



NORTH YORKSHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Date of meeting:	Thursday 19 March 2026
Title of report:	Schools Block 2026-27
Type of report: Delete as required	For information and decision
Executive summary: Including reason for submission	This paper sets out the final position with regard to the planned expenditure on the Schools Block Budget in 2026-27 following the finalisation of school budget allocations.
Budget / Risk implications:	N/A
Recommendations:	That the North Yorkshire Schools Forum notes and approves this report
Voting requirements:	Schools Forum Voting Members
Appendices: To be attached	None
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1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This paper sets out the final position with regard to the planned expenditure on the Schools Block Budget in 2026-27 following the finalisation of school budget allocations.

2.0 2026-27 PLANNED SCHOOLS BLOCK EXPENDITURE

2.1 At the time of the January 2026 meeting of the Schools' Forum, work was continuing to be undertaken in respect of the 2026-27 financial year on verifying the funding data and confirming the final position for the planned schools block DSG expenditure. The final 2026-27 school budget funding requirement has reduced by £13k compared with the indicative position reported to the Schools Forum in January. The reduction in the funding requirement related to the resolution of two duplicate pupil records.

2.2 The Local Authority has notified the DfE regarding the Pupil Growth and Falling Rolls Fund funding allocations made to academies for the 2025-26 financial year. Whilst there is no overall net funding impact on the 2026-27 Schools Block planned expenditure, the funding recouped by the DfE will be at a reduced level. This results in a saving to the Pupil Growth and Falling Rolls Fund in respect of the funding awarded to academies related to the period April to August 2026.

2.4 A full summary of the final Schools Block expenditure for the 2026-27 financial year is detailed below:

Schools Block (£000s)	£'000
<u>Individual School Budget (ISB)</u>	
Final ISB	481,054
Additional Recoupment of NNDR related to closed schools by DfE	23
Final ISB (School Delegated Budgets)	481,077
<u>Central Budgets</u>	
Pupil Growth & Falling Rolls Provision, including New Schools Reserve Provision.	0
2026-27 Central Budgets Funding Provision	0
Total Schools Budget Funding Requirement	481,077



Funded by:	
Schools Block Funding Available for 2026-27 School Budgets	477,315
Schools Block DSG - Growth Funding Allocation to School Budgets	2,078
Pupil Growth – New School Provision Reserve (Oakbridge additional year groups)	96
Schools Block DSG Reserve	1,500
School Organisation Change – 2026-27 Closing School Funding Provision Available to Support ISB Funding Requirement*	88
Total Schools Budget Funding Provision	481,077
<u>De-delegated</u>	
Schools in Financial Difficulty – Schools Causing Concern element	211
Trade Union Costs	125
School Improvement – Core Service	638
	974

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The North Yorkshire Schools Forum is asked to note and approve the contents of this report.

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