

Schools Forum 22 May 2007

Report of the Director of Children's Services

Section 52 Budget Statement 2007/08 Purpose of Report

1. To report to Schools Forum the Section 52 Budget Statement for the 2007/08 financial year.

Budget Working Group Discussed

2. No

Schools Forum Action

3. To note distribution of Section 52 Budget Statement for 2007/08 to Heads and Chairs.

Attachments

4. S52 Budget Statement 2007/08 – See separate enclosure.

Sue Coates Senior Principal Accountant 8 May 2007



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Purpose of Report

1. To report to Schools Forum the publication of the Section 52 Budget Statement for the 2007/08 financial year.

Background

- 2. Every local authority is required to provide each school within the Authority with statements relating to the Authority's planned expenditure on schools for the forthcoming financial year; this is known as the Section 52 Budget Statement. This information complies with the requirements of Section 52 of the Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998.
- 3. The data can also be found on <u>Inside Dudley/Children's Services/Resources&</u> <u>Planning/Education Finance Team/Section 52 Budget Statement 2007-08</u>
- 4. Dudley's Section 52 Budget Statement is attached as a separate enclosure for information.

Finance

- 5. The funding of schools is prescribed by the DfES through the School Finance (England) Regulations 2007
- 6. From 1st April 2006, the Schools Budget is funded by a direct DfES grant: Dedicated School Grant (DSG).

Law

 Councils' LMS Schemes are made under Section 48 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998. The Education Acts 1996 and 2002 also have provisions relating to school funding.

Equality Impact

8. The Council's Equal Opportunities Policy is taken into account when considering the allocation of resources.

Recommendation

9. Schools Forum is asked to note the S52 Budget Statement for 2007/08.

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