

SOUTHWARK CHILDREN'S SERVICES

SCHOOLS FORUM

Members are requested to attend a meeting to be held via Video Conference Link

Thursday 14th May 2020 2.00pm - 3.30pm

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All documents distributed in advance will be taken as read
And questions submitted in advance

DRAFT AGENDA

ITEM

1. Apologies for Absence and whether quorate (5 minutes)
2. Declaration of interests – the Education (Schools Government) Regulations 1989 (as amended) oblige members with a pecuniary interest in a contract or other matter to disclose the fact, to withdraw from the meeting when it is being discussed and not vote on it.
3. Minutes of the Meeting of 15th January 2020 (5 minutes) **Pages 2-9**
Note although the papers for the meeting scheduled for the 19th March were distributed the meeting did not take place
4. Matters Arising not on the Agenda - None
5. Dedicated Schools Grant- 2019-20 - Outturn (10 minutes) **Pages 11-12**
6. School Balances 2019-20 (15 minutes) **Pages 13-19**
7. Dedicated Schools Grant - 2020-21 (20 minutes) **Pages 20-22**
Appendix separate file Page 28
8. High Needs Block - 2020-21 - progress on Savings (15 minutes) **Pages 23-25**
Appendix separate file Page 29
9. Impact of COVID-19 on School Finances (10 minutes) **To Follow**
10. A.O.B. Any items must be with the Clerk by Noon 12th May 2020 (5 minutes)
a) Carry Forward Balances and Clawback
11. Dates of Further Meetings for 2019/20: 9 July 2020

Note as this is being conducted by video conference you are requested to submit by email any questions you may have on any item or any comments you wish to make in advance by email to the clerk - this is so the chair will know that you wish to speak.

This does not preclude further questions and/or supplementary follow ups but will enable to better structure the meeting as it may not be easy to catch the Chair's attention during the meeting or if there are internet connection issues your questions can still be taken.

THE SOUTHWARK SCHOOLS FORUM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Wednesday 15th January 2020

1. **Attendance and Apologies:** See Annex A - The Chair welcomed Gemma Donnelly as an EFSA observer
2. **Quorum:** The Clerk confirmed that the meeting was quorate -
3. **Declaration of Interests**
Members were asked to declare any pecuniary or other interests they might have that were greater than the interests of other members of the Schools Forum in any matter on the agenda for discussion. Steph Lea, substitute for LA maintained Special Schools, declared that she was a Director of Park College.
4. **Election of Vice Chair** - Ms Janice Babb was confirmed as Vice Chair
5. **Minutes of the Meeting of 5th December 2019**
 - 5.1 These were agreed for accuracy
 - 5.2 Matters Arising:
 - a) Report back on LA consulting Maintained Special Schools - Teresa Neary, the member for maintained special schools, confirmed that they would wish to buy into the maternity fund but probably not the contingency fund- the LA said that they had until March to confirm this.
 - b) Report back on LA consulting Maintained Nursery Schools - this had been done with them wishing to buy into both the maternity fund and the contingency fund.

Both requests were accepted by the Schools Forum
6. **Dedicated Schools Grant- 2019-20 Budget Monitor and 20-21 DSG Settlement**
 - 6.1 A report setting out the budget monitoring position as at 30th November 2019 had been circulated in advance with the detail of the allocation for 2020-21 and comparisons to the 2019-20 allocation.
 - 6.2 The in-year deficit of the 2019-20 DSG was projected to be 6.5m at outturn and when this is added to the previous year's deficit of £11.5m the borough is projecting going into the 2020-21 financial year with a total deficit of £18m. All agreed that this was not sustainable and the DFE requirement is that those authorities who find themselves in that position have to draw up plans to rectify the position. This had been subject to previous reports to the Schools Forum.
 - 6.3 The 2020-21 provisional DSG is indicating a 12.5m increase of which £7m is in the Schools Block and £5.5 m the High Needs Block, the other two blocks were the same. Following questions on what were the underlying reasons for the increase in the

Schools Block, the Local Authority (LA) referred members to the table in the report which is reproduced here and reflects the change in pupil numbers between years .

Changes to the schools block broken down into cost and volumes				
		Pupil changes	Funding	%
Pupil changes	primary	-523	-2,948,475	-2.28%
Pupil changes	secondary	729	5,740,124	5.11%
Settlement increase	primary	23,342	2,330,232	1.80%
Settlement increase	secondary	14,509	1,711,046	1.52%
			6,832,927	

- 6.4 The LA confirmed that the final allocation is expected to be announced in July 2020 as adjustments to Early Years allocations will be made based on the January census.
- 6.5 The High Needs Block was £5.5m higher, with small elements as a result of increased pupil numbers and recoupment changes but the majority was an increase in the actual settlement itself, that is £5.1m.
- 6.6 The announcement on the Pupil Premium rates will not be until later this term and it was confirmed that, following a question, the Teachers Pay Grant and Teachers Pensions Grant were not part of the DSG settlement but grants that are allocated independently.
- 6.7 The Chair reported that she had raised the issue of corporate overheads allocated to the DSG High Needs Block at a recent meeting with elected members and the Director said that the scrutiny by the High Needs Sub Group has helped clarify this area. All agreed that the work of this group of the Schools Forum has been commendable

The report was noted by the Schools Forum.

7. The Dedicated Schools Grant - 2020-21 – Central Retentions

- 7.1 This report, previously circulated, set out the proposed 2020-21 budget for the Schools Block including the centrally retained and de-delegated budgets. Original proposals by the Local Authority were considered and scrutinised by the Schools Forum at its meeting on the 5 December 2019. The Schools Forum is now asked to formally decide on the proposals.
- 7.2 The LA confirmed that the per pupil rates proposed for 2020-21 were as set out and discussed at the December 2019 meeting of the Schools Forum.
- 7.3 There being no additional points of clarification sought by the members regarding the de-delegated budgets proposed by the LA for 2020-21, the Schools Forum proceeded to vote on each de-delegated budget by phase. The clerk confirmed that this would be just the LA maintained primary school representatives and the secondary school representative as academies do not have funds deducted from their formula budgets for these services provided by the LA.

