Schools Forum

Date: Thursday 12 January 2023

Time: 2.00 pm

Venue: Microsoft Teams

Membership

Items on the agenda: -

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Voting and Actions from the Last Meeting

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- 3. National Funding Formula 2023-24
- 4. Early Years National Funding Formula 2023-24
- 5. Growth Fund 2023-24
- 6. DSG Monitoring Report 2022-23
- 7. Forward Plan
- 8. Chair's Business

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WARWICKSHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Voting and Actions of the meeting held on 12th January 2023

Microsoft Teams meeting 14:00 – 16:00 pm

SCHOOL FORUM MEMBERS

Alison Davies The Avon Valley School (Maintained)
Alison Ramsay Nicholas Chamberlaine School (Academy)
Amy Woodward North Leamington School (Academy)
Andy Mason Stratford Upon Avon School (Academy)

Carrie Clare Park Lane Primary & Race Leys Junior (Academy)
Catherine Crisp Hillmorton Primary School Rugby (Maintained)

Jane Burrows Myton School (Academy)

Joss Andrews Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery (Maintained)

Mary Anne Burrows PVI – The Burrow Nursery & Pre-School
Michael Cowland The Diocese of Coventry Multi Academy Trust
Nick Evans Evergreen School (Special Maintained)
Paul Gillett Representative from a Teacher's Union

Peter Husband 16-19 Partnership Sector

Philip Johnson Whitestone Infant School (Maintained Governor)

Ricky Emms The Priors School (Academy)

Rose Gunn Arden Forest Infant School (Maintained)

Sarah Bromley PVI - Castle Nursery

Siobhan Roberson Harris Church of England School (Academy)
Stephanie Ferries Bridgetown Primary School (Maintained)

Sybil Hanson Coventry Church of England Diocese Representative

OFFICERS/OBSERVERS

Andrew Felton Assistant Director - Finance

Brian Smith Education, Children and Families Technical Specialist
Dalbir Kaur Accountant, Children & Education - Clerk to Schools Forum

Duane Chappell Strategy & Commissioning Manager (SEND)

Emma Basden-Smith Education Capital, Sufficiency and Transport Lead Commissioner

Kamaljit Kaur Senior Accountant (Team Lead) Children & Education

Mandy Latham Early Years Entitlement, Sufficiency and Business Lead Commissioner

Purnima Sherwood Service Manager for Finance

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from the following members and Officers:

Chris Baird Assistant Director - Education Services

Councillor Kam Kaur Portfolio Holder for Education

Nicci Burton Atherstone and Bedworth Heath Nursery School (Maintained)

Rebecca Harrison Park Hill Thorns Federation (Maintained)

The following members did not attend and did not give their apologies:

Faye Padfield Abbots Farm Infant School (Maintained Governor)

Membership Update

Hillary Ward Governor at Central England Academy Trust (Special School) and Colin Atkin School Business Manager at Shipston High School (Secondary) has resigned as a member of the Schools Forum.

We would like to thank these two members for their contribution to the Schools forum.

There was one vacant seat for Academy representatives after the elections and now there are three vacant seats for Academy representatives.

Matters for decision:

2. Voting and Actions from the Last Meeting (Chair)

Agreed

No Actions.

3. National Funding Formula 2022-23 (Kamaljit Kaur) (Started 0:00, Ended 11:41)

Please note: the start and the end time is the recording time of the meeting.

Recommendation:

All Schools Forum members are asked to agree:

a) Schools Forum agree to recommend to Cabinet full implementation of the 'hard' National Funding Formula in 2023-24.

Voting: 15 members agree

4. Early Years National Funding Formula 2023-24 (Kamaljit Kaur) (Started 11:44, Ended 28:51)

Recommendations:

All Schools Forum members are asked to approve:

a) The Schools Forum is asked to approve increasing the deprivation rate to 62p per eligible child, deprivation supplement rate 9p and allocating the remaining available funding to the universal base rate of £4.51 for 2023-24. Warwickshire retaining 5% for central services.

Voting: 15 members agree

5. Growth Fund 2023-24 (Emma Basden-Smith) (Started 28:53, Ended 35:43)

Recommendations:

All Schools Forum members are asked to agree:

a) The recommendation is schools Forum to agree Growth Funding requirements of estimated at £3,509,990 million (including recoupable amounts) for 2023-24.

Voting: 15 members agree

Matters for Information/Comment:

6. DSG Monitoring Report 2022-23 (Brian Smith) (Started 35:45, Ended 1:18:40)

Recommendations:

All Schools Forum members are asked to note:

- Note the DSG forecast financial outturn position for 2022/23, as at end of December 2022. Note
 that that the December forecast deadline had not passed at the point of lifting the forecasts, but
 no material changes are expected.
- Note the forecasted position of the DSG reserve at financial outturn position for 2022/23.

This "DSG Monitoring Report 2022-23" report is for information only.

7. Forward Plan (Dalbir Kaur) (Started 1:18:44, Ended 1:20:24)

Next meeting is on 23 March - Via Microsoft Teams there are three items for decision.

Purnima Sherwood

 The annual review of the future schools forum meetings will take place in the March meeting. We have kindly had couple of offers to hold face to face meetings at different venues.

Action: We will make further investigations about the opportunities for where the meeting could be located and will bring some options to the March meeting. We will ask schools forum to confirm whether they want to have the face-to-face meetings in the identified locations.

We have had a couple of resignations.

Actions: We will see if there is a requirement to potentially ask for further nominations to fill the seats and bring it to March meeting.

8. Chairs Business

Chair did not have any business.

Note: All voting took place via Hands up function on teams.

Meeting concludes at 15:30pm.

Next Meeting on Thursday 23rd March 2023, 2:00pm to 4:00 pm.

If you would like to listen to the full meeting, please click here

