

NORTH YORKSHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Date of meeting:	Thursday 15 December 2022 (via Teams)
Title of report:	Minutes of the North Yorkshire Schools Forum
Type of report:	For information only
Executive summary: Including reason for submission	The minutes of the previous meeting of the North Yorkshire Schools Forum are presented for approval.
Budget / Risk implications:	N/A
Recommendations:	The minutes are approved as an accurate record.
Voting requirements:	N/A
Appendices: To be attached	N/A
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PRESENT:

Chair:	Ian Yapp
Primary Headteachers:	Jillian Baker
Secondary Headteachers:	Nick Hinchliffe
Nursery Headteacher:	
Special Headteacher:	Sarah Edwards
Pupil Referral Service:	
Academies:	Helen Williams, Josh Greaves, Helen Flynn, Jane Turner, David Barber, Michelle Hockham, Alison Kaye
Governors:	Corinne Cross, Ray Wells, Paul Gibbons
Early Years Providers:	
16-19 Providers:	

Diocesan Representatives:	
Trade Unions:	Anne Swift, Sarah Carter
Observers:	
In Attendance:	Howard Emmett, Martin Surtees, Jane le Sage, Amanda Newbold, Mandy Lambert (LSO Minute Taker), Deborah Wilbor (LSO)
Apologies:	Brian Crosby, Charlotte Hope-Harrisson, Anna Kirkham, Andrew Smith, Michael Pettaval, Sally Dunn, Cllr Annabel Wilkinson, Cllr Janet Sanderson, Helen Channing, Karen O'Donnell, Kath Jordan, Rob Campbell, Andrew Krlic

1111: WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1112: MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Circulated: A list of the current membership:

The current vacancies were outlined, Primary (1), Secondary (1), LA PRS (1), Academy (2), 16-19 Education Provider (1) – Quorum is 40% of members.

1113: MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17 November 2022 be agreed as an accurate record.

1114: MATTERS ARISING

NOTED: There were no matters arising.

1115: NOTIFICATION OF ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

Schools Forum Constitution

1116: 2023/24 SCHOOL FUNDING: DE-DELEGATION – CONTINGENCY BUDGETS

CONSIDERED: A report detailing the estimated reserves position on the de-delegated contingency budgets and the LA proposals for the de-delegation associated with these budgets in 2023-24. This report provides an overview of the use of de-delegated funding in relation to Schools in Financial Difficulty and Unreasonable School Expenditure Contingencies.

NOTED: The past and current financial years' de-delegation amount, expenditure, in-year amount, reserve brought forward, and the reserve carried forward. The current amount stands at £962k broken down into the three elements of the overall contingency. Unreasonable school expenditure reserve amounts were also noted. The proposal for both primary and secondary is the same amount per pupil. There is a risk that the figures could exceed the reserve amounts and further consideration may be required in setting de-delegation amounts in subsequent years.

NOTED: Q) Why was there an adjustment to the reserves figure?

A) There was an adjustment to the de-delegated amount (reserves figure was not available in the November meeting) and the information presented in the December meeting corrected an error in the November papers.

Thanks were expressed to the team for looking at this and bringing the solution to the Forum.

AGREED:

LA maintained primary schools only:

(a) Schools in Financial Difficulty:

- (i) To de-delegate £7.15 per pupil in relation to Schools Causing concern funding.
- (ii) To utilise the £450k reserve funding to support the Schools in Financial Difficulty element of the de-delegation contingency for the 2023/24 financial year with no de-delegation of funds for this element of the funding for next financial year.
- (iii) To utilise the £441k reserve funding to support the School Redundancy Costs Contribution element of the de-delegation contingency for the 2023/24 financial year with no de-delegation of funds for this element of the funding for next financial year.

(b) Unreasonable School Expenditure:

- (i) The continuation of de-delegation
- (ii) To continue to retain the 2022/23 level of de-delegation of £1.39 per pupil.

LA maintained secondary schools only:

(a) Schools in Financial Difficulty:

- (i) To de-delegate £7.15 per pupil in relation to Schools Causing concern funding.
- (ii) To utilise the £450k reserve funding to support the Schools in Financial Difficulty element of the de-delegation contingency for the 2023/24 financial year with no de-delegation of funds for this element of the funding for next financial year.
- (iii) To utilise the £441k reserve funding to support the School Redundancy Costs Contribution element of the de-delegation contingency for the 2023/24 financial year with no de-delegation of funds for this element of the funding for next financial year.

(b) Unreasonable School Expenditure:

- (i) The continuation of de-delegation.
- (ii) To continue to retain the 2022/23 level of de-delegation of £1.39 per pupil.

De-delegation in relation to LA maintained special schools and PRS

To endorse the LA requesting LA special school and PRS to approve buyback charges as follows:

- SIFD contingency at £7.15 per place
- Unreasonable school contingency at £1.39 per place.

**1117: ANY OTHER BUSINESS
SCHOOLS FORUM CONSTITUTION**

The constitution of the Schools Forum says that a Chair may serve for two four-year terms. IY has served as Chair for one term as an academy member. To ensure appropriate and transparent governance arrangements, the LA will write to all voting members of the Schools Forum to ask for expressions of interest in the role of Chair. The results will be brought back to the January meeting of the Schools Forum.

1118: FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday 19 January 2023

Thursday 16 March 2023

Thursday 18 May 2023

Thursday 21 September 2023

Thursday 23 November 2023

Thursday 14 December 2023 – if required