

SCHOOLS' FORUM

Day: Tuesday
Date: 11 July 2017
Time: 1.30 pm
Place: Lesser Hall 2 - Dukinfield Town Hall

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SCHOOLS FORUM

14 February 2017

Commenced:	1.30pm	Terminated:	2.55pm
Present:	Janet Rathburn (Chair)	Primary Schools – Academies	
	Lisa Gallagher	Primary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Scott Lees	Primary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Steve Marsland	Primary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Karen Burns	Primary Schools - Academies	
	Anthony McDermott	Governor, Primary Schools- L/A Maintained	
	Pam Hirst	Governor, Primary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Susan Marsh	Governor, Primary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Richard O'Regan	Secondary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Brendan Hesketh	Secondary Schools - Academies	
	Betty Jones	Governor, Secondary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Robin Elms	Special Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Jeffrey Mellor	Governor, Academy Special Schools	
	Maureen Brettell	Pupil Referral Services	
	Elaine Horridge	Diocesan Representative	
	Lorna Meredith	Early Years Private Voluntary & Independent Sector	
	Anton McGrath	14-19 Sector	
	Anne Slater	NUT	
	Stephen Wilde	Head of Resource Management	
	David Thompstone	Senior Resource Manager	
Apologies for absence:			
	Des Howlett	Primary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Bev Alford	Primary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Janet Burns	Secondary Schools – L/A Maintained	
	Gill McFadden	Secondary Schools – Academies	
	Councillor J Fitzpatrick	First Deputy (Performance and Finance)	
	Councillor L Travis	Executive Member – Lifelong Learning	

61. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Forum held on 17 January 2017, having been circulated, were approved as a correct record.

62. DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT FUNDING FORMULA 2017/18

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director, Finance, giving details of the arrangements concerning the Dedicated Schools Grant Funding Formula proposals for 2017/18. It was explained that a report on the changes to the schools funding process was initially brought to the Schools Forum in May 2012 following consultation by the Department for Education (DfE) and the Education Funding Agency (EFA) which started in March 2012. The DfE/EFA had continued to amend School Funding Regulations and to consult on potential changes to the funding formula over the intervening years, but some of their initial aims were:

- Ensuring that 'funding followed the pupil' by restricting the ability to direct funding towards school organisation or premises issues;
- Rewarding schools that attract pupils;

- Ensuring transparency, so schools in similar positions received similar levels of funding;
- Being simpler than the current process; and
- Maximising delegation.

In this context, and as agreed with the Heads and Chairs of Governors, the priority for the 2013/14 local funding formula was to work within the parameters established by the DfE, whilst trying to secure financial stability for local schools as they moved from one funding regime to another. This approach was continued between 2014/15 and 2016/17 where only minor changes were made to funding unit rates in Tameside.

The report contained a summary of the DSG allocations from the DfE/EFA and how they had been used in Tameside in 2016/17 and the estimated use in 2017/18.

The proposed funding formulas for Mainstream Schools in Tameside in 2017/18 and pre and post 16 High Needs, were also provided.

Details were given of the services where the Council was proposing to centrally retain funding. The services concerned were: Admissions, Schools Forum Support and Retained Duties funding that had been transferred from the Education Services Grant (ESG) into the DSG for the first time in 2017/18.

Members were further asked to consider the de-delegation of mandatory charging to all Council Maintained Schools of the following school services:

- Behaviour for Learning and Inclusion Service (BLIS)
- Equality, Multiculturalism and Access Team (EMAT)
- Staff Cover for Trade Union Support; and
- Schools Contingency.

The de-delegation rates in 2017/18 were detailed in the report and members of the Primary and Secondary Maintained sectors respectively were asked to indicate for each sector whether they supported the de-delegation of the services detailed above.

RESOLVED

- (i) **That the content of the report be noted.**
- (ii) **That the Primary Maintained School Members agree to de-delegate the costs of the following services in financial year 2017/18:**
 - **Staff cover for Trade Union Support; and**
 - **Schools Contingency.**
- (iii) **That the Secondary Maintained School Members agree to de-delegate the costs of the following services in financial year 2017/18:**
 - **Staff cover for Trade Union Support.**
- (iv) **That the following be approved in principle:**
 - (a) **The retention of £544,680 of DSG in 2017/18 by the Council in relation to former ESG funded Retained Duties;**
 - (b) **The retention of £158,000 of DSG in 2017/18 to support the cost of the Admissions service; and**
 - (c) **The retention of £5,000 of DSG in 2017/18 to support the cost of the Schools' Forum.**

63. DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT EARLY YEARS FUNDING CONSULTATION 2017/18

The Assistant Executive Director, Finance, submitted a report giving details of the updated Early Years funding allocation proposals for 2017/18.

It was explained that the funding for placements for 2, 3 and 4 year olds attending both School and Private/Voluntary/Independent Nursery provision was provided through the Dedicated Schools

Grant (DSG). The Department for Education (DFE) issued an update of changes they had made to the associated funding regime through the draft Childcare (Early Years Provision Free of Charge) (Extended Entitlement) Regulations 2016. They also issued their summary of the responses to the associated Autumn 2016 consultation in relation to this area of funding and new operational guidance for the allocation of the associated DSG funding for 2017/18.

As part of the changes that were being proposed, the different elements of funding that would be available through the Early Years element of the DSG in 2017/18, were detailed.

It was further explained that the comparable estimated Early Years Funding being allocated through the DSG in Tameside for 2017/18 was £12,889,639 and the equivalent amount was £10,759,597 for 2016/17. These figures only included the funding for the universal 15 hour offer for 3 and 4 year olds, the 2 year old offer and the Early Years Pupil Premium. This was because the Disability Access fund and the Extension to 30 hours for working parents were not comparable to 2016/17, as they were new elements of the funding.

Further details of each element of Early Years funding through the DSG were detailed in the report and a summary of the DFE estimate of the funding changes between 2016/17 and 2017/18 was given.

Forum members were informed that a copy of the report was issued as a consultation document to Schools with Nursery Units and Private, voluntary and Independent Nursery providers, with a deadline of return by 14 February 2017.

Discussion ensued with regard to the above and Forum members welcomed the increase in funding, however concerns were expressed that Tameside had, historically, received a relatively low level of funding and there was still not enough to cover costs.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the content of the report be noted; and**
- (ii) That the results of the consultation be circulated to all providers.**

64. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr McDermott, Governor, L/A Maintained Primary Schools, sought information with regard to the availability of Governor Training. The Senior Resource Manager agreed to contact the appropriate officer and respond to McDermott outside of the meeting.

The Chair informed the Forum that she would be retiring as a Head Teacher in the summer and therefore, would also be stepping down as the Chair of the Forum.

