



Comparison of School Allocations 2011/12 with 2010/11

1. General Introduction

The attached paper compares last year's allocations with this year's. However as the DSG now incorporates a range of former grant income a true comparison is not possible. But where it is useful comparisons have been undertaken and the percentage change has been shown.

2. Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) for 2011/12

The DfE has set MFG at a level that covers average cost pressures but with efficiencies taken into account. MFG for all schools is set at minus 1.5% to ensure that no school has a cut in its allocation of more than 1.5% per pupil before pupil premium is added.

3. The 2011/12 Funds Allocation Statement

The individual "Funds Allocation" for Schools has been derived using the Funding Formula, which is fully described, in Section 2 of the Scheme for Financing Schools.

The data, formula factors and unit values that are used within each sub formula were provided to each school in their 11th March emailed notification.

4. Inflaters applied to each formula

In overall terms, the funding resource from DfE has remained the same as 2010/11, therefore there has not been any inflation applied to any formula. £50k has been added to primary and special school meals and formulae allocations have changed to reflect need such as the premises formula where overall, floor area has increased due to new school buildings.

5. Key Points to Note about the Formulae

5.1 Newly Qualified Teachers

The funding for this in 10/11 was £177k; this funding is now allocated via the AWPU and therefore allocated based upon pupil numbers.

5.2 Maternity/Paternity/Adoption Leave

This budget of £73k was allocated in February /March each year to those schools whose teaching staff had taken such leave. For 11/12 onwards this sum has been included in the AWPU and allocated based upon pupil numbers.

5.3 Premises and Facilities

This formula now only takes into account age/type of the buildings plus floor area of the school buildings and the site area. Temporary buildings are no longer included.

5.4 School Meals

The £50k referred to in para 5. has been added to the primary school element formula to recognise the increased cost of meals.

5.5 Delegated Statementing

Each school has received a statementing allocation, excluding enhanced provision, based upon information notified to the Finance team as at 3rd March 2011. The bandings have not been inflated.

6. AWPU Values 2011/12

The Activity Led Resourcing methodology which is fully described in Section 2 of the Scheme for Financing Schools, generates the AWPU values for each Key Stage together with a School Specific Lump Sum for each phase, based on assumptions made on resourcing levels to effectively deliver teaching and learning.

Primary					Secondary		
Fixed Element	Foundation	Reception	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2	Fixed Element	Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4
58,506	N/A	2,349	2,037	1,952	122,133	2,757	2,889

The above figures have been subject to a scaling factor to bring need in line with available resources:

The scaling factors are:- Primary – 60.4%
Secondary – 68.7%

7. Mainstreaming of Grants

A large number of grants are included in Torbay's DSG and as such fall within the scope of the School Finance (England) Regulations 2011. These regulations have been modified to enable the historic allocation methods to be included in the school funding formula. All affected grants are laid out below with more detail available in Section 2 of the Scheme for Financing Primary and Secondary Schools 2011/12.

School Standards Grant - £2.9m currently allocated on two formulae. This has led to some schools having much higher per pupil amounts than other schools. Therefore the allocation will use the old formula A which is a lump sum per school then a fixed per pupil amount for primary and secondary. This will mean that most schools will see little change.

School Standards Grant (Personalisation) £0.9m is allocated on same formula as 10/11 using pupil number and FSM data from Jan 2011 census plus attainment data.

School Development Grant £3.7m includes a range of 11 previous grants. Specialist School funding, £1.3m, is the largest element of this grant and will be allocated using the same funding methodology the same as 10/11. One of the other 10 grants was funding for AST (£300k). An element of this funding is retained centrally to allocate out to specific schools for AST outreach.

The remainder of SDG is allocated using the same methodology as 10/11 with the exception of that associated with the secondary Post Leadership Incentive Grant (LIG) funding that was received by Torquay Community College and Westlands. For 2011/12 £121k of this funding is allocated across all Secondaries based upon FSM numbers. For 2012/13 the full £240k will be allocated across all Secondaries in the same way.

School Lunch Grant. £193k is distributed to schools on FSM numbers with £7k retained centrally for encouraging uptake initiatives such as the recent £1 a meal deal at Kings Ash primary.

Ethnic Minority Achievement Grant £51k is distributed by the number of ethnic minority pupils from the January census.

1:2:1 Tuition £632k the same allocation methodology used in 10/11 based on school size and number of pupils achieving at below age expected level in 2010/11. £20k is retained centrally.

Extended Services - Sustainability. £467k . £250k to be used to provide centrally accessed services such as family support, parenting support workers and targeted youth support workers. This is in line with School Forum agreement in November 2010. £200k to be delegated to schools via pupil numbers.

Extended Services - Subsidy £510k. In 2010/11 this was partly spent commissioning targeted activities and part delegated on FSM numbers. For 2011/12 all this funding is allocated on the number of pupils registered as eligible for free school meals.

Primary Strategy £613k . This encompasses a whole range of grant funding streams such as Primary FL , Targeted schools, AfL, CLLD, SEAL, EY Foundation and Leading teachers also the Every Child schemes. This funding has been allocated centrally on a range of activities across the whole primary phase.

For 2011/12 £300k will be spent centrally on agreed programmes across Torbay primary phase. £313k is delegated to schools to enable participation in school priority activities and cross phase activities with other schools.

Secondary Strategy £193k of which £143k is delegated to schools via an in- house formula and £50k is retained for targeted support programmes across schools.

8. Post 16 YPLA Funding

The allocation for sixth forms is based solely upon information from the YPLA. We have not received the allocations from them and as a result there is a zero entry in this field.

9. Comparisons

Pupil numbers	% Change
Reception to pre 16	-3%
Total Pupil Numbers	+0.1%

AWPU and School Specific -0.2%

Premises 3%

Nursery 15%

School Meals 4%

Threshold -7%

Inclusion 0%

Total Funding 4%

But not a true comparison!

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