

Schools Forum

Tuesday 21 February 2023 at 6.00 pm

This will be undertaken as an online virtual meeting.

The press and public are welcome to attend this online virtual meeting. The link to attend and view the meeting will be made available [HERE](#)

Membership

Representing

SCHOOL MEMBERS

Nursery

Nisha Lingam
Angela Turner

Head
Governor

Primary

Vacancy
Michelle Ginty
Melissa Loosemoore
Raphael Moss
Vacancy
Michael Odumosu
Geraldine Chadwick(Vice Chair)
Ernest Toquie
Cassie Lloyd Perrin

Head
Head
Head
Head
Governor
Governor
Governor
Governor
Governor

Secondary

Vacancy

Head (Maintained)

Special Education Needs

Nick Cooper

Head

Pupil Referral Unit

Ranjna Shiyani

ACADEMY MEMBERS

Primary

Vacancy
Jo Jhally

Head
Governor

Secondary

Andy Prindiville	Head
Jude Enright	Head
Gerard McKenna	Head
Vacancy	Governor
Martin Beard	Governor
Mike Heiser (Chair)	Governor

Special Education Needs

Jayne Jardine	Head
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NON –SCHOOL MEMBERS

Early Years PVI

Paul Russell
Wioletta Bura

Trade Union

John Roche/Jennifer Cooper

16-19 Provider Representative

Vacancy

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Notes for Members - Declarations of Interest:

If a Member is aware they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest* in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent and must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item.

If a Member is aware they have a Personal Interest** in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent.

If the Personal Interest is also significant enough to affect your judgement of a public interest and either it affects a financial position or relates to a regulatory matter then after disclosing the interest to the meeting the Member must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item, except that they may first make representations, answer questions or give evidence relating to the matter, provided that the public are allowed to attend the meeting for those purposes.

***Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:**

- (a) **Employment, etc.** - Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit gain.
- (b) **Sponsorship** - Any payment or other financial benefit in respect of expenses in carrying out duties as a member, or of election; including from a trade union.
- (c) **Contracts** - Any current contract for goods, services or works, between the Councillors or their partner (or a body in which one has a beneficial interest) and the council.
- (d) **Land** - Any beneficial interest in land which is within the council's area.
- (e) **Licences**- Any licence to occupy land in the council's area for a month or longer.
- (f) **Corporate tenancies** - Any tenancy between the council and a body in which the Councillor or their partner have a beneficial interest.
- (g) **Securities** - Any beneficial interest in securities of a body which has a place of business or land in the council's area, if the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body or of any one class of its issued share capital.

****Personal Interests:**

The business relates to or affects:

- (a) Anybody of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management, and:
 - To which you are appointed by the council;
 - which exercises functions of a public nature;
 - which is directed is to charitable purposes;
 - whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy (including a political party or trade union).
- (b) The interests of a person from whom you have received gifts or hospitality of at least £50 as a member in the municipal year;

Or

A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial position of:

- You yourself;
- a member of your family or your friend or any person with whom you have a close association or any person or body who is the subject of a registrable personal interest.

Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Item	Page
1 Apologies for Absence and Membership	
2 Declarations of Interest	
3 Deputations (if Any)	
4 Minutes of the previous meeting	1 - 10

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 19th January 2023 as a correct record.

5 Actions arising

To consider any actions arising from previous meetings.

- **Action Point 82.** - The Forum required further clarification to be sought on the issue of Brent teaching staff being paid an inner London salary despite Brent being funded at an outer London scale. Officers advised that this had been a historical decision to attract teaching staff in to the borough, however acknowledged the financial challenges this raised for schools in the current economic climate. Officers agreed to raise the disparity in funding with the DfE and update the Schools Forum when a response had been received.
- **Action Point 83** - The Forum requested to see the criteria that schools were required to meet in order to request support from the Schools Facing Financial Difficulties Fund (SFFD).
- **Action Point 84** – The Forum required a future report that illustrates the tracking of the redundancy costs requested and the savings those schools struggling financially have achieved as a result of the support received from the redundancy pot to support monitoring the benefits of having a redundancy pot.
- **Action 85** – The Forum requested further information at a future meeting detailing data on the distribution of additional funding awarded by the Early Years Panel.

6 Dedicated Schools Grant Budget Monitoring Report 2022/23 11 - 20

This report provides Schools Forum with an update on the forecast financial position for 2022/23. The reported position is against the budget set in consultation with Schools Forum and submitted to the Department for Education (DfE) on the Section 251 budget return.

7 Dedicated Schools Grant - High Needs Block Management Plan Update 21 - 28

To update the Schools Forum on the DSG High Needs Block Deficit Management Plan

8 Dedicated Schools Grant High Needs Block Budget 2023/24 29 - 36

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9 Scheme for Financing Schools and Financial Regulations 2023/24 37 - 134

This report details the changes to be implemented to the Scheme for Financing Schools and the Schools Financial Regulations for the financial year 2023/24.

10 Any Other Urgent Business

11 Dates of Future Meetings

To note the provisional schedule of dates for future meetings during 2023/24 as follows:

- Tuesday 20 June 2023
- Thursday 12 October 2023
- Tuesday 5 December 2023 (additional date if needed)
- Thursday 25 January 2024
- Tuesday 20 February 2024