She further informed everyone that David Thompstone, Senior Resource Manager, was leaving the Authority in April 2017. The Chair thanked David for his very valuable support and, on behalf of Forum members and colleagues, wished him well for his future endeavours.

65. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

To note the date of the next meeting of the Schools Forum as Tuesday 11 July 2017.

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Report To:	SCHOOLS FORUM
Date:	11 July 2017
Reporting Officer:	Bob Berry – Assistant Executive Director - Learning Ian Duncan – Assistant Executive Director - Finance
Subject:	2016/17 PROVISIONAL SCHOOL BALANCES
Report Summary:	A report on the provisional school balances at 31 March 2017.
Recommendations:	<p>Members of the Forum are recommended to note the contents of this report.</p> <p>Members of the Forum are also requested to consider whether to continue with the existing excess revenue surplus balance monitoring mechanism for schools within the Borough from 1 April 2017 i.e. planned commitments are required for revenue surplus balances in excess of 8% of delegated revenue budget for Primary and Special schools and 5% of delegated revenue budget for Secondary schools. Commitment details are to be reported to the October 2017 Schools Forum which will have the opportunity to consider a redistribution mechanism for any uncommitted revenue balances above permitted thresholds.</p>
Links to Community Strategy:	Effectively calculated and targeted resources will improve access to a high quality education experience for all our children.
Policy Implications:	The Dedicated Schools Grant is delegated to schools in line with national school funding regulations. Schools must manage their budgets in line with the Tameside Scheme of Finance for Schools (2015).
Financial Implications: (Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)	<p>Schools with a projected excess revenue surplus balance (greater than 8% of in year delegated funding for primary and special schools and greater than 5% of in year delegated funding for secondary schools) are required to have an agreed plan of commitments in place. Details will be presented to the 2017 Autumn Term Schools Forum meeting for consideration.</p> <p>Schools with a projected deficit balance in any year of the current three year budget planning period are required to have an agreed recovery plan in place with the Council to deliver a balanced budget within an agreed timescale. Section 5.4 of the report states there are a number outstanding three year budget (and recovery plans where appropriate). These will be requested from relevant schools as a matter of urgency.</p> <p>All schools need to ensure they are producing budget plans which are as accurate as possible and that these plans are monitored against actual income and expenditure throughout the financial year. Where necessary, revised budget plans should be submitted to the Council on a timely basis.</p>

Legal Implications:

(Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

There is a statutory duty to use resources efficiently and effectively against priorities.

Risk Management:

The correct accounting treatment of the Dedicated Schools Grant is a condition of the grant and procedures exist in budget monitoring and the closure of accounts to ensure that this is achieved. These will be subject to regular review.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION:**NON-CONFIDENTIAL**

This report does not contain information which warrants its consideration in the absence of the Press or members of the public.

Access To Information:

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1. BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Final school balances for 2015/16 were presented to the Schools Forum on 18 October 2016.
- 1.2 Total reconciled school balances (inclusive of revenue and capital) at 31 March 2016 were £7.187m. This was a decrease of £1.602m on the balance reported at 31 March 2015.
- 1.3 The provisional level of school balances as at 31 March 2017 are £4.419m, a decrease of £2.768m on the balance reported at 31 March 2016. It is important to note that £0.385m of this reduction relates to the 6 schools which converted to Academy Status between 1 April 2016 and 31 March 2017, and those balances are therefore no longer included within the cumulative school balances of maintained schools within Tameside. The balances on conversion are shown in **Table 1** below:

Table 1

School	Academy Conversion Date	Balance as at 31 March 2016 £m	Balance on Conversion £m
Oakfield Primary School	1 April 2016	0.123	0.123
Godley Primary School	1 April 2016	0.038	0.038
Flowery Field Primary School	1 June 2016	0.107	0.124
Bradley Green Primary School	1 September 2016	0.112	0.048
Dowson Primary School	1 September 2016	(0.038)	(0.130)
St Paul Primary School (Stalybridge)	1 March 2017	0.043	0.033
		0.385	0.235

- 1.4 The reduction in balances during 2016/17 for those schools which were Maintained Schools at 31 March 2017 was £2.533m.
- 1.5 There are currently 5 Academy Conversions which are expected to take place during 2017/18, of which, four will be converter academies (Leigh Primary School, Waterloo Primary School, Broadoak Primary School and Longdendale High School) and one school (Astley Sports College) will be a sponsored academy. There are two further schools which have applications to convert to Academy Status waiting to be approved by the Department for Education (DfE) and more schools could apply and convert before the end of the financial year, which would further reduce the total level of balances.
- 1.6 **Table 2** (below) provides summary details of the cumulative level of Tameside school balances for the previous three financial years.

Table 2

Financial Year	Revenue Balance £m	Capital Balance £m	Total Balance £m	Change in Year £m
2014/2015	8.363	0.425	8.789	(2.792)
2015/2016	6.710	0.477	7.187	(1.602)
2016/2017	Analysis not yet available		4.419	(2.768)

- 1.7 **Appendix A** shows a breakdown of school's balances as at 31 March 2017. It shows which schools have had their balances confirmed and which are still provisional. All balances will be finalised by the CFR (Consistent Financial Report) deadline of 21 July 2017. A further report will be presented to the Schools Forum in October 2017 which will detail the final balances, planned commitments for schools with a surplus balances over the agreed thresholds and a summary of individual schools balances over the last 3 years. It should be noted that these details are not available at this stage.

2. PROVISIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL BALANCES

- 2.1 There were 61 primary schools (81% of all Tameside schools) with surplus balances at 31 March 2017, with a total value of £6.473m.
- 2.2 There was 1 primary school (1% of all Tameside Schools) with a deficit balance, amounting to £0.009m
- 2.3 A total of 22 primary schools increased their level of balances by £0.675m, whilst 39 primary schools had a combined reduction of £1.277m.

3. PROVISIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL BALANCES

- 3.1 There were 2 secondary schools (3% of all Tameside schools) with surplus balances at 31 March 2017, amounting to £0.431m.
- 3.2 There were 6 secondary schools (8% of all Tameside Schools) with deficit balances, at a combined value of £2.681m.
- 3.3 All 8 secondary schools reduced their level of balances, by a total of £1.619m.

4. PROVISIONAL SPECIAL SCHOOL BALANCES (INC. TAMESIDE PUPIL REFERRAL SERVICE)

- 4.1 There were 4 special schools (6% of all Tameside schools) with surplus balances at 31 March 2017, worth a total of £0.285m.
- 4.2 There was 1 special school (1% of all Tameside schools) with a deficit balance of £0.088m.
- 4.3 There were 2 special schools that increased their balances, by a total of £0.076m. The other 3 schools experienced a reduction in balances of £0.240m.

