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Thursday 23 February 2023

## Notice of Meeting

Dear Member

### Kirklees Schools Forum

The **Kirklees Schools Forum** will meet in the **Cathedral House, St Thomas Road, Huddersfield. HD1 3LG in the Willow Room** at **10.00 am on Friday 3 March 2023.**

The items which will be discussed are described in the agenda and there are reports attached which give more details.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie Muscroft", on a light-colored background.

**Julie Muscroft**

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# Agenda

## Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

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**Pages**

- 1: **Apologies for Absence**
  - 2: **Minutes of the Schools Forum meeting held on 11th November 2022** 1 - 4
  - 3: **Matters arising from meeting held on 11th November 2022**
  - 4: **Kirklees Education & Learning Partnership Board (standing item)**  
 KELPB Members – Verbal Update
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- 5: **Early Years Funding Formula 2023 - 2024**
  - 6: **ESFA update on funding submission**  
 David Baxter – Verbal Update
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- 7: **Any other business**
- 8: **Confirm minutes**
- 9: **Date and time of next meeting**  
 NEXT MEETING - Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

**Other useful info**

**Schools Forum Dates – 2022 – 2023 (Rooms booked 8.00 am – 11.00 am)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Times</b>	<b>Venue</b>
16 September 2022	Forum (Briefing)	8.30 – 11.00 am	Luck Lane Academy
23 September 2022	Forum (Reserve)	8.30 – 11.00 am	Cancelled
14 October 2022	Forum (Briefing)	8.30 – 10.00 am	Microsoft Teams
11 November 2022	Forum (Briefing)	8.30 – 10.00 am 10.00 – 11.00 am	Textile Centre

25 November 2022	Forum (Briefing) <b>Forum (Public)</b>	8.30 – 10.00 am 10.00 – 11.00 am	Cancelled
09 December 2022	Forum (Reserve)	8.30 – 11.00 am	Cancelled
18 January 2023	Forum (Briefing)	8.30 – 11.00 am	Microsoft Teams
03 February 2023	Forum (Reserve)	8.30 – 11.00 am	Cancelled
10 February 2023	Forum (Briefing)	8.30 – 11.00 am	Heaton Avenue, SHARE Academy
03 March 2023	Forum (Briefing) <b>Forum (Public)</b>	8.30 – 10.00 am 10.00 – 11.00 am	Cathedral House
24 March 2023	Forum (Reserve)	8.30 – 11.00 am	TBC
21 April 2023	Forum (Briefing)	8.30 – 11.00 am	TBC
26 May 2023	Forum (Briefing)	8.30 – 11.00 am	TBC
23 June 2023	Forum (Briefing) <b>Forum (Public)</b>	8.30 – 10.00 am 10.00 – 11.00 am	TBC
07 July 2023	Forum (Reserve)	8.30 – 11.00 am	TBC

### Other key meetings

08 September 2022	KPH Primary Heads
28 September 2022	Education & Learning Partnership Board
05 October 2022	KHSH High School Heads
11 October 2022	KSSH Special School Heads
02 November 2022	Education & Learning Partnership Board
17 November 2022	KPH Primary Heads
23 November 2022	Education & Learning Partnership Board
29 November 2022	KSSH Special Heads
07 December 2022	Education & Learning Partnership Board
14 December 2022	KHSH High School Heads
17 January 2023	KSSH Special School Heads
19 January 2023	KPH Primary Heads
25 January 2023	Education & Learning Partnership Board
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### 2022 – 2023 Monitoring Programme

The following services are funded through DSG and monitored over the course of the academic year for:

- Range of provision and services
- Range and number of schools and settings receiving provision
- Impact of provision for each school and setting

Additional or supplementary reports to those identified in the schedules below may be requested by Schools Forum.

<b>Funded provision</b>	<b>Reporting Officer</b>	<b>Reporting arrangements</b>
School Improvement Commissioning Fund	Emma Brayford / Helen Metcalfe, Senior KLPs Learning & Early Support	<b>Termly</b>
Trade Union facilities time	Teacher Union Members	<b>Annually</b>
International New Arrivals	Maggie Featherstone, Portfolio Manager: Education Safeguarding Service	<b>Annually</b>
Early Years Provision	Martin Wilby / Debbie Lea, Childcare Sufficiency Manager, Learning & Early Support	<b>Annually</b>
School Place Planning and Organisation	Martin Wilby, Head of Education Places & Access	<b>Annually</b>

### **2022 – 2023 Reporting Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Monitoring report</b>	<b>Officer(s)</b>
11 November 2022	Trade Union facilities time	Teacher Union reps
25 November 2022	School Improvement Commissioning Fund	H Metcalfe/E Brayford
09 December 2022	School Forum (Reserve)	
13 January 2023	International New Arrivals	M Featherstone
03 February 2023	School Forum (Reserve)	
10 February 2023	Early Years Provision	D Lea / M Wilby
03 March 2023	School Improvement Commissioning Fund	H Metcalfe/E Brayford
24 March 2023	School Forum (Reserve)	
21 April 2023	School Place Planning & Organisation	M Wilby
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## The KIRKLEES SCHOOLS FORUM PUBLIC

