

Area Partnership Collaborated Feedback Report for Pooled Funding

Questions	Phases	Ainslie Wood Primary	Larkwood Primary	Selwyn Primary	Whitehall Primary	Bancroft Primary	Greenleaf Primary	Henry Maynard	Stoneydown Park	Davies Lane Primary	Dawlish Primary	Downsell Primary	George Tomlinson Primary
Area Partnership		North	North	North	North	Central	Central	Central	Central	South	South	South	South
Centrally Retained Functions													
		2 issues with this service - The school still has vacancies in Reception for 13 children even though 3 local schools increased their intake in Sept. 2012. Information incorrect in the reception 2013 intake booklets. Both of these errors have financial implications for the school.		We wish to continue.	Agree	Both the historic and recent levels of service from Admissions has been poor, improvement needed.			Agree	Willing to continue for another year.	Agree that funding be retained centrally.		
Admissions and Appeals service			No comment										
				We wish to continue.	Agree				Agree		Agree that funding be retained centrally		
Servicing Schools Forum		No comment	No comment			No comment				Vital			
				We wish to continue.	Agree				Disagree		Agree that funding be retained centrally		
Termination of Employment Costs		No comment	No comment			No comment				Vital			
				No choice.	Agree				Agree		Agree that funding be retained centrally		
Carbon Reduction Commitment- Allowances		We would like more details about what this involves.	No comment			No comment				No choice			
				In full support until 2015 at least.	Agree				Agree		Agree that funding be retained centrally		
Capital Expenditure Funded from Revenue		No comment	No comment			No comment				In full support until 2015.			
Functions to be De-delegated													
Contingencies Basic		The minimum contingency should be held for this, with any under spend returned to schools. Schools in financial difficulty should not be grouped within this contingency.	No additional pooled funding.	In full support	Agree	Agree to de-delegate and establish a general contingency budget.	What happens to this contingency if not used? Do schools benefit? Could this be used to fund 'unforeseen' costs of RSSO single status?	Yes	Agree	In support - fully relevant	Agree for this to be de-delegated.		
Contingencies -Additional		No additional contingency should be held	No additional contingency to be held centrally.	In full support	The governing body does not agree to this additional sum being de-delegated.				Disagree	In support	Agree to this to be de-delegated		
						Prefer not to de-delegate an additional sum.	No.	No					
Occupational Health		Agree until 2014 for review.	Agreed until 2014, then review.	No, not in support, no impact at the sector so far.	Agree	Continue with existing arrangements until June 2014.		Yes	Agree though need to keep a check on the quality of provision.	No not beneficial to our school.	Agree to this to be de-delegated		
Trade Union Staff costs		No pooled funding.	No pooled funding agreement.	No. should be funded by membership subscription.	The governing body of the school does not agree with the de-delegation of fund for this purpose.	I disagree and would prefer T.U. staff costs not to be de-delegated.	We believe that the cost of union representation should be met from member subscriptions and do not support proposed de-delegation.	No	No	Completely against Must not continue Members pay fees WF office receive 25%	Do not agree for this funding to be de-delegated.		
CENTRAL EXPENDITURE TO BE POOLED FOR 2013-14													
Contribution to Primary and Secondary PRUs	All schools	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Speech and Language Therapy	All schools	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Primary Area Coordinator	Primary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
14-19 Area Board	Secondary	N/A		N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A		Yes	N/A	N/A
School Lunch Grant	All schools participating in the WFC SLA	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes		N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes
Educational Psychology	Primary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Practical Learning	Secondary	N/A		N/A	N/A			N/A	N/A		Yes	N/A	N/A
Strategic Framework Agreement	All			Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Extended School	Primary	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No		No	Yes	Yes	

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		Gwyn Jones Primary	Newport School	The Jenny Hammond Primary	Buxton School	George Mitchell	Lammas School	Leytonstone	Anonymous	Willowfield Humanities College	Secondary Bursars Group
Questions	Phases	South	South	South	South-All Through	South-All Through	Secondary	Secondary	Secondary	Secondary	
Area Partnership											
Centrally Retained Functions											
Admissions and Appeals service			Understand that someone needs to have an overall responsibility/knowledge of the admission of children in WF. This service needs to improve as we lose money when this is not running effectively due to reduction in funding if places not allocated. Also we have not had anyone attend a open evening to give advice and feel this should be happening.	Agree	Agree	Although the service is not as efficient as it should be, it is appropriate that it should be administered centrally.	Agreed, but outcomes of the review of this service still need to be shared with all head teachers.	Agreed	Agreed	This enables the Local Authority to manage on a Borough-Wide basis and liaise with other London Authorities in order to comply with the requirements of the Pan-London Agreement.	Agreed
Servicing Schools Forum			Overall picture needed.	Agree	Agree	It would be difficult for this to be managed other than by the local authority.	Agreed	Agreed	Agreed	Enables schools to voice their opinions on funding formula matters.	Agreed
Termination of Employment Costs			Necessary to safeguard school and the changes that happen.	Agree	Agree	This is necessary to safeguard the school.	Agreed	Would prefer this to be central.	Agreed	Is a known quantity and spreads the load across all schools evenly.	Would prefer this to be central.
Carbon Reduction Commitment- Allowances			This is a legal obligation	Agree	Agree	This is a legal obligation.	Agreed	Money should be devolved to schools. No incentive to reduce energy use, in fact no compensatory saving can be used in calculations when considering energy saving projects.	Not sure this is effectively managed. It would be better if the money came directly to schools.		Money should be devolved to schools. No incentive to reduce energy use, in fact no compensatory saving can be used in calculations when considering energy saving projects.
Capital Expenditure Funded from Revenue			This money is already committed so no further comment	Agree	Agree	This money is already committed.	Agreed		Agreed	Enables Local Authority to support schools looking to expand on a temporary basis pending the completion of the permanent building without erosion of capital funding.	
Functions to be De-delegated											
Contingencies Basic			Feel that more responsibility should be put on schools to manage own budgets	Preferred option	Agree		Agreed with this preferred option.	Agreed		Central funding significantly reduced. It is felt that a contingency is essential in this time of significant change.	Agreed
Contingencies -Additional			Would like to know if this additional sum would support the payment of Single Status as an unforeseen cost.		No		Not this one.	Agreed		Even £600,000 this is significantly lower than previously held. Whilst there should be fewer calls upon contingency; it is felt prudent to make adequate provision rather than be placed in position of having to claw-back overspend in subsequent years.	Agreed
Occupational Health			This service is needed and would cost the school more money if you took up this service independently.	Agree	Agree		Agreed	Concerns about effectiveness of the provider and schools' lack of power, not currently being direct purchaser.		Medigold (new provider) is marked improvement on previous one. Continue with present arrangements until renewal.	Concerns about effectiveness of the provider and schools' lack of power, not currently being direct purchaser.
Trade Union Staff costs		No. I do not agree.	No we feel that individual unions should cover the cost of this.	Should this costs not be met by union subscription fees rather than from school budgets.	Agree but want to negotiate a code of conduct around interactions.		Agreed for one year although £175,000 for 3.1 FTE posts seems quite high.	Secondary schools' view to be conveyed by secondary Headteacher School Forum representatives.		Secondary Headteachers are making a collective response on this item and the Headteacher representatives will convey this at School Forum.	Secondary schools' view to be conveyed by secondary Headteacher School Forum representatives.
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