5. SCHOOLS WITH DEFICIT BALANCES

- 5.1 Along with all other Local Authorities, Tameside introduced a new funding model in April 2013. Whilst the new model has meant changes for many schools in their levels of their funding, the Minimum Funding Guarantee has protected those schools which would have seen a large decrease in funding. The nature of the Minimum Funding Guarantee means that this protection reduces in future years and therefore it is now having an impact on school balances.
- 5.2 As set out above there were 8 schools with deficit balances at 31 March 2017. The provisional total of these deficits is £2.778m, an increase of £1.433m since 31 March 2016.

- 5.3 Reductions on this scale are clearly not sustainable and budget plans for 2017/18 will be closely scrutinised. In doing so it of interest to note that historically school budget plans can be particularly pessimistic. For example, budget plans from schools in 2016/17 indicated balances would fall by approximately £6.5m compared to the actual reduction in balances of £2.5m. Therefore concerns are once again raised over the accuracy of budget plans submitted to the Council. School budget plans are used by the Council for a variety of purposes, including the calculation of cash deposits to schools. Submission of inaccurate data can lead to schools not receiving their correct cash allocation during the financial year, with adjustments required in the following year.
- 5.4 **Table 3** details, by sector, the overall expected balances as reported in October 2016 compared to the provisional balances as at 31 March 2017. There are significant variations in each sector and therefore all schools need to ensure their budget plans are as accurate as possible. Inaccurate budget plans lead additional work for both schools and the Council. Significant resource is put into developing deficit recovery plans with schools so we need to ensure this resource is focused on those schools which genuinely need additional support. Poor budget planning can lead to schools having to make difficult decisions unnecessarily, which could be detrimental to standards of teaching and learning in the borough's schools.

Table 3

Sec tor	Number of Schools	Expected balance at 31 March 17 (Reported October 16) £m	Actual Provisional Balance 31 March 17 £m	Variation £m
Primary	61	4.067	6.473	2.406
Secondary	8	(3.366)	(2.250)	1.115
Special	5	(0.513)	0.196	0.710
Total	74	0.188	4.419	4.231

- 5.5 Any school which is projecting a deficit budget position, either during or by the end of the existing three year budgeting period, is required to submit a deficit budget recovery plan to ensure a balanced budget is delivered. The associated recovery plan will require approval by the Governing Body and the Section 151 officer of the Council in accordance with sections 4.4 to 4.9 of the Tameside Scheme of Financing for Schools. Deficit recovery plans were due to be submitted to the Council on 16 June 2017. At the time of writing this report there are a number of budget plans and deficit recovery plans still outstanding. The School's Finance Support Team is contacting any school which has not yet submitted their budget plan (and Deficit Recovery Plan where necessary), as plans need to be submitted and considered for approval as a matter of urgency.
- 5.6 As per the Tameside Scheme of Financing for Schools, the Financial Management team will also be introducing compulsory quarterly budget monitoring during this financial year. This will allow up to date projections of school balances to be included within the corporate monitoring report. The Schools Finance Support Team will work with schools to improve budget monitoring within schools to ensure projections are as accurate as possible.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 As set out on the front of the report.

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Appendix A - Provisional School Balances as at 31 March 2017

School Number	School Name	Balance as at 31 March 2016 (£)	In-year Movement in Balance	Balance as at 31 March 2017 (£)	Balance Confirmed/Provisional
1103	Tameside Pupil Referral Service	0	(88,333)	(88,333)	Confirmed
2001	Greenfield Primary School	3,000	2,230	5,230	Confirmed
2004	Hollingworth Primary School	81,660	(436)	81,224	Provisional
2006	Pinfold Primary School	189,372	95,560	284,931	Provisional
2011	Arundale Primary School	98,375	36,896	135,270	Confirmed
2018	Gorse Hall Primary School	176,603	(25,599)	151,004	Confirmed
2019	Stalyhill Junior School	111,364	9,703	121,066	Confirmed
2020	Arlies Primary School	225,146	(20,702)	204,445	Confirmed
2021	Buckton Vale Primary School	(17,079)	29,574	12,495	Confirmed
2024	Lyndhurst Primary School	103,748	(1,045)	102,704	Confirmed
2025	Broadbent Fold Primary School	82,307	(41,398)	40,909	Confirmed
2026	Wildbank Primary School	128,146	33,293	161,439	Confirmed
2027	Millbrook Primary School	58,611	26,071	84,682	Confirmed
2037	The Heys Primary School	156,651	(4,524)	152,127	Provisional
2039	Audenshaw Primary School	113,423	(22,030)	91,393	Confirmed
2040	Poplar Street Primary School	37,115	25,463	62,578	Confirmed
2042	Russell Scott Primary School	291,557	(170,457)	121,100	Provisional
2045	Fairfield Road Primary School	493,606	78,357	571,964	Provisional
2051	Livingstone Primary School	162,147	(11,356)	150,792	Confirmed
2053	Waterloo Primary School	246,313	(49,292)	197,021	Provisional
2055	Aldwyn Primary School	99,656	(16,288)	83,367	Provisional
2056	St. Anne's Primary School	168,781	(30,946)	137,834	Confirmed
2058	Corrie Primary School	135,805	(58,006)	77,799	Provisional
2063	Holden Clough Community Primary School	57,381	10,684	68,065	Confirmed
2064	Dane Bank Primary School	141,375	(34,520)	106,855	Provisional
2066	Greenside Primary School	60,266	(58,928)	1,338	Confirmed
2068	Greswell Primary School	36,409	(23,176)	13,233	Provisional
2073	Stalyhill Infant School	175,892	(82,812)	93,080	Provisional
2077	Yew Tree Community Primary School	275	20,167	20,442	Confirmed
2078	Broadoak Primary School	162,708	(1,382)	161,326	Provisional
2079	Leigh Primary School	151,570	2,681	154,250	Confirmed
2080	Rosehill Methodist School	200,781	22,259	223,040	Provisional
2081	Ravensfield Primary School	100,708	(18,014)	82,694	Confirmed
3000	Gee Cross Holy Trinity C of E Primary School	77,618	(55,836)	21,782	Confirmed
3001	Broadbottom Primary C of E School	36,339	31,436	67,775	Confirmed
3003	St. John's C of E Primary School	155,155	40,186	195,341	Confirmed
3019	Hurst Knoll St James' C of E Primary School	107,544	14,832	122,376	Provisional
3020	Parochial C of E Primary School	254,896	(107,820)	147,076	Confirmed
3022	St. James C of E Primary School	94,320	(20,450)	73,870	Confirmed
3026	Milton St. John's C of E Primary School	102,787	(33,693)	69,094	Provisional
3027	Micklehurst All Saints C of E Primary School	140,926	(19,173)	121,753	Provisional
3301	St. George's C of E Primary School	51,448	(16,703)	34,745	Confirmed
3303	Mottram C of E Primary School	15,070	19,464	34,534	Confirmed
3304	St. Paul's Catholic Primary School	104,115	(25,801)	78,314	Confirmed
3305	St. James' Catholic Primary School	209,066	(45,309)	163,757	Provisional
3308	St. Mary's Catholic Primary School	60,804	(38,471)	22,333	Provisional
3309	St. Peter's Catholic Primary School	122,134	(15,115)	107,019	Provisional
3310	St. Raphael's Catholic Primary School	12,940	(21,529)	(8,589)	Provisional
3311	Canon Johnson C of E Primary School	66,139	(25,420)	40,720	Confirmed
3312	Holy Trinity C of E Primary School	164,789	(34,941)	129,848	Confirmed
3313	St. Peter's C of E Primary School	76,093	43,064	119,157	Confirmed
3314	St. Stephen's C of E Primary School	60,744	(19,600)	41,144	Confirmed
3316	St. Mary's C of E Primary School	49,107	47,315	96,422	Confirmed
3317	St. George's C of E Primary School	56,598	(26,478)	30,120	Provisional
3319	Canon Burrows C of E Primary School	244,146	(20,734)	223,413	Provisional
3322	St. Mary's Catholic Primary School	89,652	(11,095)	78,558	Provisional
3323	St. Stephen's Catholic Primary School	57,439	53,671	111,110	Confirmed
3324	St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School	119,579	(13,985)	105,594	Provisional
3325	St. John Fisher RC Primary School and ASC Resource Bas	129,008	6,880	135,887	Confirmed
3326	St. Christopher's Catholic Primary School	30,295	(1,220)	29,075	Provisional
3327	St. Anne's Catholic Primary School	84,209	(52,550)	31,660	Provisional
3331	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Primary School	68,344	25,431	93,776	Provisional
4006	Alder Community High	(11,060)	(337,853)	(348,913)	Confirmed
4018	Mossley Hollins High School	(62,435)	(107,765)	(170,200)	Provisional
4023	Longdendale Language College	(161,970)	(143,505)	(305,475)	Provisional
4025	Hyde Technology School	6,475	(280,893)	(274,418)	Provisional
4026	Astley Sports College and Community High School	(6,471)	(13,195)	(19,666)	Confirmed
4028	Denton Community College	(1,047,498)	(515,299)	(1,562,797)	Confirmed
4602	St Damians RC Science College	428,558	(104,249)	324,310	Provisional
4603	St. Thomas More Catholic College	223,439	(116,414)	107,024	Confirmed
7002	Thomas Ashton School	174,283	(136,388)	37,896	Confirmed
7005	Cromwell School	93,200	56,808	150,008	Provisional
7006	Samuel Laycock School	17,412	19,384	36,795	Provisional
7009	Oakdale School	74,751	(14,902)	59,849	Provisional
		6,803,659	(2,384,218)	4,419,441	