- 7.4 The voting on the de-delegated budgets for 2020-21 was as follows
- a) Contingencies:
 - In favour primary 2, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - In favour secondary 1, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - b) Behaviour Support Services- primary phase:
 - In favour 2, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - c) Behaviour Support Services: Summerhouse - primary phase:
 - In favour 2, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - d) Free School Meals Eligibility-primary phase:
 - In favour 2, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - e) Maternity Cover Scheme:
 - In favour primary 2, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - In favour secondary 1, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - f) Trade Union Facility Scheme:
 - In favour primary 2, against 0, Abstentions 0
 - In favour secondary 1, against 0, Abstentions 0
- 7.5 The Chair sought clarification from the LA that as the amount per pupil for the de-delegated budget for FSM eligibility checks had falling from the 2019-20 rate then the amount secondary schools were going to be charged by the LA in 2020-21 would also fall by the same percentage. This was confirmed by the LA.
- 7.6 The Schools Forum then turned to the Centrally Retained Budgets by the LA that was set out in Table 3 of paragraph 3.3. Once again, the Chair reminded members that these had been looked in detail at the previous meeting as set out in the minutes of that meeting. What members had issues with at that meeting was the lack of clarity and understanding over the “Places in independent schools for non-SEN pupils” at a cost of £294k.
- 7.7 The Director introduced her counterpart for Children’s Social Care who expanded on the additional information set out in the current report. He explained that the children that the budget funds are children with extremely complex needs with some on the pathway to an Educational Health Care Plan and in the main have to be placed outside the borough in residential accommodation, some might be moves from foster care to a residential setting.
- 7.8 Following questions it was confirmed that the budget only funds the educational element of the placement and that these are generally private special schools, i.e. no social care costs are included in this budget, the Schools Forum asked if there was anything they can assist with the getting the borough’s schools to get the children into mainstream bearing in mind the common objective of doing the best for the children and keeping the money within the borough’s own schools.
- 7.9 Both Directors confirmed that they are very conscious of getting value for money from their budgets especially the high cost of alternative placements. The Schools Forum thanked The Director for Social Care for providing the information and then moved to voting on the Centrally Retained budgets.
- 7.10 The Schools Forum maintained and academy and free schools primary and secondary representatives voted on each of the budgets as set out in Table 3 in paragraph 3.3 of the report. The voting was as follows:

- a) LA duties for all schools: In favour 4, Against 0, Abstentions 1
 - b) Growth fund: In favour 3, Against 1, Abstentions 1
 - c) Schools Falling Rolls: In favour 3, Against 0, Abstentions 2
 - d) Places in independent schools for non-SEN pupils:
In favour 3, Against 0, Abstentions 2
 - e) Admissions: In favour 4, Against 0, Abstentions 1
 - f) Servicing of Schools Forum: In favour 5, Against 0, Abstentions 0
- 7.11 The LA continues to hold specific responsibilities for maintained schools, known as “Maintained Schools Only Central Retention” and in 2020-21 the cost is at the same rate per pupil as the in the previous year i.e. £16.43. The total funding would drop in line with the expected reduction in pupil numbers. The amount is forecast to be £327k which had reduced due to the previous fall in pupil numbers and two schools converting to academies. This was then voted on by the maintained schools and was unanimously agreed.
- 7.12 The position on central overheads was noted.

8. Schools Funding Formula 2020-21

- 8.1 This report, previously circulated to members provided the Schools Forum with the details of the mainstream school funding formula for 2020-21 and its associated individual school budgets including, following consultation, the LA’s decision to transfer funds from the Schools Block to the High Needs Block.
- 8.2 The Chair first asked the Schools Forum to look at the outcome of the LA Consultation with its 16 responses. Although the number of responses was disappointing it was acknowledged that with LA “Roadshows” and briefings the LA could not have done much more to engage schools. Two of the primary school reps said that they had personally engaged their constituents by emailing and assisting with the analysis of the situation from the perspective of their phase.
- 8.3 It was felt however that the timing of the consultation, i.e. just before Christmas, was a problem but this was dictated by the deadlines set by the EFSA. The LA stated that they were charged with, as a first , setting the High Needs Block budget for 20-21 with an in-year balance. Then they will have to address the accumulative deficit of £18m which was caused by the high costs of and insufficient funding for that Block.
- 8.4 The LA had, with the High Needs Sub Group of the Schools Forum, been scrutinising, in great depth, all aspects of that block and had submitted reports to the Schools Forum. The LA had already started to address the identified trends and attempt, in some cases, to reverse them. But, the underlying issue, is that there has been insufficient government funding from the outset to address the volume of need and high costs.
- 8.5 The attention of the Schools Forum was drawn to the accompanying spreadsheet with the papers that showed the LA strategy for addressing the issues over time and in particular the requirement to identify funding from further block transfers from the Schools Block. The consultation had shown that it does not appear to be an issue with schools concerning continuing the historic transfer of £3.1m. This the Schools Forum agreed with and so they would concentrate on the LA’s request for a further £1.9m in

some form or another in the 2020-21 financial year which schools showed little appetite for.

- 8.6 Table 1 in paragraph 4.2 had given three options by the LA, however Option 1 was actually requesting £3.9m over a three-year period, Option2, phased £1.9m and Option 3 a straight £1.9m hit in the 2020-21 financial year. The Schools Forum was reminded that block transfers have to be considered on an annual basis.
- 8.7 The Schools Forum agreed and decided that Option 1 was a non-starter and they would discard and not support. Option 2, according to their spreadsheet was insufficient in year1 to meet their strategy for deficit recovery. So really that left Option 3, however again when reviewing the spreadsheet in fact that figure was over and above what was actually needed in year 1. In fact, needed was around £1.5m and if the change in the MFG for Special schools and academies was set at minus 1.5% rather than 0%, which yielded £140k, that meant that actually it was slightly less.
- 8.8 Following a question the LA confirmed that they believed if they could get the High Needs Budget to balance in-year in 2020-21 this would be an agreeable first step with the EFSA. So really the Schools Forum was looking at the LA proposals around this amount which met the LA projections with a small contingency.
- 8.9 Steve Morrison, secondary academies representative expressed schools concern at schools taking such a large hit in one year, even if the proposal was to pay that back once the longer-term savings identified in the LA proposals came into being. As the largest school in the borough this amounted to more than £130k. The borough has always held dear the Minimum Funding Guarantee, set at 1.5%, to enable change to happen over time, and so assist with maintaining and raising standards. And was it fair that large schools appeared to take a big cash reduction?
- 8.10 The primary school representatives also expressed concern that even for a small one form entry school there is the same relative impact as set out in the impact analysis in table 2 in paragraph 4.3 that would cause redundancies.
- 8.11 Steve Morrison said that changing the MFG was not something he was prepared to accept and that if what the LA proposed did not work then they would be back again the next year wanting more, what guarantees were there that this would not happen?
- 8.12 The LA aid that the DFE were very clear that the issue in 2020-21 has to be addressed. That the Block Transfer was part of the bigger plan and that addressing the £18m “overdraft” needs further work. But the LA cannot predict exactly the possible changes in the High Needs Block in third party costs and volumes, especially with the time lag in any savings coming on stream, and so cannot guarantee that additional may be needed but at the moment this was the anticipated amount needed.
- 8.13 Following a question from Mike Antoniou , the LA confirmed that the causes of the deficit are the new duties recently transferred to the DSG for 19 to 25 year olds and the high cost of Alternative Provision, there are strategies in place to bring pupils back into the borough’s own provision. The Chair said that the data analysis showed that the exclusion rate in academies was far higher than maintained schools and the costs of the alternative provision fell upon the LA.

