

**SLOUGH SCHOOLS' FORUM**  
**6<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Directorate of Children Learning and Skills**

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**Scheme for Financing Schools – Consultation Outcome**

**1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The October Schools' Forum (SF) meeting received proposals to update the current scheme (SfFS) and asked officers to formally consult schools.

This report provides the outcome from the consultation and seeks SF approval to adopt the updated scheme.

**1.2 Background**

The scheme sets out the financial relationship between the authority and the maintained schools it funds. The DfE last reviewed the scheme in December 2015 and this review is to ensure the scheme complies with current statutory DfE guidance.

The revised Scheme for Financing Schools is located on the council website at:

<http://www.slough.gov.uk/downloads/Scheme-for-financing-schools-2017-18.pdf>

**2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 That SF notes the outcome from the consultation and approves the adoption of the revised scheme that accompanies this report.

**3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 DfE rules require the approval of Schools' Forum for changes to the SfFS.

**4 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 4.1 Only one school responded to the consultation and was in agreement with the proposed revisions.

**5 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 5.1 Not applicable.

**6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS**

6.1 Monitoring Officer

The relevant legal provisions are contained within the main body of this report.

6.2 Section 151 Officer – Strategic Director of Resources

The financial implications of the report are outlined in the supporting information.

6.3 Access Implications

There are no access implications.

**7 CONSULTATION**

7.1 All maintained schools.

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