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Report To:	SCHOOLS FORUM
Date:	11 July 2017
Reporting Officer:	Bob Berry – Assistant Executive Director - Learning. Ian Duncan – Assistant Executive Director - Finance.
Subject:	COUNCIL MANAGED DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT MONITORING UPDATE 2016/17
Report Summary:	A report on the centrally managed Dedicated Schools Grant for 2016/17.
Recommendations:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Members of the Schools Forum are requested to note the contents of the report.2. Primary School members are required to vote on the proposal to allocate the unspent Contingency budget for 2016/17 totalling £124,852 pro rata the original contribution made by each School.3. Primary & Secondary School members are required to vote on the proposal to allocate the unspent 2016/17 funding totalling £12,873 pro rata the original contribution made by each School for the Trade Union Support service.4. Members of the Schools Forum are requested to vote on the proposal to use the unspent 2016/17 funding from centrally retained Services of £4,860 to support the equivalent budget in 2017/18.
Links to Community Strategy:	Effectively calculated and targeted resources will improve access to a high quality education experience for all our children.
Policy Implications:	In line with financial and policy framework.
Financial Implications: (Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)	The Dedicated Schools Grant is a ring fenced grant solely for the purposes of schools and pupil related expenditure.
Legal Implications: (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)	There is a statutory duty to use resources efficiently and effectively against priorities.
Risk Management:	The correct accounting treatment of the Dedicated Schools Grant is a condition of the grant and procedures exist in budget monitoring and the closure of accounts to ensure that this is achieved. These will be subject to regular review.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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Background Papers

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Stephen Wilde – Finance Business Partner, Financial Management, Governance, Resources and Pensions by :



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1. BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The decision made by the Primary and Secondary sectors on de-delegation of services is set out below. For de-delegated Services the Council is able to recover the funding from Maintained Schools automatically, whereas invoices have to be issued to recover the equivalent funding from Academies. For Buy Back Services the Council internally recharges Maintained Schools, but invoices have to be issued to recover the equivalent funding from Academies.

De-delegated Services Maintained Primary Sector 2015/16

- Behaviour for Learning and Inclusion Service (BLIS)
- Equality, Multiculturalism and Access Team (EMAT)
- Trade Union Support
- Primary Schools Contingency

De-delegated Services Maintained Secondary Sector 2015/16

- None

De-delegated Services Maintained Primary Sector 2016/17

- Trade Union Support
- Primary Schools Contingency

De-delegated Services Maintained Secondary Sector 2016/17

- Trade Union Support

- 1.2 The Council also manages DSG funding to support the following

- Schools Admissions service
- Schools Forum support costs
- BSF Affordability contributions – until the affordability review is completed
- High Needs services other than Special Schools and Primary MLD Units
- Early Years funding being delegated to Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers

- 1.3 This report provides details of the financial monitoring position for the 2016/17 financial year for these services at the end of March 2017 in Section 2 and **Appendix A**.

2. COUNCIL MANAGED DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT BUDGET MONITORING 2016/17 AT THE END OF MARCH 2017

- 2.1 **Appendix A** provides the financial monitoring position for 2016/17 at the end of March 2017 for the Council services described in Section 1, the Centrally Managed High Needs services and the Early Years funding that is delegated to Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers. **Appendix B** provides a brief description of the services supported by these budgets.

- 2.2 The services are split into 5 sections on **Appendix A**, the first group being De-delegated Services. The Contingency and Trade Union Support Services have a collective unspent budget total of £137,725 at year end. Schools Forum must determine how the unspent budget against each of these de-delegated budget areas is used in the next financial year. **Appendix A** contains recommendations to allocate the unspent funding pro rata the

original contribution made by each School for the Contingency and Trade Union Support services. The Schools Forum vote on the Contingency unspent budget will need to be taken only by the Primary sector as they de-delegated these service costs. **Appendix A** also shows a shortfall in income in relation to the Behaviour for Learning and Inclusion Service (BLIS) and the Equality, Multiculturalism and Access Team. These services are in the process of being reviewed and the shortfall in income will be addressed in 2017/18.

