

Schools Forum

4 July 2022

DSG Allocation update 2022/23

This report is for information

1. Recommendations:

That Schools Forum members:

- 1.1 To note the contents of the report

2. Purpose

- 2.1 To provide information on the latest Dedicated schools Grant (DSG) allocation for 2022/23.

3. Report Details

- 3.1 The table below sets out the authority's latest DSG allocations for 2022/23. Two updates have been issued since December 2021. The first update was in March 2022 and the second in May 2022.

DSG Allocation 2022/23	Indicative DSG Allocation at December 2021 £m	Indicative Allocation at May 2022 £m	Change in Allocation since December 2021 £m
Schools Block	308.463	317.516	9.053
Central Schools Service Block	2.283	2.283	0
High Needs Block	61.267	63.568	2.301
Early Years Block	23.387	23.387	0
Total DSG	395.400	397.701	11.354

- 3.2 The 2022/23 initial Indicative DSG allocation which was presented to Schools Forum in March 2022 has changed as follows:
- 3.3 The schools block allocation of £308.463m includes £157.827m for academies recoupment which is retained by the ESFA and funding paid direct to academies/Trusts; the remaining amount of £150.636m is for Sandwell maintained schools.
- 3.4 The mainstream schools have been allocated additional funding within the Schools Block of £9.053m via the schools supplementary grant (SSG)
- 3.5 There is also an increase to the High Needs Block (HNB) of £2.301m given as Special supplementary grant.
- 3.6 The December 2022 allocation detailed a HNB recoupment for place deductions amounting to £3.130m. The May 2022 HNB recoupment is now set at £3.412m which is an increase of £0.282m for ESFA directly funded places. The changes in place deduction is broken down as follows:
- An increase of 12 Pre-16 Focus provision places funded at £6,000 amounting to £0.042m in Mainstream Academies from September 2022.
 - A decrease of 2 Post 16 SEN places funded at £4,000 amounting to (£0.008m) in Mainstream Academies from September 2022.
 - A decrease of 12 Pre-16 Focus provision places funded at £10,000 amounting to (£0.070m) in Mainstream Academies from September 2022.
 - An increase of 36 places for Pre-16 SEN places in Special free schools amounting to £0.210m.
 - An increase of 27 places from September 2021 in Further Education and Independent Learning Providers £0.108m.

4. Recommendations

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- 4.1 Note the contents of the report

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