Schools Forum

4 June 2020

Update on Matters Arising

This report relates to all members of the Schools Forum

Recommendations

The Schools Forum is asked to note the update on the matters arising following the 19 March 2020 meeting of the Schools Forum. The meeting was cancelled - due to the Covid-19 pandemic many Schools Forum members either sending their apologies or asking for the meeting to be cancelled. As a result, three critical areas for consideration were dealt with virtually and the outcome of this is included within this matters arising update.

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to outline for the Schools Forum any matters arising from the minutes of the last Forum meeting that are not already being considered elsewhere on today's agenda.

2. Letter to DfE on sparsity

- 2.1. Schools Forum Members were asked to endorse sending a letter to the DfE regarding allocating money to the sparsity factor.
- 2.2. Schools and PVI sector representatives could vote on this item.
- 2.3. Nine members of Schools Forum needed to vote on this issue in order to be quorate.
- 2.4. Eleven members voted on this recommendation with 8 agreeing and 3 abstaining.
- 2.5. The letter was sent to the DfE and the Local Authority is in continuing discussion with the DfE on this issue.

3. **DSG Budget Proposal 2020-21**

3.1. Schools Forum Members were asked to approve the DSG budget for 2020/21 for the

Central School Services block.

3.2. All Schools Forum representatives could vote on this item.

3.3. Eleven members of Schools Forum needed to vote on this issue in order to be quorate.

3.4. Twelve members voted on this recommendation with 11 agreeing and 1 abstaining

Schools Forum Elections 4.

4.1. Schools Forum Members agreed to defer the election process until later in the year.

4.2. All Schools Forum representatives could vote on this item.

4.3. Eleven members of Schools Forum needed to vote on this issue in order to be quorate.

4.4. Twelve members voted on this recommendation all with 12 agreed to this

recommendation.

4.5. It is recommended that the elections take place in during September 2020 with the first

meeting of the new Schools Forum taking place in late October 2020.

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