



## **Dudley Schools Forum**


**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 at 6.00pm  
at Saltwells Education Development Centre,  
Bowling Green Road, Netherton, Dudley**

### **Agenda - Public Session (Meeting open to the public and press)**

1. Introductions by the Chair
2. Apologies for absence.
3. To report the appointment of any substitutes for this meeting of the Forum.
4. To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 (attached).
5. Any other matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 not included on the agenda for this meeting.
6. Schools Reserves and Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) Assurance Testing (Pages 1 - 4)
7. Dedicated Schools Grant Budget Process 2015/16 (Pages 5 - 18)
8. Schools with Licensed Deficits Monitoring Update (Verbal update)
9. School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2014 (Pages 19 - 25)
10. Schools Forum Constitution (Pages 26 - 42)
11. Matters Arising November 2014
  - Funding for Disadvantaged Two Year Olds – Sufficiency and Takeup Data (Verbal update)
  - Family Support Workers working in Early Years settings (Verbal update)

12. Dates of Future Meetings

24 <sup>th</sup> February, 2015	Saltwells Education Development Centre, Bowling Green Road, Netherton, DY2 9LY.
24 <sup>th</sup> March, 2015	Saltwells Education Development Centre, Bowling Green Road, Netherton, DY2 9LY.
2 <sup>nd</sup> June, 2015	Saltwells Education Development Centre, Bowling Green Road, Netherton, DY2 9LY.
7 <sup>th</sup> July, 2015	Saltwells Education Development Centre, Bowling Green Road, Netherton, DY2 9LY.



**Strategic Director (Resources and Transformation)**

**Dated 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2015**

**Distribution:**

**Members of Dudley Schools Forum**

Mr Bate; Mrs Belcher; Mr Conway; Mr Derham; Mrs Garratt; Mrs Hannaway; Mrs N Jones; Mr Kelleher; Mr Kilbride; Mrs Kings; Mr Nesbitt; Mr Oakley; Mr Patterson; Mrs Quigley; Mr Ridley; Ms Rogers; Mrs Ruffles; Mr Shaw; Mrs Stowe; Mr Ward; Mrs Withers; Mrs Wylie

**Non-Voting Attendees**

Councillor T Crumpton - Cabinet Member for Integrated Children's Services;  
Councillor M Mottram - Chair of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee;  
P Sharratt – Interim Director of Children's Services;  
H Powell/T Brittain – Acting Assistant Director of Children's Services;  
I McGuff – Assistant Director of Children's Services;  
K Cocker – Children's Services Finance Manager, Directorate of Corporate Resources;  
S Coates – Principal Accountant, Directorate of Corporate Resources.

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