- 2.3 The second group of services, shown as Previously Centrally Retained on **Appendix A**, has £77,848 of unspent budget at the year end which relates to the School Improvement Fund (formerly Schools Causing Concern). This funding will be carried forward to 2017/18 as colleagues in the School Performance & Standards Unit have identified commitments for this funding.
- 2.4 The third section of **Appendix A** called Centrally Retained Services has unspent funding of £4,860 which relates to the Schools Forum budget. It is recommended that this funding is used to support the equivalent budget in 2017/18.
- 2.5 The fourth section of **Appendix A** provides a summary of the Centrally Retained High Needs Services. This is the group of services with the greater level of variation in costs which has resulted in a net reduction of costs of £267,839 (excluding the Pupil Referral Service outturn position). The unspent funding will be carried forward to 2017/18 whilst a final review of the 2016/17 academic year costs for Post 16 Provision is completed. As explained in **Appendix A**, the Pupil Referral Service is required to produce a deficit recovery plan for the reported deficit of £88,332.
- 2.6 The final section of **Appendix A** relates to Early Years funding for Private, Voluntary and Independent Nurseries. The budget for 2 year old places reflects the DFE funding provided to the Council, but the Council expects to spend £91,899 more than this budget based on local projections of cost. This shortfall in current DSG will be retrospectively funded by the DFE once the actual take up of places is confirmed. The projected reduction in costs of £228,572 compared to the latest DFE allocation of funding for 3 and 4 year old places is also expected to be retrospectively adjusted by the DFE once the actual take up of places is confirmed.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 As stated on the report cover.

Description	Annual Budgeted Expenditure £	Actual Outturn Expenditure £	Outturn Variation (+ is an Under Recovery of Income, - is a Reduction in Costs £)	Notes
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Previously Centrally Retained Services Funded by a Combination of De-delegated Income and Traded Income from Schools

Behaviour For Learning and Inclusion Service	468,632	535,563	66,931	The original budget of £660,980 reflected the estimated costs of the service. The Council is contributing £125,000 towards these costs, Maintained Primary Schools have contributed £294,860 and Academy Primary Schools have contributed £48,772 through buy in to the service resulting in a revised budget available of £468,632. The service has reduced staffing and resources costs in year to assist in addressing the shortfall in income. The future delivery of this service is in the process of being reviewed.
Contingency	127,769	2,917	-124,852	The budget reflects the amount that Primary Schools agreed to de-delegate for 2016/17. The only costs incurred relate to School building surveys. It is recommended that the unspent budget is refunded to Schools pro-rata based on their contribution towards the service costs.
Trade Unions - Facilities Agreement	173,918	161,045	-12,873	The budget reflects the actual income received in 2016/17, with £137,132 recovered from both the Primary and Secondary Maintained Schools agreeing to de-delegate funding. A further £36,786 in has also been recovered from Academies who access the service. It is recommended that the unspent budget is refunded to Schools pro-rata based on their contribution towards the service costs.
Equality, Multiculturalism and Access Team	30,242	47,546	17,304	The budget reflects the income available to the service. The service have utilised other resources to assist in the delivery of the service for 2016/17. The future delivery of this service is in the process of being reviewed.
Total	800,561	747,071	-53,490	

Previously Centrally Retained Services Funded by Buy Back from Schools

Primary School Improvement Fund (formerly Schools Causing Concern)	190,623	112,775	-77,848	£98,049 has been carried forward from 2015/16 and Maintained Primary and Special schools have contributed £92,574 through buy in to the service. Allocations from this fund totalling £57,239 were made to Tameside Schools for their Associate work with colleagues at other Schools. A further £55,536 was spent on external professional support for Tameside Schools. The unspent funding of £77,848 will be carried forward to 2017/18 as colleagues in the School Performance & Standards Unit have identified commitments for this funding.
DFE Licences	152,552	152,552	0	This item is shown on Central DSG report because it relates to the DFE/EFA deduction to the DSG in Tameside in relation to the licences they fund centrally for all Schools.
Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB)	88,246	88,246	0	The budget for this service is the targeted contribution from Schools and assumes that all schools will collectively contribute the full £90,000. Schools Forum agreed to recalculate the method of contribution in 2015/16 to be based on pupil numbers. Only one School has objected to paying their contribution in 2016/17.
Total	431,421	353,573	-77,848	

Centrally Retained Services for Schools

School Organisation, Admission and Appeals Service	255,235	255,235	0	The budget is a combination of the annual £158,000 central DSG contribution and income from Academies of £97,235.
Forum	5,000	140	-4,860	The unspent equivalent budget from 2015/16 has been used to support any costs in relation to Forum in 2016/17. It is recommended that the unspent funding from 2016/17 is used to support the Forum in 2017/18.
BSF Affordability	1,919,000	1,919,000	0	This element of DSG is used to support the cost of the long term PFI contracts relating to Tameside Schools. The affordability projections in relation to the PFI contracts have been updated recently and a detailed review of the contracts is expected to be completed during this financial year.
Total	2,179,235	2,174,375	-4,860	

Centrally Retained High Needs Services for Schools

Specific Learning Difficulties	70,000	66,434	-3,566	There was a reduction in costs of £3,566 on staffing and resources. The unspent funding will be used to support the increased costs of additional SEN funding allocations to Mainstream Schools.
SEN Assessment, Review and Monitoring	58,240	58,240	0	This is a contribution towards the cost of the SEN Assessment, Review and Monitoring team.
SEN Support for Allocation to Mainstream Schools	400,000	510,763	110,763	The costs in this area relate to allocating additional funding for children with SEN to Mainstream Schools based on provision map data supplied to the SEN Assessment, Review and Monitoring team. Further allocations will be made throughout the year. The allocations to Schools were £110,763 greater than the available budget. This increase will be funded from a combination of the unspent budgets reported within the Centrally Retained High Needs section.
Communication, Language and Autistic Spectrum Support (CLAS)	748,600	701,926	-46,674	The cost of the service reduced for 2016/17 due to a reduction in estimated staffing costs. The unspent funding will be used to support the increased costs of additional SEN funding allocations to Mainstream Schools.
Sensory Support Service	914,180	913,508	-672	The budget includes the income due to be received from Linden Road Academy of £112,186. The unspent funding will be used to support the increased costs of additional SEN funding allocations to Mainstream Schools.
Pupil Referral Service	2,667,068	2,755,400	88,332	The budget is based on £2.25m of DSG funding plus other grants including Pupil Premium that total an additional £109,978. The income from other Schools in relation to permanently excluded pupils is £307,090. The costs are based on the actual expenditure for the financial year April 2016 to March 2017. This results in a deficit of £88,332 and the Pupil Referral Service will need to produce a deficit recovery plan to address this deficit.

