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NOTICE OF MEETING

SCHOOLS FORUM

Date & Time

Monday, 6 March 2017 at 3.00 p.m.

Venue at

Room 14, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford

Richard Carr
Chief Executive

To: The Chairman and Members of the SCHOOLS FORUM:

School Members:

Ali Brabner, Cranfield Academy
David Brandon-Bravo, Parkfields Middle School
Pete Cohen, Oak Bank School/Academy of Central
Bedfordshire
Paul Burrett, Studham CofE Lower Schools and Pre-
School
Shirley-Anne Crosbie OBE, The Chiltern School
Karen Hayward, Sandy Upper School
Sue Howley MBE, Fairfield Park Lower School
Sharon Ingham, Hadrian Academy
Kim McCamley, Sandye Place Academy
Alexia Moyle, Greenleas Lower School
Leigh Davies, Willow Nursery School
John Street, Etonbury Academy
Stephen Tiktin, Beaudesert Lower School
Rob Watson, Stratton Upper School

Non School Members	Ali Challis, Early Years Private, Voluntary and Independent (PVI) Provider Representative Martin Foster, Trade Union Representative Mary Morris, Catholic Diocese Representative Sarah Mortimer, Post 16 Education Representative
Observer:	Cllr Steven Dixon, Executive Member for Education and Skills
Current Vacancies	Academy Upper School Governor Middle School Headteacher Middle School Governor (maintained or academy) Upper School Governor Academy Lower School (Governor or Headteacher) Church of England Diocese Representative

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AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**

To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitute members.

2. **Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising**

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 January 2017 and to receive an update on any matters arising from these.

3. **Chairman's Announcements and Communications**

To receive announcements from the Chairman and any matters of communication.

Information

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4.	<p>Schools Forum powers and responsibilities To note the Schools Forum power and responsibilities summary document issued by the Education Funding Agency (copy attached).</p>	15 - 20
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5.	<p>Sub-Groups of Schools Forum To receive an update from the Sub-Groups of Schools Forum on work being undertaken.</p>	21 - 22
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Sub Group	Meetings held since last meeting of Forum	Lead Officer	Update report attached
Early Years		Sue Tyler	✓
High Needs		Helen Redding	To follow
Growth Fund	None	Victor Wan	N/A
School Block		Dawn Hill	N/A

6.	<p>Draft response to the High Needs Block consultation To note the draft response to the High Needs Block consultation pending further discussion at the next meeting of the High Needs Technical Sub-Group.</p>	23 - 24
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7.	<p>Draft response to the Schools Block consultation To discuss the draft response to the Schools Block consultation.</p>	25 - 36
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8. **Revised Terms of Reference for the Early Years Block Technical Sub Group** 37 - 38

To note the revised Terms of Reference for the Early Years Block Technical Sub-Group.

9. **Dedicated School Grant Contingency Budgets** 39 - 42

To provide an update on the use of the School Contingency Budgets for 2016/17.

10. **Schools Forum Budget** 43 - 44

To provide an update on the use of the School Forum Budget for 2016/17.

11. **Dedicated Schools Grant** To Follow

To provide an update on the High Needs Block spend in 2016/17 and proposed spend for 2017/18.

Proposals

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| 12. | Growth Fund payments and criteria | 45 - 50 |
| | To seek approval for the Growth Fund Panel to agree standardised rates of payments to schools eligible for growth funding. | |
| 13. | Work Programme | 51 - 52 |
| | To consider the work programme for the Central Bedfordshire Schools Forum. | |
| 14. | Date of Next Meeting | |
| | Monday 12 June 2017, 3pm, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford. | |