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Hi Carole

Just to update you on the EY provider rate, following the expiration of the call-in period for decisions.

At the Delegated Decision meeting on 13th February, a supplementary paper by the Director of Finance was considered. This paper set out the recommendation of Schools Forum requesting the additional 1p and reducing the contingency further and the response from the Director of Finance.

At the meeting, this paper was discussed and the delegated decision made to confirm the original increase of 1p per hour to the three and four-year-old underlying universal provider rate, increasing this to £4.04 per hour and not to agree the recommendation from Schools Forum.

The supplementary paper included the following sentence “If, after the DSG is confirmed in July 2020, the contingency for 2019-20 is not fully used, Schools Forum will be presented with options to allocate the funding to providers or to fund Early Year priorities if the high pass-through rate to providers has already been met”.

Therefore, if there is capacity in 2019-20 or should there be capacity in the 18-19 outturn position, it may be possible to deliver additional one-off funding in 19-20, thereby recognising Schools Forum opinion, without the increased risk to the LA.

Best wishes

Sarah

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My working pattern is 8-3. I am normally out of the office on Wednesday

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