MAINSTREAM SCHOOL FUNDING FOR 2019-20 – THE MAIN CHANGES

- 1) After wide consultation with local schools and academies, 2018-19 saw the adoption of the Schools National Funding Formula factors and values within Kirklees' funding method.
- 2) Thanks to the Government's funding floor protection Kirklees schools received the minimum guaranteed 0.5% rise in funding per pupil in 2018-19 compared to their 2017-18 per pupil baseline (plus a temporary £13,282 addition to the NFF lump sum value). The outcomes are therefore very different from the pure NFF.
- 3) For 2019-20 the Government will provide a second minimum 0.5% increase in funding per pupil. [This will be expressed as a 1% rise in comparison to 2017-18 per pupil baselines].
- A new (fixed) 1% cash floor funding factor will deliver the minimum rise per pupil because the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) continues to be limited to plus 0.5% at its maximum value.
- 5) The MFG in Kirklees' 2019-20 funding formula will effectively become a balancing item with a positive percentage set to spend up any remaining funds or a negative one to moderate the original funding results if they exceed the total of available funding.
- 6) A new formula method for providing growth funding to local authorities will operate from 2019-20. This is expected to provide sufficient resources to meet the cost of our Pupil Growth Fund arrangement, to build in pupil number increases for those schools growing year groups and to provide resources to support schools with PAN adjustments in connection with basic need pupil demand pressures.
- 7) Teachers Pay Grant allocations FY 2019-20 Schools will again receive financial support for the ongoing additional cost of the September 2018 pay award – full year rates per pupil will replace the 7/12ths values in the grant allocations which maintained schools have recently received.
- 8) Employers Superannuation rates for Teachers are set to increase from 16.48% of basic pay to 23.6% from September 2019. The Government is promising specific separate grant funding for schools towards this increase.
- 9) We need to conclude the annual round of consultation with maintained mainstream schools on De-delegation proposals for 2019-20 and with all mainstream schools on proposals to spend from the Central Schools Services Block. [See the attached paper].