- 8.14 Other members then asked a range of clarifying questions about the consequences of saying “No”, the LA strategy for specialist provision, the impact of more capital spend on the borough’s schools so they can be more inclusive and that detail should have been given on the impact on each individual school. It was also clarified that whatever mechanism was used to reduce potential funding to schools to meet this block transfer that the same mechanism was used to “pay back” that funding at a later date - this the LA agreed would be the case.
- 8.15 The LA confirmed that all schools bar one would be on the Minimum Funding Guarantee and so the full impact on schools of the proposal was in fact less in cash terms. Another concern of the Schools Forum was that the reduction to schools would increase the gap between those that have the resources to absorb the reduction and those that cannot and will drive more into deficit and so impact negatively on standards.
- 8.16 The LA confirmed again that their strategy was to drive down costs where they could and with the falling rolls in primary schools to take out surplus places where they can, making it easier for smaller schools although they will have less resources and there are more schools with in-year deficits than previously. Steve Morrison said that schools would want to see the strategy from the LA for paying back the funds and that it maintained the principle of fairness across all schools.
- 8.17 The Chair asked if there were any more points that members wanted to raise or anything new the LA wanted to say. The Director said that the option of doing nothing is in fact not an option which the Schools Forum agreed and that they would amend the amount downwards from £1.9m to £1.5m in their proposal b) of the report. The Schools Forum then proceeded to vote on the LA proposals as set out in the report.
- 8.18 Proposal a) To Agree for 2020-21, that , as in 2019-20, a transfer from the Schools Block to the High Needs Block of £3.1m
In Favour 10, Against 0, Abstentions 0
- 8.19 Amended Proposal b) To Agree for 2020-21 to a further one-off Schools Block transfer to the High Needs Block of £1.5m over and above the current £3.1m
In Favour 10, Against 0, Abstentions 0
- 8.20 Proposal c) To support the Local Authority seeking the Secretary of State’s approval for the schools block transfers agreed in recommendations a) and b) above
In Favour 10, Against 0, Abstentions 0
- 8.21 Proposal d) To Agree to the proposal that all the other school funding rates remain the same as 2019-20 with the exception of those changes set out below
- 8.22 The Schools Forum then looked at the LA proposal to amend the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) for special schools and special academies. Following a question, the LA confirmed that this could not be done automatically as the minus 1.5% was outside the recommended range by the DFE and so the LA would have to apply to the Secretary of State for approval and this would take into account what the Schools Forum said and importantly the reaction by its special schools and academies.

8.23 Following a question, the LA confirmed that there were no national benchmarking data for making comparisons between the borough's special schools and others. The special school rep pointed out that the Top Up Rate had not increased for 8 years nor had the Place rate changed in that time. In addition, they were themselves experiencing more and more challenging needs of the children they have on roll and if the borough wants not to bring more children back into the borough this is not the time to be reducing funding to keep them in borough.

8.18 The Chair pointed out that the Schools Forum had already supported the Block Transfer of £1.5m. Therefore, was not the proposal introducing the MFG to special schools not required? The LA agreed and withdrew their proposal to apply that change.

The Schools Forum returned to voting on the proposals set out in the report.

8.19 Proposal f) To Agree to the funding rates for the Special Schools funding formula for 2020-21 be as set out in in Table 5 in paragraph 9.3
In Favour 9, Against 0, Abstentions 0

8.20 Proposal g) To Agree that the High Needs sub-group in 2020-21 review the funding rates for the Haymerle Special School and for Park College
In Favour 10, Against 0, Abstentions 0

8.21 Proposal h) To Agree that the funding rates for the Resource Base funding formula for 2020-21 will be as detailed in Table 6 - paragraph 10.1
In Favour 8, Against 0, Abstentions 1

8.22 Proposal i) To Agree that the High Needs sub-group in 2020-21 review the funding rates of the Hearing Impaired resource unit and the Speech and Language
In Favour 10, Against 0, Abstentions 0

8.23 Proposal j) To Agree to the top-up rate in 2020-21 for Southwark's Pupil Referral Unit - SILS - should be at the same level as 2019-20, i.e. £11,000 (paragraph 11)
In Favour 10, Against 0, Abstentions 0

8.24 Proposal k) To Agree that the funding rate for hospital schools for 2020-21 will be (paragraph 12):

Evelina Hospital School	£19,728
Bethlem and Maudsley Hospital School	£25,046
In Favour 9, Against 0, Abstentions 0	

9. Early Years Funding Formula 2020-21

9.1 This report previously distributed to members gave the provisional allocation of the Early Years Block of the 2020-21 Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) and provided detail of the changes in comparison to 2019-20. It also proposed the funding rates for early year providers in 2020-21.

9.2 The Schools Forum representative for maintained nursery schools confirmed that there had been little change to the funding rates from the DFE, in fact it was only the

funding rate for 2 year olds that had increased from £6.50 per hour to £6.58 and that it was acceptable not to change the rates for the new financial year.

9.3 The Schools Forum were then asked to agree to the proposals as set out in the report:

A) The funding rates for Early Year providers

- i) 3 and 4 year olds a base rate of £5.95 per hour (Section 4.1)
- ii) 3 and 4 year olds deprivation funding rates (Section 4.2)
- iii) 2 year olds funding of £6.25 per hour (Section 4.3)

In Favour 8, Against 0 and Abstentions 1

B) That the nursery schools agree the distribution of the supplementary funding of £1,561k and advise the Local Authority accordingly.

In Favour 9, Against 0 and Abstentions 0

C) That the central retentions budget should be set at £921k as per Section 5.2

In Favour 9, Against 0 and Abstentions 1

11 Dates of Future Meetings

The dates of the next meetings were noted.

Annex A
SCHOOLS FORUM ATTENDANCE SHEET
15th January 2020

VOTING MEMBERS

NAME	CONSTITUENCY	PRESENT
Janice Babb	Primary School Headteacher	Yes
Susannah Bellingham	Primary School Headteacher	Yes
Pia Longman	Primary School Headteacher	Apologies
Vacant	Primary School Headteacher	
Vacant	Primary School Governor	
Vacant	Primary School Governor	
Rebecca Sherwood	Nursery School Headteacher	Yes
Teresa Neary	Special School Headteacher	Yes
Nicola Howard	Early Years – Private/Voluntary and Independent Settings	Yes
Steve Morrison	Academy	Yes
Vacant	Academy (Primary)	
Mike Antoniou	Academy	Yes
Simon Eccles	Special School Academy	Sub Steph Lea - Spa Camberwell
Yomi Adewoye	Pupil Referral Units	
Sister Anne-Marie Niblock	Secondary School Headteacher	Yes
Vacant	FE SEN	Awaiting nomination
Catherine May	Diocesan Boards	Apologies
Betty Joseph	Trade Unions	Yes

Senior Officers in Attendance

Nina Dohel	Yes
Russell Dyer	Yes
Dave Richards	Yes
Yvonne Ely	Apologies
Terry Segarty	Yes
David Cross	Clerk

Date: 14 May 2020	Item 5	Type of report: For decision
Report title:	Dedicated Schools Grant Outturn 2019-20	
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Officer to present the report:	Dave Richards	

Executive Summary

This report sets out the outturn of the 2019-20 Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) including the year-end position and the carry forward to 2019-20.