Description	Annual Budgeted Expenditure £	Actual Outturn Expenditure £	Outturn Variation (+ is an Under Recovery of Income, - is a Reduction in Costs £)	Notes
Pre 16 Independent and Other Local Authority Special School Placements	1,242,000	1,231,490	-10,510	The total placement costs were £10,510 lower than budget and this will be used to support the increased costs of additional SEN funding allocations to Mainstream Schools.
Post 16 Independent and Other Local Authority Special School Placements	2,500,000	2,123,197	-376,803	The costs of Post 16 Provision are significantly lower than anticipated. The unspent budget will be used to support the increased of Hospital School Provision. The remainder will be carried forward to 2017/18 whilst a final review of the 2016/17 academic year costs is completed.
Hospital School	50,000	159,075	109,075	There are a number of children attending the provision which has resulted in increased costs of £109,075. This increase will be funded from the Post 16 Independent and Other Local Authority Special School Placements unspent budget.
Nursery Aged SEN Support for Allocation to Schools & Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers	50,000	548	-49,452	The costs in relation to Nursery aged children with High Needs have been very low this year. This will be used to support the increased costs of additional SEN funding allocations to Mainstream Schools.
Total	8,700,088	8,520,581	-179,507	

Early Years Allocations to Private, Voluntary and Independent Sector (PVI) Providers

3 and 4 year Old Free Entitlement	3,887,184	3,658,612	-228,572	The budget reflects the DFE funding provided to the Council, whereas the actual outturn reflects the Councils actual costs. We expect the DFE/EFA will retrospectively correct this element of the grant to reflect the numbers of children actually accessing the 3 and 4 year old free entitlement in 2016/17.
New 2 Year Old Free Entitlement	2,830,905	2,922,804	91,899	The budget reflects the DFE funding provided to the Council, whereas the actual outturn reflects the Councils actual costs. We expect the DFE/EFA will retrospectively correct this element of the grant to reflect the numbers of children actually accessing the 2 year old free entitlement in 2016/17.
Total	6,718,089	6,581,416	-136,673	

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De-delegated Services	
Behaviour For Learning and Inclusion Service	Provision of Behaviour for Learning and Inclusion Service which is available to all mainstream schools, early year's settings and non-maintained nurseries to provide advice, consultation and additional support to children and young people whose additional need is identified as a social, emotional and/or behavioural. The service provides specialist support of pupils with a statement of EBSD (statutory requirement), individual interventions at the 3 stages of the SEN code of Practice, sixth day cover which is statutory provision for primary aged children given a fixed term exclusion in excess of 5 days etc.
Equality, Multiculturalism and Access Team	The service is available to all schools and early-years settings. EMAT informs schools on inclusive practice with particular emphasis on curriculum access, language for learning, English as an Additional Language and Equalities. The team supports schools with issues relating to Black and Minority Ethnic achievement and language for learning, for all stages of English proficiency, from beginners to fluent learners.
Trade Unions - Facilities Agreement	Provision of trade union support to schools which includes the negotiation of policies and procedures on behalf of school members which enable governing bodies to adopt these policies and procedures without individual consultation with their employees. The service also manages case loads in conjunction with schools and provides input into staff reorganisation procedures. The service also provides local advice and support to Head Teachers via their individual associations.
Contingency	This funding is used to fund unexpected issues which occur after the Schools Budget Share has been set. (For example Business Rates increases or temporary accommodation requirements that are not funded from the Growth factor)
Buy Back Services	
School Improvement Fund (formerly Schools Causing Concern)	Provision of support to schools either placed or potential to be placed in a category by Ofsted. The proposed budget will be managed and monitored by Head Teachers involved in the self improving schools model.
Local Safeguarding Children's Board Contribution	The purpose of the Tameside Safeguarding Children Board (TSCB) is to Coordinate what is done by each person or body represented on the Board for the purposes of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and to ensure the effectiveness of what is done by each such person or body for those purposes
Non DFE Licences	This relates to the licences for the Consortium of Local Education Authorities For the Provision of Science Equipment (CLEAPs)
Other Council Managed DSG	
School Organisation, Admission and Appeals Service	Provision of coordinated school admission and appeals service to schools within the borough

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Schools Forum	Provision of support to the schools forum - room hire, refreshments
PFI and FM Contract Affordability Contribution	Contribution to the affordability of the existing PFI and FM contracts in the borough.
Specific Learning Difficulties Support	The Specific Learning Difficulties Advisory Teachers Team provides a service to all schools and early years settings, dealing with issues related to Dyslexia, Dyspraxia and Dyscalculia. The team's work is focussed upon developing inclusive practice to meet the needs of these learners across the age phases as recommended in the Rose Review (DCSF 2009). This support includes specialist teaching of children with specific learning difficulties (statutory requirement) ; assessment, consultation , advice and staff training.
SEN Support for Allocation to Mainstream Schools	Provision of support to mainstream schools who have children with additional needs assessed as being greater than the £6,000 of Notional SEN.
Communication, Language and Autistic Spectrum Support	Provision of Communication, Language and Autism Spectrum Support (CLASS) Service which is available to all mainstream schools, early years settings and non-maintained nurseries to provide advice, consultation and additional support to children and young people whose additional need is identified as a Social Communication difficulty (including ASC) or a Specific Language Impairment.
Sensory Support Service	Provision of support to children with visual and hearing impairment. The support is provided to children and families at home, in early years placements, in schools and other educational settings and if required in post 16 placements.
Pupil Referral Service	The Pupil Referral Service meets the Local Authority statutory duty to provide suitable education for children who are unable to attend school because of illness, injury or exclusion. The service currently makes this provision on three main sites
Pre and Post 16 Independent and Other Local Authority School and College Placements	SEN provision (in mainstream schools) / places (in special schools) for pupils with statements of SEN, as required by legislation, where a pupil attends a school maintained by another local authority. Placements in these schools are usually as a result of parental preference. In addition this budget funds the placement of pupils with statements of SEN attending independent / non-maintained special schools. Placements in these schools, which can be residential / non residential, 38 / 52 weeks a year, are in the main because the Council does not maintain the specialist provision to meet the significant / complex needs of this small group of children, although the SEN & Disability Tribunal has directed the Council to make these placements in a small number of cases
Hospital School	The majority of Hospital School placement costs for Tameside and neighbouring authorities are in private provision at the Priory in Bury.
Nursery Aged SEN Support for Allocation to Schools & Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers	This funding is used to support the cost of Nursery aged children who do not attend the Oakdale/Acorn Special School Nursery.
3 and 4 year Old Free Entitlement for Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers	This budget is used to allocate funding to Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers in relation to the Free Entitlement Funding for 3 and 4 year olds on the same basis as it is allocated to Primary Schools with Nurseries.

