

# Derbyshire Schools Forum - Digest of Decisions

Meeting Held – June 30<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 6:00 pm

No.	Item	Decisions of Forum
1	Apologies & Welcome	Cllr Ruth George was welcomed to the meeting and apologies noted
2	Minutes of previous meeting held on 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Agreed. Matters arising - confirmation that top ups for ER, special schools & PRUs had increased for 2021-22 and the Maintained Nursery Schools grant had been confirmed for remainder of 2021-22.
3	LA Maintained Schools Insurance (Presentation & Report)	Agreed to note the potential changes to schools' insurance from May 2022 and to receive further reports in the autumn.
4	DSG Monitoring 2020-21	Agreed to note the report and that the LA's DSG was now in deficit. Agreed to release £50k from the re-pooled reserve for the school improvement service to use to help vulnerable schools.
5	SEN Strategic Update	Noted the work by the Authority to review and improve its SEND provision and use of high needs block resources
6	DSG Financial Overview and Deficit Recovery Plan	Agreed to note the recovery plan to address the DSG deficit and, in particular, the potential consultation with schools in the autumn on a proposed transfer of resources from the school block to the high needs block in 2022-23.
7	Derbyshire Scheme for Financing Schools – Procurement Update	Agreed to amend the Scheme for Financing Schools to increase the maximum threshold before tenders are required from £30,000 to £40,000.
8	Platform for future Forum meetings	<p>Agreed that the October 2021 and June 2022 meetings would be in-person, the December 2021 and January 2022 would be held virtually. The following programme of meetings for 2021/22 was agreed:</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> October 2021 5:00 p.m. – Venue to be confirmed  1<sup>st</sup> December 2021 6:00 p.m. – Virtual meeting  27<sup>th</sup> January 2022 6:00 p.m. – Virtual meeting  29<sup>th</sup> June 2022 5:00 p.m. – Venue to be confirmed</p>

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