

SLOUGH SCHOOLS FORUM

SCHOOLS GROUP

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Cllr Puja Bedi, *Lead Member for Education & Children's Services*

MEETING DETAILS

Thursday, 28th November, 2024 at 9.15 am
VIRTUAL MEETING via Zoom

Meeting Link

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AGENDA

Item	Description	Presenter
1.	Apologies	<i>Chair</i>
2.	Notification of Any Other Business	<i>Chair</i>
3.	Declarations of Interest	<i>Chair</i>
4.	Minutes of Previous Meeting (17.10.24)	<i>Chair</i> <i>(Pages 1 - 6)</i>
5.	Schools Forum Membership update	<i>Chair</i> <i>(Pages 7 - 8)</i>
6.	Local and national funding and other updates <i>Verbal update with additional appendices as papers</i>	<i>Dave McNamara/Luisa Hansen</i> <i>(Pages 9 - 32)</i>
7.	DSG 2024/25 – Q2 monitoring report and update	<i>Dave McNamara/Luisa Hansen</i> <i>(Pages 33 - 36)</i>
8.	Growth Fund report <i>Update on 2024/25, confirmation of 2025-26 'top slice' and</i> <i>agreement on allocation criteria</i>	<i>Tony Madden</i> <i>(Pages 37 - 42)</i>
9.	DSG 2025/26 – Provisional settlement – paper TBC** <i>Forum to note and make provisional recommendation on any</i> <i>headroom allocation.</i>	<i>Dave McNamara/Luisa Hansen</i>
10.	2025/26 DSG Block transfer proposals – paper TBC** <i>Forum to consider and make provisional decision subject to</i> <i>consultation</i>	<i>Dave McNamara/Luisa Hansen</i>
11.	2025/26 DSG CSSB Budget – paper TBC** <i>Provisional CSSB budget for Forum consideration</i>	<i>Dave McNamara/Luisa Hansen</i>
12.	2024/25 Forward Agenda Plan	<i>Chair</i> <i>(Pages 43 - 44)</i>
13.	Key Decisions Log	<i>Chair</i> <i>(Pages 45 - 50)</i>
14.	Any Other Business (notified at start of meeting)	<i>Chair</i>

**** Please note that due to the timeline for the DfE publication of the DSG provisional settlement, any papers for items 9, 10 and 11 will be published as part of a supplementary agenda packs. In the absence of written papers, these items will be presented verbally.**

*** Declarations of Interest**

The Chair will ask Members to confirm whether they have any declarable interests in relation to any item on the agenda. All Members who believe they may have such an interest must declare it and may only: (a) remain in the meeting while that matter is discussed at the discretion of the Chair, and (b) speak on the matter by invitation. Examples of declarable interests include: where the outcome of a discussion may provide a personal advantage or avoid disadvantage (pecuniary or non-pecuniary), or where the focus of an agenda item and the likely impact of any outcome is wholly or mainly on a school with which the Member is associated.