RESPONSES TO SEPTEMBER 2005 CONSULTATION PAPER **APPENDIX C**

RESP	ALLOCATION OF THRESHOLD GRANT	SOCIAL DEPRIVATION FACTOR	SPLIT SITE FACTORS	PLACE FACTOR FOR NURSERY SCHOOLS	REVIEW OF FINANACIAL REGULATION	SEN ISSUES	FUNDING FOR MERGED SCHOOLS	SMALL LOAN SCHEME	HARD TO PLACE CHILDREN	OTHER
1 C	Agree with replicating 2005/06 model	Remove £1,000 floor	Agree with methodology proposed. Cardinal Hinsley should continue in full for 3 more years	Agree with proposal	Agree with the proposed Financial Regulations	Need to better fund pupils with profound needs Statements should provide reasonable funding Rigorous monitoring system by LA	Agree merging schools should have appropriate transitional funding	Agree with proposed scheme		
2 Sp						Pupil weighting factor for special schools needs to reflect increase pupil needs				
3 P		Double current allocation	Support phasing out Cardinal Hinsley factor			Decoupling should be conditional on significant additional funding	Not agree. Extra costs should be met by LA			

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4P		The value of this factor should be doubled								Increase allocation to small schools. Create a new building factor linked to condition. Correct imbalance of primary funding
5P										Correct imbalance of primary funding. Increase lump sum for small schools. Allocate funding for gifted and talented pupils
6S		Allocate funding with reference to postcodes. And increase the value of the factor	Do not agree to continuing the split site factor for the Convent/Cardinal Hinsley Federation							

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7S	Allocate purely by pupil numbers. No reason to "reward" schools for high historic spending on threshold.									Simplify formula – base on pupil driven plus AEN factor in RSG. Plus a few out other factors (e.g. NNDR)
8P		The Authority should consider doubling the funding allocated through this factor								Correct primary /secondary funding imbalance. Enhance mobility factor re transient populations Add to EMTAG funding
9P *	Link directly to numbers of staff progressing. Make less bureaucratic.	Not convinced that a dramatic change in value would be of benefit.	Not support change that increases value of factor. Base on actual extra costs. Phase out over time (Federation factor also)	Supports the points raised by the nursery school heads	Review is timely. Phasing in makes sense re Self Assessment Tool.	Review is timely and supported Decoupling supported if pot for SEN grows in line with pupils' needs. Threshold £6,500.	Should not be a separate factor. Costs should be met from central contingency. Funding prior to opening should be central.	Finance Dept must be able to deals with demand without undue delays. Process should not be onerous	This is welcomed, although not entirely what Admissions Forum had in mind	Address primary /secondary funding imbalance. Add Council funding if necessary. Pressures re TLR, IL Weighting & workforce reform

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10P	Link to numbers of staff progressing up their pay spines in each school. Distribution should reflect true cost as closely as possible. Make allocation less bureaucratic.	Keep size of allocation same as previous year.	Distribution should more fairly reflect actual costs. Redress discrepancy between Alperton and Kingsbury. The Federation split site factor should be phased out	Reviewing the per pupil factor is justified.	The review of the Financial regulations is appropriate.	The review of the formula for special schools is appropriate Decoupling: Wait for next consultation paper before responding	Should not be a separate factor as only likely to be one merger.	Should be beneficial, but should not be too onerous. Finance Dept must have capacity to deal with requests	The proposal seems appropriate although not entirely what the Admissions Forum had in mind	Budget Shares should be more fairly distributed between primary and secondary. If possible, Members should enhance the DSB/ISB. Impact of TLR needs to be factored in. Single Status costs unlikely to be covered by DSB increase.
11N				Support the proposal to enable proper staffing levels to be sustained in the classroom.						
12P							Estimated extra cost of merger £300k over 2 years (see letter): £150k p.a. required			

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13S	Base on 2005/06 methodology. Future allocations should be based on actual posts	Strongly support increase in this factor (at least double). Should be based on actual pupils, not percentage on roll and £1,000 threshold should be deleted.	The revised methodology seems equitable and is supported. Re Federation, agree to phase out, but over two years			Decoupling: Deeply concerned about impact on funding pupils below "cut-off". Will lead to inadequate funding. If pursue, threshold should be around £4k.	The extra funding should be made available for one year only. Amount should be a function of the difficulties and size of schools. Not convinced that it should be in formula			Needs led: Free School Meals should be used across sectors. CATs inappropriate Non statemented SEN: Re-establish differential between action & action plus. Increase free school meals factor value re healthy eating initiative.
14TP						Cautious welcome to decoupling. Great care must be taken with the threshold figure.				

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15P	Support the replication of the 2005/06 methodology. Not agree with either alternative	Remove the £1,000 threshold	Proposals seem logical and fair re Alperton and Kingsbury. Federation: Further 3 years seems excessive, Support Forum's proposal for phasing out.	Accepted, provided it applies to all schools accepting children on their third birthday (including primary schools)	Agree with the proposed regulations	Await the further paper. Decoupling: Not supported. May work if cut-off is below the cost of a specialist teacher. Protection factor should be applied.	Some transitional funding may be justified (or a loan?) The longer protection is in place, the less incentive there is to take efficiency savings. Financial need will depend on the individual circumstance of each school.	No objection to this proposal	Agree to the proposal	Increase in Free School Meals funding above inflation to support the provision of good quality meals.
16P (Late)										Pupil mobility factor value is inadequate – additional funding should be allocated to it.

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