### (Schools Funding Consultative Group)

### meeting held on **Friday 11 November 2022** at 10.00 am at the Textile Centre

**Present:**

Name:	Category of Membership:
	Nursery School Heads (1)
Helen Pearson, Diana Wilson, Louise Brown, Jenny Shore	Primary School Heads (5)
Darren Christian	High School Heads (1)
Paul Evans	Special School Heads (1)
	Special Academy Heads (1)
Michelle Lee (Chair), Dave Wadsworth	Academy Heads (5)
	Pupil Referral Units (1)
Paula Wescott, Hazel Danson	Non-school members (5)
	School Governors (1)
Eamon Croston, Liz Kilner (minute clerk), Jo-Anne Sanders, Martin Wilby, Natalie McSheffrey, Kelsey Clark-Davies, David Baxter	Officers in Support
Clr Carole Pattison, Julia Kendall (Together Learning Trust)	Observers

Item	Title	Actions
1	<p><b>Apologies for Absence</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Andi Gilroy-Sinclair</li> <li>• Andrew Fell</li> <li>• Rebecca Smith</li> <li>• Julia Arechiga</li> <li>• Chris Jessup</li> <li>• Ian Rimmer</li> </ul>	
2	<p><b>Minutes of the Schools Forum Briefing meeting held on 24 June 2022</b></p> <p>The minutes of the above meeting were agreed as a correct record of the meeting.</p>	
3	<p><b>Matters arising from 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021 meeting</b></p> <p>There were no matters arising.</p>	
4	<p><b>Kirklees Education &amp; Learning Partnership Board</b></p> <p>The Kirklees Education &amp; Learning Partnership Board had met on 4 November 2022. Natalie McSheffrey updated the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The External Review of the ELPB was discussed including updates on implementation and actions.</li> <li>• There is now a web page on Kirklees Business Solutions.</li> <li>• There is a membership review of the ELPB.</li> <li>• There will be an additional meeting on 7 December for Opportunities in Education in Kirklees in the future.</li> <li>• Committee updates were given including catering services.</li> <li>• There was an update on Plans, Access and Inclusion.</li> <li>• There were updates from Kirklees Secondary Heads and Special School Heads.</li> <li>• High Needs Block Engagement sessions were discussed.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was an update on Kirklees Futures.</li> <li>• The next meeting of the ELPB will be 7 December 2022.</li> </ul>	
5	<p><b>23-24 Funding consultation round – Central Schools Services Block, De-delegation arrangements, retained Early Years Block funding</b></p> <p>The Chair confirmed that no discussion was required on this item.</p>	
6	<p><b>High Needs Block Transfer 2023 – 24</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The High Needs Safety Valve commitment and requirement for an additional £2.1m High Needs Block Transfer for 2023/24 was summarised.</li> <li>• Darren Christian reported to the meeting</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two engagement sessions for schools have been held.</li> <li>• A Questionnaire has been sent out to all schools to get views.</li> <li>• Schools Forum representatives have gathered feedback.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The LA plan to meet £2.1m was summarised including the shortfall of £423k.</li> <li>• A consultation event was held to consider the options to fund the £423k shortfall.</li> <li>• The LA plan for the funding of the £1.67m was summarised.</li> <li>• The options to fund the £423k shortfall were summarised including</li> <li>• AWPU contribution – sharing of contribution in line with NFF.</li> <li>• Flat rate charge per pupil.</li> <li>• Share of school block funding based on 2022-23 allocations.</li> <li>• A questionnaire has been sent out to all schools and 37 responses have been received.</li> <li>• Of the responses, 20 schools agreed with the LA approach to funding the £1.67m, 15 schools did not agree and 2 responses did not answer.</li> <li>• For the funding of the £423k shortfall, 17 schools preferred the AWPU contribution, 13 preferred the per pupil charge and 5 preferred the share of school block funding.</li> <li>• The comments from schools about the £423k shortfall were summarised.</li> <li>• Schools Forum voted on the proposals and the agreements are summarised below.</li> <li>• The LA approach to funding the £1.67m was agreed.</li> <li>• The option to fund the £423k shortfall via AWPU contribution was agreed.</li> <li>• It was noted that given the difficulty in funding the £2.1m for 2023/24 then the additional increase of £0.5m to £2.6m for 2024/25 will be a very serious funding problem for schools.</li> <li>• There needs to be early dialogue in relation to the 2024/25 funding.</li> <li>• More engagement sessions will be required with schools in the new year to give understanding of the impacts of the 5 year plan and provide opportunities for creativity.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There will be a comment from Schools Forum on the return about the serious funding issues for Kirklees schools.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the LA approach to the funding of the £1.67m be agreed for 2023/24 only.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That funding the shortfall of £423k via the AWPU contribution (sharing contribution in line with NFF) be agreed for 2023/24 only.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Schools Forum to communicate the current funding difficulties and expected ongoing funding difficulties to the LA and DfE</p>	Chair



7	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>There were no items of Any Other Business for discussion.</p>	
8	<p><b>Confirm Minutes</b></p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.</p>	
9	<p><b>Dates and times of next meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friday 3 March 2023– Public</li> </ul> <p>The Chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting.</p>	

Signature (Chair) .....

Date.....

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