Schools Forum Actions

The Schools Forum is asked to

- Note that the Dedicated Schools Grant was in a deficit £18.5m at the end of 2019-20 financial year, which included the deficit carry forward of £11.5m from 2017-18
- Agree that the deficit will be carried forward to 2020-21
- Note the position is provisional subject to external audit opinion.

1. Dedicated Schools Grant 2019/20

- 1.1 Members will recall that the Local Authority reported to the January Schools Forum that the DSG forecast at the end of December was showing a likely end of year deficit of £18.0m, as detailed below

	DSG Allocation 2019-20 £m	Over/ (Underspend) £m
Schools Block	122.732	(0.2)
High Needs Block	42.383	7.6
Early Years Block	26.747	(0.6)
Central Services	1.683	(0.3)
Total	193.545	6.5
Deficit as at 31 March 2019		11.5
Forecast Deficit as at 31 March 2020		18.0

The final position was an overspend of £7.0m in comparison with the £6.5m predicted in the above table. This figure though is still subject to external audit.

- 1.3 The key movements between the December forecast and the outturn position was the high needs budget overspent by £7m which was lower than expected. This was mainly due to an underspend on the Alternative provision budget of £400k. A cautious approach had been taken during the year on the likely numbers of children that would be needed to be supported and the impact of the new on-line tuition. Offsetting this was increased expenditure on the early years block.
- 1.4 Members will be aware of the work of the High Needs Sub-Group looking at the overspend and how in the long term the High Needs block can be balanced. While the work of the High Needs group has slowed with COVID-19 there is a report on this agenda which looks at the latest position.
- 1.5 Under the current regulations the Schools Forum has a responsibility to decide whether to carry forward a deficit on central expenditure to the next year to be funded from the schools budget.

2. Financial position on de-delegated budgets and Growth Fund

- 2.1 The summary position is shown in the table below:

2019-20	Budget £m	Final Outturn £m	Over/ (Underspends) £m
Schools in financial difficulty	0.5	0.5	0
Behaviour Support services	1.6	1.6	0
Maternity	0.8	0.7	(0.1)
Trade Unions	0.1	0.1	0
Growth Funds	0.1	0.1	0
Falling Rolls	0.1	0.1	0

3. Conclusion

The outturn position contained no real surprises although the lower overspend on the high needs blocks is welcome the DSG is still under significant financial pressure which cannot continue, the spend on the High Needs Block needs be addressed through a recovery plan, otherwise it will destabilise both Schools and the Councils finances.

Date: 14 May 2020	Item 6	Type of report: For discussion
Report title:	School Balances 2019/20	
Author name:	Dave Richards, Senior Finance Manager	
Officer to present the report:	Dave Richards, Senior Finance Manager	

Executive Summary

This report provides the annual update of the maintained schools revenue balances as at 31 March 2020.

Schools Forum Actions

To note:

- the schools' cumulative revenue balances have fallen from £12.7m as at 31 March 2019 to £10.9m as at 31 March 2020.
- there are 24 schools in deficit as at 31 March 2020 (19 were in deficit as at 31 March 2019)

1. Total Revenue School Balances at 31st March 2020

- 1.1 The year-end revenue balances held by schools show a reduction of £1.8m from £12.7m to £10.9m.
- 1.2 There are now 24 schools that have a revenue deficit, which represents 32% of our schools. There were 43 (57%) schools that operated an in-year deficit in 2019-20. That is, they spent more than they received in 2019-20. They have supported their funding by using their previous years' carry forward. With the pupil numbers falling there is only a limited time that this can continue.

The Table below shows the total revenue balances by sector at the end of the 2019-20 financial year. Appendix A also provides the capital balances.

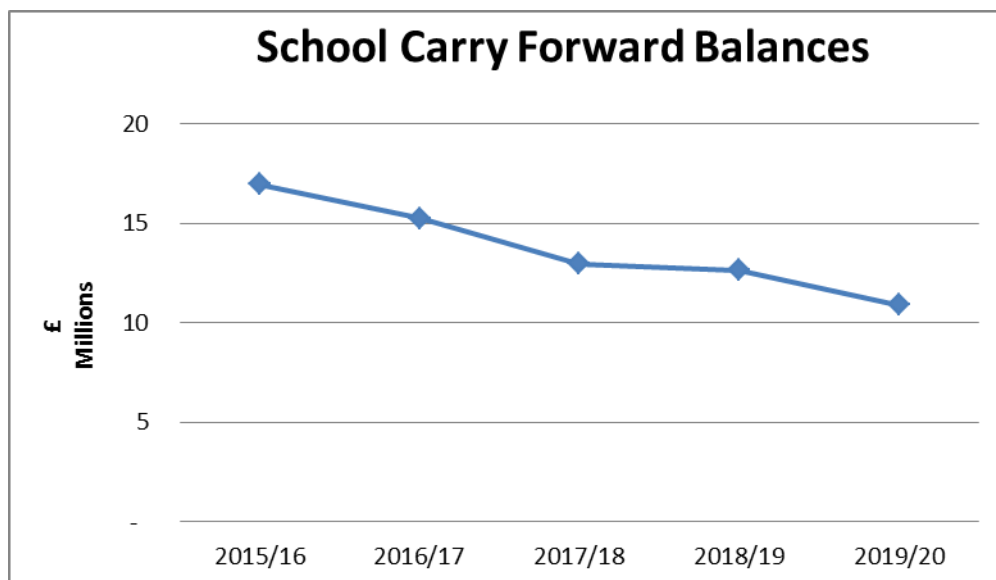
Table 1: Schools' Cumulative Revenue Balances at 31st March 2020 (- is a deficit)

Phase	Number of Schools	2019/20 Cumulative Revenue Balances	Average Cumulative Revenue Balance	Lowest Cumulative Revenue Balance (including deficits)	Highest Cumulative Revenue positive Balance
Nursery	5	103,907	20,781	-162,933	344,958
Primary	60	6,914,235	115,237	-443,545	1,977,351
Secondary	3	1,458,572	486,191	30,492	1,006,783
Special	8	2,429,546	303,693	-12,202	814,273
Total	76	10,906,260			

Note - Special Schools includes Hospital Schools and the Pupil Referral Unit. The Table excludes balances held by academies and free schools.

- 1.3 A comparison of the total revenue held by schools over the past four years is provided in the table below.

Table 2: Five Year Trend Analysis of Revenue Balances



- 1.4 Appendix A contains a list showing each school's revenue balances.

2. Controls on Surplus Revenue Balances

- 2.1 The Local Authority has in its Scheme for Financing Schools adopted controls on surplus revenue balances using thresholds of 5% for secondary schools and 8% for other schools. A breakdown of the number of schools holding revenue balances in excess of the threshold by phase is outlined in the table below:

Table 3: Schools in Excess of Agreed Threshold

Phase	2019-20 No. of schools	2018-19 No. of schools	2017-18 No. of schools
Nursery	1	2	3
Primary	26	19	27
Secondary	2	2	3
Special	7	6	6
Total	36	29	39

- 2.2 When a school exceeds this threshold they have to include in their budget return to the Local Authority details on how they will use the carry forward. This return is due on the 31 May 2020.

