

Agenda Item 4 Schools Forum 7th March 2013

Schools Allocations 2013/14 and comparison with 2012/13

The 2013/14 funding allocations were issued to schools including academies on 13th February. It is very difficult to carry out and provide a meaningful comparison with 2012/13 due to the significant changes that have taken place.

The attached spreadsheet goes some way towards providing a high level comparison as anything too detailed would be misleading. As previously explained both at the formula review groups (FAR6) and previous Schools Forum meetings the majority of differences can be explained by comparing all or some of the following data sources for the 2 years in question:-

For all Schools

- Pupil Number changes
- Eligible Free School Meal Number changes
- Significant funding received in 12/13 for delegated statementing allocations below £6,000
- Whether School's 12/13 Inclusion sub formula allocation was mainly due to transience (pupil mobility) as this is no longer used
- Schools with large grounds/building in comparison to the numbers of pupils. Premises sub formula no longer used
- Schools where there is a stable experienced teaching workforce who were in receipt of Teachers Threshold funding which was based upon actual eligible teachers and now allocated on pupil numbers
- Changes to the distribution method for former School Standards Grant and School Development Grant

For Secondary Schools only

- Whether School was in receipt or not of Specialist School Funding in 2012/13
- Whether School was in receipt or not of Gifted & Talented Funding in 2012/13
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Overall Comparative Analysis

Pupil numbers have increased by 49, of which 233 more primary pupils and 184 less secondary pupils

For 2012/13 £68m was allocated through the formula, this has increased by 1% to £69m. This includes the new delegation elements which total £1.3m before de-delegation is accounted for.

26 schools are on MFG compared to 7 schools in 2012/13.

Pupil Premium funding has increased by 50% from £2.8m to £4.2m

Individual School Comparisons

If Schools wish to talk through their own allocation and compare it to 2012/13 then please contact Children's Finance Team on 01803 208283