

Oxfordshire County Council
Schools Forum – 22 November 2017
De-delegated Functions – Union Facilities Duties

Settings		Sector		Voting Entitlement (for decision papers only)	
Academies	✓	Foundation Stage		PVI Representative	
Maintained Schools	✓	Primary	✓	16-19 Representative	
PVI Nurseries	✓	Secondary	✓	COTO Representative	
Special Schools	✓	Special	✓	Maintained Primary School Representatives	✓
Local Authority	✓	16+	✓	Academy Primary School Representatives	
Schools Forum		High Needs		Maintained Secondary School Representatives	✓
				Academy Secondary School Representatives	
				Pupil Referral Unit Representative	
				Special School Representatives	
				Nursery Representative	

1. Item for Decision

2. Purpose of Report

This brief paper formally requests Schools Forum members to approve to de-delegate the specific budget for union facilities duties budget for the 2018-19 financial year for maintained primary and secondary school budgets.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Members representing primary and secondary phases on maintained schools of Schools Forum are requested to agree the de-delegation of the union facilities duties budget for the 2018-19.
- 3.2 Schools Forum to, reiterate its earlier recommendation (from paper 5 3 October 2017) to all other schools and academies buy-in to the continuation of the local authority's union facilities agreement. The aim being for these schools and academies to contributing to a 'pool' to share the costs of paying for teaching trade union facilities time and draw on an established wealth of expertise.

4. Current Position and Costs

- 4.1 The current position and costs have been covered in detail in previous specific Forum papers including the administrative procedures to be adopted from 1 April 2018. This paper deals with the formal request for de-delegation of the union facilities duty budget previously agreed in principle at the Forum's meeting of 3 October 2017.

5. Funding and Charging Rate Proposals

- 5.1 Based on the content of previous union administrative papers presented to Forum, the centrally retained budget of £64,400 will be delegated to all schools through the local authority's APT model funding tool for primary and secondary schools and the Early Years and Special schools funding models for nursery and special schools. This funding made through all three funding models will allocate to both maintained and academy settings.
- 5.2 The local authority is seeking permission from Forum to de-delegate the budget from maintained primary and secondary schools. All other settings will be requested to make a similar based contribution (much like a pooling arrangement).
- 5.3 The de-delegation rate, as stated in 3 October 2017, will be £1.12 per full time equivalent (fte) pupil. For all other settings (other than special schools) the rate will also be £1.12 fte pupil. For all these schools settings again other than special schools the pupil population count will be as at census count on 5 October 2017. Special schools contribution at £1.12 per planned place will be based on agreed planned place numbers as at October 2017.
- 5.4 Maintained Schools Forum members eligible to vote in respect of de-delegation
- Primary School Representatives
 - Maureen Thompson
 - Sue Tomkys
 - Brenda Williams
 - Kevin Moyes
 - Kerrie Blaker
 - Secondary School Representative
 - Damian Booth

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