- 2.3 As part of the Council's controls the Schools Finance Team (SFT) will then have further dialogue with those schools that have exceeded the threshold regarding their balances and the purpose for which they are held. This will be analysed and reported to the July's Schools Forum.

3. Schools Beginning 2019-20 With Deficit Balances

Definition of Financial Difficulty

- 3.1 In addition to the statutory roles of the council to set school budgets, collect and collate the revenue and capital annual outturn figures, for consolidation in the council's balance sheet, it has a duty to review and monitor the financial 'health' of maintained schools in terms of their budget pressures and ability to manage day to day cash flow.
- 3.2 The schools with deficit balances at the year end of 31st March for the past 3 years are shown below:

Table 4: - Trend Analysis of Deficit Balances

Schools Phase	Number In Deficit 2019-20	Number In Deficit 2018-19	Number In Deficit 2017-18
Nursery	3	2	2
Primary	20	16	19
Secondary	0	1	1
Special	1	1	0
Total	24	20	22

- 3.3 The list includes 3 schools which have moved into deficit this year, there are 5 schools have moved out of deficit. The Schools Finance Team are actively working with the schools to ensure they all have a licensed budget recovery plans in place.
- 3.4 The table above is calculated using the total revenue balances for schools, including any community focussed extended services balances. The previous years' data has been amended from that previously reported to show a like for like comparison and to removes schools that have subsequently become academies.

4. Overall Financial Position

- 4.1 The above tables show the difficult financial climate that schools are facing of both in-year deficits and falling pupil numbers. Further pay awards are anticipated to be greater than the increase allowed for in the settlement.
- 4.2 While schools will be supported on an individual basis a wider more strategic review is taking place to address some of the issues around the planning of school places and the provision that is needed around the borough in the future.

5 Conclusion

- 5.1 The end of year financial position shows the strain that schools finances are under stress. The Schools Financial Value and Audit Reports show contrasting views on the financial monitoring and governance in the school. The financial position is likely to worsen over the new few years and the financial position will come under even more close scrutiny.
- 5.2 It is important that Governors play an important part in monitoring and challenging financial performance in schools bearing in mind the underlying differences in the conclusions between the School Financial Value Standard and the internal Audit Reports.

Appendix A – Schools Closing Revenue Balance at 31st March 2020

Nursery Schools

Sequential School Number	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2019	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2020	Capital Balances as 31 March 2020
1	(£165,611)	(£162,933)	£37,422
2	(£105,151)	(£92,402)	£53,631
3	£11,060	(£16,485)	£24,570
4	£105,398	£30,769	£31,166
5	£297,619	£344,958	£4,283
Nursery Schools	£143,315	£103,907	£151,072

Primary Schools

Sequential School Number	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2019	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2020	Capital Balances as 31 March 2020
6	(£143,802)	(£443,545)	£37,425
7	(£115,159)	(£429,661)	£21,457
8	(£234,272)	(£283,250)	£76,619
9	(£319,821)	(£268,678)	£39,307
10	£10,050	(£229,226)	£16,089
11	(£85,992)	(£227,761)	£33,333
12	(£110,803)	(£188,502)	£0
13	£29,149	(£163,812)	£32,068
14	(£262,365)	(£156,472)	(£23,897)
15	(£51,968)	(£115,128)	£55,189
16	(£148,264)	(£112,713)	£17,798
17	£133,400	(£112,088)	£0
18	£9,957	(£94,943)	£0
19	(£58,733)	(£88,112)	£0
20	(£138,848)	(£78,808)	£7,223
21	(£94,234)	(£34,864)	£66,647
22	(£980)	(£19,436)	£10,432
23	(£156,834)	(£19,023)	£44,566
24	£74,772	(£18,260)	£8,896
25	£5,719	(£8,435)	£0
26	£85,658	£5,491	£33,337
27	£148,095	£6,310	£0
28	£34,441	£15,585	£0
29	£141,142	£19,237	£0
30	£115,122	£23,057	£2,227
31	(£15,283)	£25,200	£0

32	£78,816	£26,036	£0
33	£91,119	£35,911	£3,292
34	£94,263	£44,187	£571,544
35	£28,277	£53,741	£0
36	£136,901	£58,258	£12,112
37	£89,697	£58,754	£0
38	£42,566	£72,692	£0
39	£194,866	£78,371	£59,943
40	£168,584	£91,818	£19,289
41	£176,791	£93,466	£35,392
42	£113,038	£94,750	£6,392
43	£204,264	£137,364	£0
44	£152,234	£144,054	£0
45	£122,859	£152,941	£0
46	£66,456	£164,841	£12,925
47	£112,807	£166,951	£0
48	£102,224	£169,369	£13,864
49	£206,467	£180,585	£52,732
50	£202,983	£193,249	£0
51	£303,260	£204,057	£18
52	£283,875	£268,563	£0
53	£157,875	£271,538	£59,770
54	£284,904	£273,970	£4,484
55	£230,566	£296,097	£38,072
56	£188,609	£304,134	£11,927
57	£268,432	£358,671	£0
58	£302,469	£371,818	£31,075
59	£314,121	£404,346	(£14,938)
60	£469,895	£417,165	£0
61	£527,053	£472,531	£0
62	£465,224	£518,367	£0
63	£617,368	£658,830	£0
64	£1,422,553	£1,097,296	£0
65	£1,909,520	£1,977,351	£26,178
Primary Schools	£8,981,086	£6,914,235	£1,422,788

Secondary Schools

Sequential School Number	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2019	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2020	Capital Balances as 31 March 2020
66	(£27,748)	£30,492	£13,495
67	£467,284	£421,297	£60,810
68	£1,035,277	£1,006,783	(£31,819)
Secondary Schools	£1,474,813	£1,458,572	£42,487

Special Schools

Sequential School Number	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2019	Closing revenue balance at 31 March 2020	Capital Balances as 31 March 2020
69	(£33,261)	(£12,202)	£63,585
70	£92,423	£93,765	£36,911
71	£106,153	£210,162	£3,424
72	£334,213	£244,382	£14,385
73	£227,156	£283,882	£42,560
74	£290,821	£298,138	£32,017
75	£426,812	£497,146	£27,410
76	£659,301	£814,273	£0
Special Schools	£2,103,618	£2,429,546	£220,293
TOTAL	£12,702,832	£10,906,260	£1,836,639

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Executive Summary

This report provides the Schools Forum with an update on the position of the schools block for 2020-21.

