

DfE Fair Funding Conference – 4 June 2014

<b>DfE Headlines</b>	<b>Details</b>
Priority School Building Programme – Capital bids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criteria to apply now on DfE website.</li> <li>• Round 2</li> </ul>
SEND – ECHP Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. Education Health Care Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• September 20 14 issue local offer.</li> <li>• Universal SEN through to ECHP.</li> <li>• EHCP Include all aspects by 2017 (transport/leisure etc)- need to define which funding is being included -ie top up/transport/social care etc.</li> <li>• Manchester pilot –said their findings are:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20% = Health</li> <li>• 50% = Education</li> <li>• 30% = Care</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Should be reviewed /discussed via Joint Strategic Plan at Health and Wellbeing Board.</li> <li>• Draft code of Practice – is almost final so worth reading.</li> <li>• Personal Budgets defined as 4 areas:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct payments</li> <li>• Organised arrangement</li> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> party arrangement</li> <li>• Combination of the 3</li> </ul> </li> <li>• SEN reform board agrees spend SEN grant               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grant split across Education, Health and Care</li> <li>• Geographical teams</li> <li>• Additional Educational Psychology</li> <li>• Careers guidance</li> <li>• Releasing staff in school</li> <li>• Communication in school</li> <li>• Workforce development</li> <li>• Information Technology Upgrades</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Funding Streams likely to include:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dedicated Schools Grant High Needs</li> <li>• Social Care – Children’s and Adults including short breaks</li> <li>• Looked after Children/care leaver</li> <li>• SEN transport</li> <li>• Health including continuing healthcare</li> <li>• Equipment</li> <li>• DWP – DLA, Personal Independence payment</li> <li>• And Real Wealth ( Community and family support)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
School Improvement Ofsted of LA s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need to understand role of Schools Forum in this and particularly <u>Use of Resources</u> criteria.</li> <li>• Schools Forum role – Challenge and scrutiny: SF may be asked to agree proposals from their LA which have an effect on all schools and academies in the area. The extent to which Schools Forum can scrutinise and challenge such proposals is an important aspect of their effectiveness from an Ofsted inspectors view.</li> <li>• 5 Days notice inspection –consider draft Self Evaluation Forum for the LA.</li> <li>• 9 Inspections to 4 June – 2 effective outcomes 7 not effective LA s.</li> </ul> <p>Walsall 16 June Ofsted commenced.</p>

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Teachers Pension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase September 20 16.</li> </ul>
Growth Fund for 2015/16 Primary schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools Forum to consider this for 2015/16 – report in Autumn 2014.</li> </ul>
Outcomes of Minimum Funding Limit consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expected July 2014 per DFE –late July.</li> <li>• Update Schools Forum in September of outcomes.</li> <li>• Likely £350m will be deployed broadly as advised – but maybe a small tweak to original proposal.</li> </ul>
Special Educational needs (SEN) and high needs funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children &amp; Families Act 2014 – new legal basis for SEN. Will lead to a revised Code of Practice.</li> <li>• Extra LA funding (SEN reform grant) is to support practical implementation.</li> <li>• 2015-16 changes for consideration – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• greater consistency on £10k per place across post 16, independent. &amp; <u>possibly AP</u>. Thereby increasing AP place cost from £8k to £10k.</li> <li>• The £2k increase would need to be met from within existing LA resources.</li> <li>• Favoured option is to use 2014/15 place numbers &amp; roll them forward to 2015/16. This could mean allocations in December 2014 rather than March 2015.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• July publication planned with consultation over the summer &amp; early Autumn.</li> <li>• Possible use of census Individual Learning Record data in the future rather than places return but this would create timing issues for LA's.</li> </ul>
2015-16 Funding Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authority Pro forma Tool modified slightly for 2015-16 to be issued before end of Summer term, submission required October &amp; January.</li> <li>• L.A. Minimum Funding Levels (£350m) to be confirmed at same time as above.</li> <li>• Operational Guidance to be issued before end of Summer term and Minimum Funding Guarantee exclusions and exceptional factors – requests for disapplication to be submitted by 30 September.</li> <li>• Growth Fund / Falling Rolls Fund / Targeted High Needs– Good practice examples of criteria and formulae to be issued.</li> </ul>
Universal Infant Free School Meals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Southwark implemented all primary age from September 2013.</li> <li>• Pupil Premium “form” –issued by schools when parents visit prior to September intake. If low income school issue Free School Meals (FSM) application.</li> <li>• School incentives offered for completed forms received (i.e. free school sweatshirt).</li> <li>• Reconciliation of School Census FSM to Benefits data (caused issue for first couple of terms).</li> </ul>
Early Years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Year olds – From 2015/16 No trajectory funding and no estimated place funding.</li> <li>• All funding “participation –led” initially based on Jan 15 Census data (School Census and Early Years Census) Education</li> </ul>

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	<p>Funding Agency provide hourly rate but L.A.s calculate funding for themselves (not notified by EFA).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Possibly updated Oct 15 or Jan 16 but consultation to be issued once proposals confirmed.</li><li>• Early Years Pupil Premium- NEW – approx £50m <i>within DSG</i> not separate grant. Will be allocated by an additional hourly rate £xxx (to be confirmed) – must be passed directly to pupils and follow pupils. (issues for L.A.s administrative burden to allocate termly ?).</li></ul>
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