

DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT: CENTRAL BUDGET RETENTION 2020-21 [for mainstream maintained schools and academies]

1) Growth funding within the Schools Block

Budget provision	£	Notes
Pupil Growth Fund	600,000	Supports mid-year basic need pupil growth of sufficient scale to trigger a new class arrangement. Also supports schools struggling to meet the KS1 class size regulation. PGF is only allocated where a school cannot address the issue from its own budget resources
Future pupil growth	737,500	The Schools Block allocation includes an element of funding towards the cost of future pupil growth within the system. For 2020-21 this has been calculated from a comparison of the October 2019 and October 2018 pupil census returns to provide a proxy measure of future growth for individual local authorities. This allocation pays for the Pupil Growth Fund provision above. The balance of the growth funding needs to be retained by the LA to support those schools in the system affected by planned changes to address demand for pupil places in the area, eg new schools growing by one year group per annum, schools asked to vary their admission number to take in additional pupils in a 'bulge' class arrangement.
TOTAL	£1,337,500	

2) The Central School Services Block

Budget provision	£	Notes
Servicing of Schools Forum	31,000	
Pupil Admissions Service	401,900	
School Organisation & Planning	139,600	
School Reorganisation Support	292,000	
Historic DSG pension commitments	170,400	Fixed historic commitment, the budget cannot be increased
National Copyright Licence charge	331,100	Forum approval is not required
(Former Education Service Grant retained duties) Per pupil allocation to the Council in respect of statutory and regulatory duties for all children in Kirklees	886,200	
TOTAL	£2,252,200	

In comparison to 2019-20, the national copyright licence charge has increased from £323,500 to £331,100 due to the combined effect of rising pupil numbers and price inflation; the former-ESG retained duties element in 2019-20 was £943,300 – the decrease for 2020-21 reflects the next phased step towards a lower CSSB level provided by this particular national funding formula.

3) Funding retained within the Early Years Block

Budget provision	Proposed £	Notes
Early Learning and Childcare	585,000	Free Early Education, Childcare Sufficiency and Early Years Outcomes Teams – funding to providers, free entitlement place sufficiency, supporting standards of delivery
Back office / management costs	71,200	Finance, payroll, HR, Legal, IT etc
Inclusion Support	40,400	Contribution to the Inclusion Officer team
Miscellaneous	12,000	Contribution to admissions, maternity, union duties etc
TOTAL	£708,600	

The introduction of '30 hours free childcare' and the resulting increase in the number of providers eligible to claim funding for the free entitlement (mainly after school-clubs and childminders) has placed unprecedented volume pressures on the teams which support children, families and early learning and childcare providers. Efficiency improvements have helped ensure that these pressures can continue to be met with existing resources. The proposed Early Years Block retention is 2.5%, well within the 5% level permitted by the government.

Consultation about 2020-21 Early Years funding and retention arrangements were held with the Early Years Reference group on 27th November 2019. There are no proposals to change these arrangements. This position will be considered by Schools Forum on 7th February 2020.

DE-DELEGATION 2020-21 [Maintained Mainstream Schools only]

Budget	Primary per pupil	Secondary per pupil	Notes
School Contingency	-£13.29	-£16.65	Used to correct funding errors, support schools facing emergencies, pick up costs it would be unfair to ask schools to meet, one-off financial interventions in schools in financial difficulty to help them secure necessary savings.
Free school meals eligibility checks	-£1.03	-£1.29	Customer & Exchequer service checks to identify children eligible to claim free school meals – helps schools maximise their deprivation-related funding
Maternity, paternity and adoptive leave	-£29.32	-£29.32	Central payment of salary costs during these leave periods so the school only pays the replacement costs
Trade union facilities time	-£5.72	£0.00	Pays for the release from schools of local TU officials to manage casework (competence, attendance, disciplinary etc) involving school staff
Public duties	-£0.16	-£0.20	School cover costs re staff on jury service, appearing as witnesses in court proceedings, serving as magistrates, serving as governors at another school etc
International new arrivals	-£1.58	-£1.98	Support to schools dealing with language-related issues of children admitted from different parts of the world
School Improvement Commissioning	-£4.50	-£12.01	Supports improvement interventions in schools – appropriate support to schools for the cost of implementing improvement action plans, brokering school-to-school support by meeting the cost of releasing staff from other schools to work with the school in need of support.
TOTALS	-£55.60	-£61.45	

The above picture of per pupil de-delegation is unchanged from financial year 2019-20.