Schools Forum Actions

The Schools Forum is asked to note the report.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Local Authority is required to submit each year details of the mainstream school funding formula to the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). The funding formula is based on data provided by the ESFA although there is some scope to make some changes; the funding rates need to be agreed with the Forum.
- 1.2 The meeting of the Schools Forum on the 15 January 2020 agreed to transfer £4.8m from the Schools Block to the High Needs block. In order to do this the Local Authority had to seek the permission of the Secretary of State for Education. The Schools Forum also set the Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) at 1.05%
- 1.3 The Secretary of State responded on the 13 February rejecting the transfer of £4.6m but as the national regulations state he noted that 0.5% of the school's block can be transferred without his approval. This amounts to £1.3m leaving a balance of £3.3m.
- 1.4 The Local Authority then wrote to the Secretary of State asking for him to reconsider his decision pending any other action.
- 1.5 The Secretary of State in reconsidering his decision has agreed that a transfer of £3.2m can now take place leaving a shortfall of £1.4m from the originally proposed transfer of £4.6m.

2. Impact

- 2.1 In order to accept this the Local Authority had to submit a Authority Proforma tool (APT) to the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). This tool which is in reality a spreadsheet that shows all the calculation for school budgets and how the funding is distributed between schools. In order to facilitate this the balance of the transfer that was not agreed, the £1.4m from paragraph 1.5 was added to the falling rolls fund.
- 2.2 Members will have seen the report on schools balances earlier on in the agenda and attached in Appendix A to this report is the school budget allocations and the changes since last year. The table below summarise this by sector. While this table shows the reduction in maintained primary schools it slightly hides the fact the reduction is even more acute in the smaller one form schools.

	Pupil Numbers				Individual School Budgets			
	2020-21	2019-20	Change		2020-21 £	2019-20 £	Change £	
Primary - Maintained	17,877	18,533	- 656		101,502,807	103,507,436	-2,004,628	-1.9%
Primary - Academy	4,689	4,544	145		25,681,427	24,610,862	1,070,565	4.3%
TOTAL - Primary	22,566	23,077	- 511		127,184,234	128,118,298	- 934,063	-0.7%
Secondary - Maintained	2,026	1,994	32		16,014,780	15,621,628	393,152	2.5%
Secondary - Academy	13,802	13,125	677		106,269,760	99,972,495	6,297,265	6.3%
TOTAL - Secondary	15,828	15,119	709		122,284,540	115,594,123	6,690,417	5.8%
OVERALL TOTAL	38,394	38,196	198		249,468,774	243,712,421	5,756,353	2.4%

- 2.3 As members will be aware the falling rolls fund has quite tight definitions, over the course of the year officers will look at whether there is scope for revision.

3. High Needs blocks

- 3.1 The reduction in the school block transfer does mean that there is shortfall in funding on the high needs block. The original budget plan with the full school block transfer of £4.6m brought the High Needs block back into a neutral financial position. As it now stands it is showing a in-year deficit of £1.4m.
- 3.2 The paper on high needs will provide the revised deficit recovery plan. It will also discuss the current position on savings and how we address the new shortfall.

4. Pupil Premium Rates

4.1 Deprivation

This year schools received £1,320 for every primary age pupil, or £935 for every secondary age pupil, who claims free school meals, or who has claimed free school meals in the last 6 years.

From April 2020 the new rates will be:

- £1,345 per primary-aged pupil
- £955 per secondary-aged pupil

4.2 Pupil Premium Rates - Looked-after and Previously Looked-After Children

Schools currently receive £2,300 for every pupil who has left local authority care through adoption, a special guardianship order or child arrangements order. Under the regulations a local authority receives the same amount for each child they are looking after; they must work with the school to decide how the money is used to support the child's Personal Education Plan.

From April 2020, the new rate will be £2,345 per eligible pupil.

4.3 Pupil Premium Rates - Service Families

Schools currently get £300 for every pupil with a parent who:

- is serving in HM Forces
- has retired on a pension from the Ministry of Defence

This funding is to help with pastoral support.

From April 2020 the new service premium rate will be £310 per pupil.

5. Nursery Supplementary funding

- 5.1 The Early Years Single Funding Formula was introduced to provide a level playing field for all nursery providers. In recognition that a single funding rate did not provide a level playing field for maintained nursery schools (MNS) on account of a higher level of costs due to statutory requirements, the DfE provides supplementary funding within the DSG for distribution to these schools.
- 5.2 Nursery schools have agreed to keep the formula for distributing the MNS Supplementary funding unchanged for 2020/21. The formula allocates the funding on the basis of pupil numbers, EAL, NNDR along with a lump sum.

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Executive Summary

This report provides the Schools Forum with an update on the deficit in the DSG High Needs Block and the latest recovery plan

Schools Forum Actions

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The revised recovery plan is shown in Appendix A of this report.

- 2.2 There are significant savings still to be made in 2020-21. These total £2.2m and at this time they look to be mostly achievable other than the saving on the resource base that is discussed below. The transition of Education, Care Health Plans to the new banding structure with Covid-19 is likely to slow. This is due to the detailed work with families and schools not being able to be carried out as required to achieve individual case reductions.
- 2.3 At this stage of the year and the current situation with Covid-19 it seems unlikely that any new saving can be agreed although it is being considered whether the next year's savings can be brought forward.
- 2.4 Currently if no new savings were achieved the High Needs block would come into an in-year surplus in 2021-22, of course that relies on no new further financial pressures being experienced from increases in placements.

3. Resource Bases

- 3.1 The saving anticipated for this year is £375k and falls into two parts

3.2 Dyslexia unit

Following the external consultant's review of the Local Authority's provision for dyslexia and reshaping the schools agreed to retain £70,000 for Strategic Leadership and Coordination including a contingency amount for complex and contentious cases. This represents a saving of £102,000 on the current position. This allows the Local Authority to meet its requirement to provide a service to children with SpLD/ dyslexia.

- 3.3 From September this strategic leadership and coordination will be provided by Lyndhurst primary school for an interim period so that there is no break in service. A full consultation and commissioning exercise can take place from September when schools are more likely to be in a position to consider if they could run such a service.

3.4 Autism Bases

A consultation took place during February 2020 with schools that have Autism bases. The consultation was looking at the impact of reducing the autism top-up funding from £14,430 to £11,930.

Following this consultation officers are looking at a number of options:

- A phased introduction protecting the funding levels of existing pupils
- To look at a different reduced funding rate.
- To look at the how the provision might be developed to meet a different range of pupil need

3.5 With the current situation on COVID-19 it would not be possible to implement any changes for the end of this summer term as originally planned. The earliest possible implementation would be for the start of the Spring Term. With this in mind officers will work up detailed proposals and bring them to the Schools Forum for their meeting in July 2020.

Other reviews

Currently there are two reviews planned for SILS and the virtual schools, these will be considered after the May half term break and reported back to the Schools Forum.