Council Managed Service	Description	
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New 2 Year Old Free Entitlement Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers	This budget is used to allocate funding to Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers in relation to the Free Entitlement Funding for disadvantaged 2 year olds.	

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Agenda Item 5

Report To:	SCHOOLS FORUM
Date:	11 July 2017
Reporting Officer:	Bob Berry – Assistant Executive Director - Learning. Ian Duncan – Assistant Executive Director - Finance.
Subject:	COUNCIL MANAGED DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT MONITORING UPDATE 2017/18
Report Summary:	A report on the centrally managed Dedicated Schools Grant for 2017/18.
Recommendations:	Members of the Schools Forum are requested to note the contents of the report.
Links to Community Strategy:	Effectively calculated and targeted resources will improve access to a high quality education experience for all our children.
Policy Implications:	In line with financial and policy framework.
Financial Implications: (Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)	The Dedicated Schools Grant is a ring fenced grant solely for the purposes of schools and pupil related expenditure.
Legal Implications: (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)	There is a statutory duty to use resources efficiently and effectively against priorities.
Risk Management:	The correct accounting treatment of the Dedicated Schools Grant is a condition of the grant and procedures exist in budget monitoring and the closure of accounts to ensure that this is achieved. These will be subject to regular review.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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This report does not contain information which warrants its consideration in the absence of the Press or members of the public.

Background Papers

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1. BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 For 2016/17 the Secondary sector chose to only de-delegate funding for the Trade Union Support service, whereas the Primary Sector voted to continue de-delegation for both the Trade Union Support and Contingency services. The same scenario was adopted by the Secondary and Primary sector for 2017/18. For De-delegated Services the Council is able to recover the funding from Maintained Schools automatically, but invoices have to be issued to recover the equivalent funding from Academies. For Buy Back services the Council internally recharges Maintained Schools, but invoices have to be issued to recover the equivalent funding from Academies.
- 1.2 The Council also manages DSG funding to support the following
- Schools Admissions service
 - Schools Forum support
 - Retained Duties
 - High Needs services other than Special Schools and Primary MLD Units
 - Early Years
- 1.3 This report provides details of the financial monitoring position for the 2017/18 financial year for these services at the end of June 2017 in Section 2 and **Appendix A**.

2. COUNCIL MANAGED DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT BUDGET MONITORING 2017/18 AT THE END OF JUNE 2017

- 2.1 **Appendix A** provides the financial monitoring position for 2017/18 at the end of June 2017 for the Council services described in Section 1, the Centrally Managed High Needs services and Early Years funding. **Appendix B** provides a brief description of the services supported by these budgets.
- 2.2 The services are split into 5 sections on **Appendix A** and the first group relates to De-delegated Services. These services are projected to spend at budgeted level.
- 2.3 The second section of Appendix A provides details on Previously Centrally Retained services. There are no current projected variations for these services.
- 2.4 The services on the third section of **Appendix A** called Centrally Retained Services are all projected to spend at the budgeted level.
- 2.5 The fourth section of **Appendix A** provides a summary of the Centrally Retained High Needs Services. All the services in this group are projected to spend at the budgeted level. The SEN team is in the process of updating the bandings for children starting at school from September 2017.
- 2.6 The final section of **Appendix A** relates to Early Years funding. From September 2017 the free entitlement funding for 3 and 4 year olds will be processed by the Free Entitlement Funding Team within the Education Service of the Council. All Early Years Funding is being reported in this section. The budget for 2 year old places is based on the initial DFE allocation of funding for this area, but the Council expects to spend £72,298 more than this budget based on local projections of cost. This shortfall in current DSG is expected to be retrospectively funded by the DFE once the actual take up of places is confirmed. The budget for 3 & 4 year old places is based on the initial DFE allocation of funding for this area, but the Council expects to spend £529,165 less than this budget based on local projections of cost. This surplus is expected to be retrospectively recovered by the DFE once the actual take up of places is confirmed. It should be noted that the Council is currently in the process of updating the estimated costs for 2 year olds and 3 & 4 year olds.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

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Description	Annual Budgeted Expenditure	Actual Expenditure at June 2017	Projected Outturn Expenditure	Projected Outturn Variation (+ is an Under Recovery of Income, - is a Reduction in Costs)	Notes
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Previously Centrally Retained Services Funded by a Combinaton of De-delegated Income and Traded Income from Schools

Contingency	94,100	0	94,100	0	The current budget is the amount that Primary Schools agreed to de-delegate for 2017/18. There has been no expenditure against this budget to date.
Trade Unions - Facilities Agreement	217,250	47,420	217,250	0	The current budget reflects the expected income to be received, which includes the amount of £166,800 that both Primary and Secondary Schools agreed to de-delegate for 2017/18. A further £50,450 is expected to be recovered from Academies who access the service.
Total	311,350	47,420	311,350	0	

Previously Centrally Retained Services Funded by Buy Back from Schools

DFE Licences	156,750	0	156,750	0	This item is shown on Central DSG reports because it relates to the DFE/EFA deduction to the DSG in Tameside in relation to the licences they fund centrally for all Schools.
Local Safeguarding Children Board	90,000	22,500	90,000	0	It is assumed that all schools (including academies) will collectively contribute the budget of £90,000.
Total	246,750	22,500	246,750	0	

Centrally Retained Services for Schools

School Admissions	158,000	39,500	158,000	0	The budget is the annual £158,000 central DSG contribution.
Forum	4,860	0	4,860	0	It is recommended that the unspent budget from 2016/17 is used to support any costs in relation to Forum in 2017/18.
Retained Duties	544,680	136,170	544,680	0	This funding replaces the Retained Duties element of the Education Services Grant (ESG) which was approved at the Schools Forum meeting in February 2017.
Total	707,540	175,670	707,540	0	

Centrally Retained High Needs Services for Schools

Specific Learning Difficulties	79,800	16,400	79,800	0	
SEN Assessment, Review and Monitoring	58,240	14,560	58,240	0	This is a contribution towards the cost of the SEN Assessment, Review and Monitoring team.
SEN Support for Allocation to Mainstream Schools	450,000	194,500	450,000	0	The costs in this area relate to allocating additional funding for children with SEN to Mainstream Schools based on provision map data supplied to the SEN Assessment, Review and Monitoring team. Further allocations will be made throughout the year. The SEN team are in the process of updating the bandings for children starting at school from September 2017.

