

## Schools Forum 17 May 2012

### Consultation on schools funding reform: Next steps towards a fairer system.

This report is relevant to both maintained and academy schools

#### Recommendation

The School Forum is recommended to:

1. Comment on the draft consultation response as included in Appendix A

#### 1.0 Introduction

1.1 As discussed in the previous agenda item, the “Consultation on schools funding reform: Next steps towards a fairer system” proposes changes to the way in which schools are funded from April 2013. Some of these changes are firm and not subject to further consultation, whilst there are other areas where the Department for Education (DfE) is still considering the final position.

1.2 Appendix A is the consultation response form detailing the areas that are still open to comments. Also included is an initial draft response, developed following discussions held with Local Authority officers.

#### 2.0 Key Issues

2.1 The Schools Forum is requested to comment on these draft responses in Appendix A and offer additional or amended comments as necessary.

2.2 A joint Local Authority and Schools Forum response will then be submitted to the DfE before the deadline date of May 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### Background papers

Department for Education publication: Consultation on schools funding reform: Next steps towards a fairer system. March 26<sup>th</sup> 2012

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