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DFE No	Sector	School	Pupil Numbers			Individual School Budgets			
			2020-21	2019-20	Change	2020-21	2019-20	Change	
						£	£	£	
2103492	P	St Jude's Church of England Primary School	85	88	- 3	610,760	622,056	- 11,296	
2102621	P	Victory Primary School	135	145	- 10	877,055	919,021	- 41,966	
2103445	P	St George's Church of England Primary School	149	145	4	905,123	876,548	28,575	
2103468	P	St John's Walworth Church of England Primary School	150	175	- 25	893,345	1,009,653	- 116,308	
2103516	P	Peter Hills with St Mary's and St Paul's CofE Primary School	155	169	- 14	932,804	995,166	- 62,363	
2103508	P	St Mary Magdalene Church of England Primary School	160	203	- 43	951,771	1,157,680	- 205,910	
2102609	P	Townsend Primary School	163	168	- 5	1,027,410	1,025,273	2,137	
2105204	P	St Joseph's Catholic Infants School	166	159	7	987,738	943,538	44,200	
2103586	P	St Peter's Church of England Primary School	167	187	- 20	987,932	1,075,772	- 87,840	
2102607	P	Tower Bridge Primary School	180	188	- 8	1,115,521	1,146,429	- 30,908	
2105205	P	Friars Primary Foundation School	180	191	- 11	1,062,199	1,104,105	- 41,906	
2102308	P	Hollydale Primary School	183	206	- 23	1,127,780	1,237,030	- 109,250	
2102560	P	Snowsfields Primary School	191	187	4	1,138,675	1,105,770	32,905	
2103399	P	St James the Great Roman Catholic Primary School	199	200	- 1	1,158,003	1,152,239	5,764	
2103447	P	St George's Cathedral Catholic Primary School	200	211	- 11	1,151,268	1,195,615	- 44,347	
2103476	P	St Joseph's Catholic Primary School	202	199	3	1,170,697	1,144,604	26,093	
2103484	P	Saint Joseph's Catholic Primary School, the Borough	202	205	- 3	1,175,115	1,177,723	- 2,607	
2102038	P	Bellenden Primary School	204	233	- 29	1,270,811	1,417,157	- 146,345	
2102852	P	Pilgrims' Way Primary School	204	206	- 2	1,245,022	1,228,447	16,574	
2103593	P	The Cathedral School of St Saviour and St Mary Overy	205	202	3	1,117,069	1,093,210	23,858	
2103669	P	St John's Roman Catholic Primary School	205	204	1	1,198,610	1,182,387	16,224	
2102138	P	Crampton Primary	207	204	3	1,222,028	1,193,289	28,739	
2103313	P	Boutcher Church of England Primary School	208	206	2	1,189,792	1,168,593	21,199	
2102516	P	Robert Browning Primary School	219	260	- 41	1,335,395	1,531,398	- 196,003	
2105207	P	Charlotte Sharman Primary School	222	268	- 46	1,307,269	1,523,716	- 216,447	
2105203	P	St Joseph's Catholic Junior School	228	232	- 4	1,304,582	1,312,638	- 8,056	
2102123	P	Comber Grove School	242	265	- 23	1,405,761	1,474,740	- 68,979	
2105200	P	St Francesca Cabrini Primary School	265	305	- 40	1,473,599	1,657,841	- 184,242	
2103337	P	Dulwich Village Church of England Infants' School	267	266	1	1,380,942	1,363,022	17,920	
2103670	P	Rye Oak Primary School	290	315	- 25	1,741,875	1,852,942	- 111,067	
2102514	P	Riverside Primary School	295	301	- 6	1,776,953	1,788,461	- 11,508	
2103341	P	English Martyrs Roman Catholic Primary School	299	319	- 20	1,720,710	1,807,982	- 87,272	

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						£	£	£	
2102116	P	Cobourg Primary School	311	358	- 47	1,796,770	2,004,478	- 207,708	
2103475	P	St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School	316	315	1	1,690,048	1,668,507	21,540	
2102351	P	Keyworth Primary School	332	351	- 19	2,059,805	1,980,404	79,401	
2102365	P	Dulwich Wood Primary School	332	335	- 3	1,877,848	1,994,865	- 117,017	
2102323	P	Ilderton Primary School	339	366	- 27	1,931,008	2,025,083	- 94,074	
2102085	P	Camelot Primary School	347	403	- 56	2,005,958	2,247,231	- 241,274	
2102263	P	Grange Primary School	363	357	6	2,172,659	2,101,005	71,654	
2102161	P	Dog Kennel Hill School	372	400	- 28	1,996,303	2,109,850	- 113,547	
2102855	P	Oliver Goldsmith Primary School	372	385	- 13	2,187,415	2,233,500	- 46,086	
2102858	P	Brunswick Park Primary School	374	388	- 14	2,198,128	2,249,421	- 51,292	
2102853	P	Alfred Salter Primary School	376	382	- 6	2,122,102	2,103,302	18,800	
2102293	P	Heber Primary School	379	371	8	1,906,281	1,954,649	- 48,368	
2103460	P	St John's and St Clement's Church of England Primary School	382	396	- 14	1,905,253	1,950,297	- 45,044	
2102526	P	Rotherhithe Primary School	388	416	- 28	2,334,185	2,463,426	- 129,242	
2103435	P	St Francis RC Primary School	394	399	- 5	2,116,691	2,120,663	- 3,972	
2105201	P	St Anthony's Catholic Primary School	396	406	- 10	1,985,556	2,011,971	- 26,415	
2102392	P	Lyndhurst Primary School	399	401	- 2	2,136,375	2,182,616	- 46,241	
2102562	P	Southwark Park Primary School	399	402	- 3	2,217,027	2,210,631	6,396	
2102411	P	Michael Faraday School	400	405	- 5	2,339,040	2,341,867	- 2,826	
2102003	P	Albion Primary School	406	391	15	2,375,962	2,313,812	62,149	
2102100	P	Charles Dickens Primary School	420	419	1	2,325,938	2,240,578	85,360	
2102339	P	John Ruskin Primary School and Language Classes	426	421	5	2,433,566	2,340,374	93,192	
2103452	P	St James' Church of England Primary School	473	469	4	2,709,301	2,655,353	53,948	
2102142	P	Crawford Primary School	496	529	- 33	2,770,178	2,918,410	- 148,232	
2102328	P	Ivydale Primary School	525	529	- 4	2,785,434	2,691,336	94,098	
2102257	P	Goodrich Community Primary School	564	570	- 6	2,855,995	2,837,986	18,009	
2102856	P	Bessemer Grange Primary School	572	587	- 15	3,048,511	2,995,465	53,045	
2102848	P	Phoenix Primary School	597	570	27	3,255,856	3,076,310	179,546	
2102009	P	John Keats Primary School	96	59	37	729,740	432,551	297,189	
2102010	P	St Paul's Church of England Primary School	218	241	- 23	1,271,886	1,377,478	- 105,592	
2102007	P	Galleywall Primary	261	200	61	1,546,271	1,205,705	340,566	
2102001	P	Harris Primary Free School Peckham	289	330	- 41	1,764,365	1,974,810	- 210,446	

