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Outcome of 2015-16 Schools Funding Consultation



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Fairer Schools Funding 2015-16

In July, EFA announced response to Fairer Funding consultation:

- £390m more funding to 'least fairly funded' LAs for 2015-16.
- Schools block unit of funding protected at 2014-15 levels (at least) and now confirmed.
- 'Minimum funding levels' to work out which LAs benefit.
- <u>Not</u> a 'national funding formula'.



Impact on RBWM DSG allocation

Additional £2.5 million in RBWM's Schools Block funding

	2014-15		2015-16		Increase in Schools Block Funding 2015-16	
	SBUF per pupil	Total SB funding	Per pupil	Total SB funding	%	Total
RBWM	£4,325	£77.5m	£4,464	£80.0m	+3.2%	+£2.5m

After CRC adjustment

- Additional Schools Block funding $2015-16 = \pounds 2.482$ million.
- Schools Block Unit of Funding 2015-16 = \pounds 4,456 per pupil.
- Increase of £131 per pupil.



Consultation Proposals 2015-16

	Proposal for allocating funding in 2015-16	£m	%
1	Remove one-off funding from DSG reserves	0.418	17%
2	Increase primary, KS3 and KS4 AWPU rates to MFL	1.451	58%
3	Increase secondary lump sum to MFL	0.016	1%
4	Increase funding targeted through deprivation factors	0.341	14%
	Subtotal of funding delegated to schools	2.226	90%
5	Retain funding for central early years / high needs	0.256	10%
	Total	2.482	100%

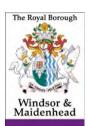
- £1.869m (75%) allocated to <u>all</u> schools.
- £0.357m (15%) allocated to some schools.
- £0.256m (10%) retained.



Impact on AWPU and Lump sum

AWPU	2014-15		Indicative	Change	
	Rate	Weighting	Rate	Weighting	
Primary AWPU	£2,784	1.00	£2,880	1.00	+ £96
KS3 AWPU	£3,862	1.39	£3,950	1.37	+ £88
KS4 AWPU	£4,487	1.61	£4,502	1.56	+ £15

Lump sum	2014-15	MFL	Indicative 2015-16	Change
Primary	£123,738	£115,797	£123,738	-
Middle	£123,738	£119,808	£124,446	+ £708
Secondary	£123,738	£125,155	£125,155	+ £1,417



Deprivation factors

	Pupil units	Primary		Secondary		
		2014-15	Indicative 2015-16	2014-15	Indicative 2015-16	Increase %
FSM6	2,578	£515	£536	£447	£465	4%
IDACI Band 1	2,478	£306	£306	£359	£359	-
IDACI Band 2	1,457	£306	£398	£359	£466	30%
IDACI Bands 3-6	448	£306	£597	£359	£699	95%



Funding rate changes for 2015-16

Formula factors	Prir	nary	Secondary		
	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	
1. Age weighted pupil unit	£2,784	£2,880	KS3 £3,862 KS4 £4,487	KS3 £3,950 K4 £4,502	
2. FSM6	£515	£536	£447	£465	
3. IDACI band 1	£306	£306	£358	£358	
IDACI bands 1	£306	£398	£358	£466	
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4. Children in care	£1,900	£1,900	£1,900	£1,900	
5. Low prior attainment	£1,774	£1,774	£1,504	£1,504	
6. EAL	£323	£988	£323	£988	
7. Lump sum	£123,738	£123,738	£123,738	£125,155	



Consultation responses

Sector	Responses	All schools	%
Maintained primaries	11	40	28%
Maintained middle & secondaries	2	8	25%
Academies	4	10	40%
All schools	17	58	29%



Q1 – funding proposals

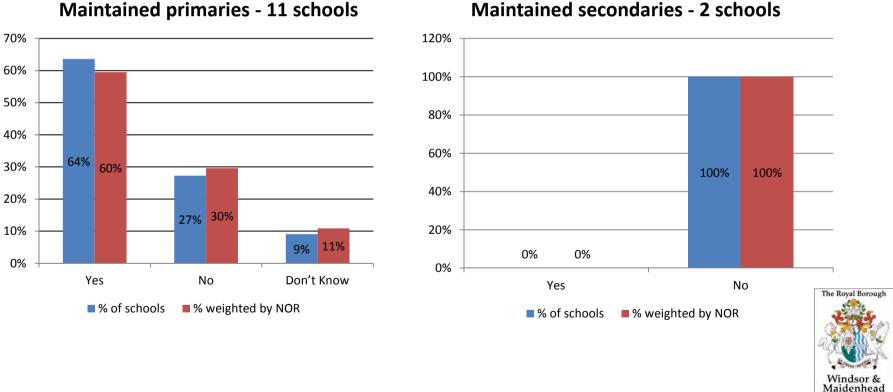
"Please comment on the five proposals for allocating the additional £2.482m DSG in 2015-16"

- Strong support for proposals
- Most schools thought proposals "fair"
- Confusion about whether increases are permanent?
- Some concern among a few schools about proposal to retain £250k centrally
- Disappointment that MFG may erode gains



Q2: De-delegation – school contingency

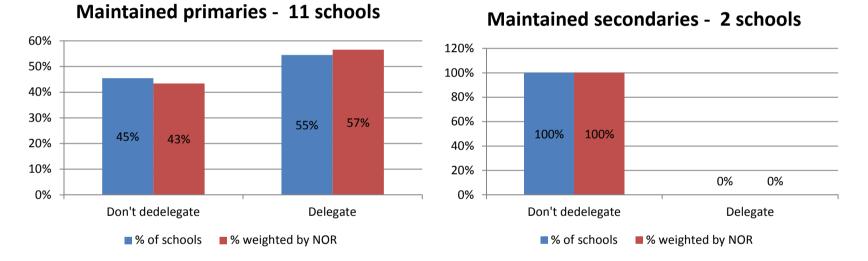
"Do you agree that an increase in the de-delegation amount for the central contingency budget of £4 per pupil is an appropriate increase to ensure the budget is sufficient to meet expected demand?"



Maintained secondaries - 2 schools

Q3: De-delegation – behaviour support

"Would you prefer to use your delegated budget to procure your own behaviour support services, or to continue with the same or an enhanced level of behaviour support service funded through de-delegation?"



Of 6 schools who responded in favour of de-delegation	Schools
Same level of service	3
More of same	1
Enhanced with access to ADHD specialist	2

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Q4: De-delegation – ethnic minority services

"Would you prefer to see ethnic minority services subject to dedelegation or continue as a fully bought back service?"

Sector	De-delegate	Buy-back	Don't know
Maintained primaries	0	8	3
Maintained middle & secondaries	0	2	0
All schools	0	10	3

