specific funding for their nurture group arrangement. The de-delegated sum showing in the table will naturally be retained within the AWPU values from 2015-16.

DE-DELEGATION PICTURE for FINAL 14-15 RETURN [based on October 2013 NOR]		PRIMARY SECTOR			SECONDARY SECTOR			OVERALL TOTAL			
[Basea on October 2013 NON]		FRII	FRIIVIANT SECTOR		SECONDARY SECTOR			OVERALL TOTAL			
Budget heading	Target	Gross amt	Budget	De-del per	Gross amt	Budget	De-del per	Gross amt	Budget	Shortfall	
	Budget	de-delegated	recovered	pupil	de-delegated	recovered	pupil	de-delegated recovered		to target	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	_
Contingencies:											
Base Contingency	700,000	497,934	476,727	-14.00	390,743	223,273	-17.54	888,676	700,000	0	
VER addition	113,609	80,813.91	77,372.11	-2.27	63,416.96	36,236.89	-2.85	144,231	113,609	0	
Free School Meals Eligibility	65,000	36,420	35,037	-1.03	28,580	16,409	-1.29	65,000	51,446	-13,554	
Staff costs / Supply cover:											
Maternity / Paternity	1,026,890	575,376	553,520	-16.25	451,514	259,239	-20.37	1,026,890	812,759	-214,131	
Union Duties	361,494	202,548	194,855	-5.72	158,946	0	0.00	361,494	194,855	-166,639	
Public Duties	10,300	5,771	5,552	-0.16	4,529	2,600	-0.20	10,300	8,152	-2,148	
International New Arrivals	100,000	56,031	53,903	-1.58	43,969	25,245	-1.98	100,000	79,148	-20,852	
Behaviour Support - Nurture Groups	83,752	59,576	57,038	-1.67	46,751	26,714	-2.10	106,326	83,752	0	
TOTALS	2,461,045	1,514,470	1,454,003	-42.686	1,188,447	589,717	-46.329	2,702,917	2,043,720	-417,325	