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2102857	P	Harris Primary Academy Peckham Park	308	313	- 5	1,753,921	1,762,759	- 8,838	
2102002	P	Judith Kerr Primary School	317	292	25	1,601,353	1,472,705	128,647	
2102008	P	Goose Green Primary and Nursery School	341	355	- 14	1,760,242	1,809,309	- 49,067	
2102169	P	Dulwich Hamlet Junior School	360	359	1	1,738,322	1,717,290	21,032	
2102004	P	Harris Primary Academy East Dulwich	368	311	57	1,824,335	1,548,429	275,906	
2102006	P	The Belham Primary School	385	326	59	2,045,016	1,703,590	341,426	
2102005	P	Angel Oak Academy	395	380	15	2,292,003	2,188,939	103,064	
2105209	P	Surrey Square Primary School	414	418	- 4	2,280,020	2,277,978	2,041	
2102335	P	John Donne Primary School	429	447	- 18	2,357,297	2,424,589	- 67,293	
2102500	P	Redriff Primary School	508	513	- 5	2,716,657	2,714,729	1,928	
2105404	S	Notre Dame Roman Catholic Girls' School	613	617	- 4	4,934,120	4,914,528	19,592	
2104680	S	St Saviour's and St Olave's Church of England School	628	626	2	4,834,729	4,770,645	64,084	
2105402	S	The St Thomas the Apostle College	785	751	34	6,245,931	5,936,456	309,476	
2104006	S	Haberdashers' Aske's Borough Academy	277	104	173	2,213,950	844,530	1,369,420	
2104000	S	Compass School Southwark	398	376	22	3,384,445	3,174,070	210,375	
2106906	S	Harris Academy Peckham	541	505	36	4,630,528	4,167,222	463,306	
2104001	S	Ark All Saints Academy	603	602	1	4,958,777	4,900,051	58,726	
2105405	S	Sacred Heart Catholic School	663	664	- 1	5,130,634	5,085,378	45,256	
2104002	S	University Academy of Engineering South Bank	689	653	36	5,567,302	5,233,141	334,161	
2104003	S	The Charter School East Dulwich	706	525	181	5,144,344	3,731,524	1,412,820	
2105403	S	St Michael's Catholic College	723	702	21	5,627,792	5,398,937	228,856	
2106908	S	Harris Girls' Academy East Dulwich	732	722	10	5,761,466	5,627,631	133,836	
2106913	S	Harris Boys' Academy East Dulwich	734	721	13	5,718,719	5,563,152	155,567	
2106907	S	Harris Academy Bermondsey	800	747	53	6,482,838	6,000,884	481,954	
2104005	S	Bacon's College	866	874	- 8	6,941,125	6,929,461	11,664	
2106909	S	Ark Walworth Academy	888	891	- 3	7,150,739	7,106,045	44,694	
2104318	S	The Charter School North Dulwich	909	910	- 1	6,236,633	6,179,268	57,366	
2106912	S	Ark Globe Academy	1,127	1,106	21	8,287,680	8,053,074	234,606	
2106905	S	City of London Academy (Southwark)	1,168	1,192	- 24	9,243,072	9,331,174	- 88,103	
2104265	S	Kingsdale Foundation School	1,978	1,831	147	13,789,716	12,646,952	1,142,764	
			38,394	38,196	198	249,468,774	243,712,421	5,756,353	

Appendix A

	19-20 £000	20-21 £000	21-22 £000	Comments
<i>Deficit brought forward</i>	11,500	18,378	19,636	ring fenced to DSG per consultation - before any new block transfers over and above exisiting £3.1m in 19-20
Baseline High Needs Spend (note 1)	53,918	54,561	53,572	Net of lagged cumulative savings but adding growth provisions & allowance for non achievement of some savings 20-21 and year after sees no more additional groups being added by extension of 19-25 from September 2014 - therefore to an extent pressures may tail off Demand assumptions a risk and being reviewed to ensure these are fairly stated for current and future years
<i>Draft Recovery Plan Savings Plan</i>				
Early Help	- 107	- 107	-	Achievability of savings highlighted as a risk BRB action plan EDU1 - green RAG 19-20 and Amber 20-21
Residential	- 100	- 175	-	BRB action plan EDU1 - green RAG 19-20 and Amber 20-21
Virtual School	- 49	-	-	BRB action plan EDU1 - green RAG 19-20 and Amber 20-21
NEETS	- 151	- 42	-	BRB action plan EDU1 - green RAG 19-20 and Amber 20-21
Corporate Overhead	- 500	- 500	-	BRB action plan EDU1 - green RAG 19-20 and Amber 20-21
Transport	- 200	- 200	-	BRB action plan EDU5 - green RAG 19-20 and Amber 20-21
Additional measures	-	- 280	- 980	BRB action plan EDU1 - amber RAG 20-21 and Red 21-22
<i>Total Central Retentions</i>	- 1,107	- 1,304	- 980	
Alternative Provision	- 200	-	-	BRB action plan EDU7 - green RAG 19-20
Mainstream Top Ups	- 150	- 500	- 500	BRB action plan EDU3 - amber RAG 19-20 and Red 20-21
Impact of SPA/ Camberwell Free School opening		- -	- 317	BRB action plan EDU9 - red RAG 20-21
Resource Unit Top Ups & Review	-	- 385	- 75	BRB action plan EDU4 - amber RAG 20-21
Special Schools		-		LA withdrew proposal at SF 15/01/20 - £140k saving unachieved
19-25		- -	- 890	BRB action plan EDU10 - red RAG 21-22 still being shaped
Ind/NMSS		- -	- 350	BRB action plan EDU6 - red RAG 21-22 - still being shaped
Ind Other		- -	-	BRB action plan EDU6 - red RAG 21-22 - still being shaped
Total Savings	- 1,457	- 2,189	- 3,112	
Revised High Needs Baseline Spend after Savings	52,461	52,372	50,460	
DSG High Needs Grant (post transfers)	- 45,583	- 51,114	- 51,114	This includes the existing £3.1m block transfer (BRB action plan EDU2 red RAG 20-21 and 21-22) and additional £5.6m in base from 20-21- may be further adjustments (recoup/imp/exp)
In Year Deficit/ - Surplus	6,878	1,258	- 654	The £3.1m agreed by SF on 15/01/20 by still subject to SoS approval to the extend that is above 0.5% of the Schools Block per Based upon 19-20 latest forecast - there may be further upward pressure on demand
Cumulative Deficit	18,378	19,636	18,982	
Additional measures - increased block transfer	-			BRB action plan EDU2 - red RAG 20-21 and red 21-22 -20-21 Agreed by SF (revised amount down from £1.9m) and now with SoS for approval ESFA state that the additional £1.5k will need approval in 2021-22 (as well as the £3.1m), so cannot assume this repeats
Deficit after additional measure if they are agreed by SoS		19,636	18,982	

Notes

Needs to be read in conjunction with July covering report to Schools Forum for assumptions, risks, qualifications and reservations
See also commentary on LA S151 officer letters to SoS and EFA on major risks and concerns
Further years including 2021-22 are still under development