Description	Annual Budgeted Expenditure	Actual Expenditure at June 2017	Projected Outturn Expenditure	Projected Outturn Variation (+ is an Under Recovery of Income, - is a Reduction in Costs)	Notes
Communication, Language and Autistic Spectrum Support	748,600	174,040	748,600	0	
Sensory Support Service	931,510	193,470	931,510	0	The budget includes the income due to be received from Linden Road Academy of £104,720.
Pre 16 Independent and Other Local Authority Special School Placements	1,342,000	265,908	1,342,000	0	
Post 16 Independent and Other Local Authority Special School Placements	2,500,000	300,480	2,500,000	0	Discussions are still taking place with Post 16 providers concerning placements and their associated costs for the academic year 2017/18.
Hospital School	75,000	24,850	75,000	0	
Total	6,185,150	1,184,208	6,185,150	0	

Early Years Funding

3 and 4 year Old Standard Free Entitlement	9,117,197	3,365,057	8,588,032	-529,165	The budget reflects the DFE funding provided to the Council, whereas the projected outturn reflects the Council estimate of actual costs. The Council estimate is currently in the process of being updated. The Council expect the projected outturn variation will be retrospectively corrected by the DFE/EFA to reflect the numbers of children actually accessing the 3 and 4 year old free entitlement in 2017/18.
3 and 4 year Old Extended Free Entitlement	1,510,960	0	1,510,960	0	This entitlement is not available until September 2017. The budget reflects the DFE estimate of funding and at present the Council are working on the same estimates as DFE.
2 Year Old Free Entitlement	2,972,533	920,943	3,044,831	72,298	The budget reflects the DFE funding provided to the Council, whereas the projected outturn reflects the Council estimate of actual costs. The Council estimate is currently in the process of being updated. The Council expect the projected outturn variation will be retrospectively corrected by the DFE/EFA to reflect the numbers of children actually accessing the 2 year old free entitlement in 2017/18.
Disability Access Fund	49,200	0	49,200	0	The budget is based on a DFE estimate.
SEN Inclusion Fund	150,000	9,882	150,000	0	
Early Years Contingency Fund	238,641	0	238,641	0	
Early Years Centrally Retained Expenditure	291,191	32,720	291,191	0	
Total	14,329,722	4,328,602	13,872,855	-456,867	

Council Managed Service	Description	Appendix B
Council Managed DSG 2017/18 Monitoring Report June 2017		
De-delegated Services		
Trade Unions - Facilities Agreement	Provision of trade union support to schools which includes the negotiation of policies and procedures on behalf of school members which enable governing bodies to adopt these policies and procedures without individual consultation with their employees. The service also manages case loads in conjunction with schools and provides input into staff reorganisation procedures. The service also provides local advice and support to Head Teachers via their individual associations.	
Contingency	This funding is used to fund unexpected issues which occur after the Schools Budget Share has been set. (For example Business Rates increases or temporary accommodation requirements that are not funded from the Growth factor)	

Buy Back Services	
Local Safeguarding Children's Board Contribution	The purpose of the Tameside Safeguarding Children Board (TSCB) is to Coordinate what is done by each person or body represented on the Board for the purposes of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and to ensure the effectiveness of what is done by each such person or body for those purposes

Other Council Managed DSG	
School Admissions	Provision of coordinated school admission and appeals service to schools within the borough
Schools Forum	Provision of support to the schools forum - room hire, refreshments
Retained Duties	This funding replaces the Retained Duties element of the Education Services Grant (ESG). It is used to support the cost of central services providing Statutory and Regulatory duties to maintained schools.
Specific Learning Difficulties Support	The Specific Learning Difficulties Advisory Teachers Team provides a service to all schools and early years settings, dealing with issues related to Dyslexia, Dyspraxia and Dyscalculia. The team's work is focussed upon developing inclusive practice to meet the needs of these learners across the age phases as recommended in the Rose Review (DCSF 2009). This support includes specialist teaching of children with specific learning difficulties (statutory requirement) ; assessment, consultation , advice and staff training.
SEN Support for Allocation to Mainstream Schools	Provision of support to mainstream schools who have children with additional needs assessed as being greater than the £6,000 of Notional SEN.

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Communication, Language and Autistic Spectrum Support	Provision of Communication, Language and Autism Spectrum Support (CLASS) Service which is available to all mainstream schools, early years settings and non-maintained nurseries to provide advice, consultation and additional support to children and young people whose additional need is identified as a Social Communication difficulty (including ASC) or a Specific Language Impairment.
Sensory Support Service	Provision of support to children with visual and hearing impairment. The support is provided to children and families at home, in early years placements, in schools and other educational settings and if required in post 16 placements.
Pre and Post 16 Independent and Other Local Authority School and College Placements	SEN provision (in mainstream schools) / places (in special schools) for pupils with statements of SEN, as required by legislation, where a pupil attends a school maintained by another local authority. Placements in these schools are usually as a result of parental preference. In addition this budget funds the placement of pupils with statements of SEN attending independent / non-maintained special schools. Placements in these schools, which can be residential / non residential, 38 / 52 weeks a year, are in the main because the Council does not maintain the specialist provision to meet the significant / complex needs of this small group of children, although the SEN & Disability Tribunal has directed the Council to make these placements in a small number of cases.
Hospital School	The majority of Hospital School placement costs for Tameside and neighbouring authorities are in private provision at the Priory in Bury.
3 and 4 year Old Standard Free Entitlement	This budget is used to allocate the universal standard free entitlement funding to Schools and Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers in relation to the Free Entitlement Funding for 3 and 4 year olds.
4 and 4 year Old Extended Free Entitlement	This budget is used to allocate the extended free entitlement funding to Schools and Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers in relation to the Free Entitlement Funding for 3 and 4 year olds.
2 Year Old Free Entitlement Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers	This budget is used to allocate funding to Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers in relation to the Free Entitlement Funding for disadvantaged 2 year olds.
Disability Access Fund	This is a new element of funding aimed at supporting providers to offer places to children with disabilities or special educational needs.
SEN Inclusion Fund	This mandatory element of Early Years funding has been established to help providers to address the needs of individual children. The allocations will be made through the Early Years Panel in the same way that schools currently allocated the equivalent funding for children of Reception Class age and above.
Early Years Contingency Fund	This Contingency Fund is available to allocate funding to providers throughout the year where otherwise unfunded costs are being incurred. One example of potential use is where a provider has a child taking up a place after the Census that is used by the DFE to calculate funding.

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Early Years Centrally Retained Expenditure	<p>This budget supports a number of early years functions. It will support the cost of additional officers to accommodate the increased volume of payments that will need to be monitored and reviewed, particularly in relation to the extended entitlement. It supports the annual costs associated with the Servelec IT system which is being used to calculate and process the payments to all settings, which will include Schools from September 2017. It supports the cost additional officers within the Early Years Provider Development Team to allow to extend their support to Schools as well as Private, Voluntary & Independent Providers. It supports the costs of an Early Years SEN Caseworker in order to provide a greater focus on the SEN of Early Years Children. It also supports the additional capacity required within the Families Information Service who provide advice, guidance and information to families wishing to access Children's Services, due to the increased demands from families created by the extension of the provision for both 2 year olds and 3 and 4 year olds.</p>

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