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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

### **SCHOOLS FORUM**

Date & Time

**Monday, 20 November 2017 at 3.00 p.m.**

Venue at

**Room 14 - Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford, SG17 5TQ**

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
- Lisa Leonard, The Chiltern School
- Karen Hayward, Sandy Upper School
- Sue Howley MBE, Fairfield Park Lower School
- Alexia Moyle, Greenleas Lower School
- Leigh Davies, Willow Nursery School
- John Street, Etonbury Academy
- Stephen Tiktin, Beaudesert Lower School
- Oliver Button, Queensbury Academy

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 Cllr Ken Ferguson, Chairman of Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee	
Current Vacancies	Primary Academy Representative (Governor, Headteacher or Representative) Church of England Diocese Representative	
Officers	Ms S Griffin	Committee Services Officer
	Mrs S Harrison	Director of Children's Services
	Ms D Hill	Senior Finance Manager – Children's Services
	Mr G Jones	Deputy Director Safeguarding and Early Help
	Mr L Jones	Deputy Director Transformation and Education

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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 18 September 2017 (copy attached) and to receive an update on any matters arising from these.

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

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

**4. Schools Forum powers and responsibilities**

To note the Schools Forum powers and responsibilities summary document issued by the Education Funding Agency (copy attached).

## Information

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5	<b>Sub-Groups of Schools Forum</b> To receive an update from the Sub-Groups of Schools Forum on the work being undertaken.	31 - 34

<b>Sub Group</b>	<b>Meetings held since last meeting of the Forum</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>Update report attached</b>
Early Years		Sue Tyler	N/A
High Needs	17 October	Leo Jones	Attached
Growth Fund	-	Victor Wan	N/A
School Block	-	Dawn Hill	N/A

6	<b>School Admissions Team Funding</b>  To receive an overview of the current funding of the School Admissions Service, associated performance and recommendations for future funding.	35 - 42
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7	<b>Membership of the Schools Forum and Sub-Groups</b>	43 - 50
	To receive an update on the review of the membership of the Schools Forum, terms of office of Members and vacancies and an overview of the current sub-groups, their purpose and remit and the recommendations for review by the Schools Forum Members regarding their future purpose.	
8	<b>Election of Members of the Schools Forum and Sub Groups</b>	
	To consider the membership of the Schools Forum and Sub Groups.	
9	<b>Update on School surplus balances</b>	To Follow
	To receive an update on the 2016/17 Schools surplus balances.	
10	<b>Update on the National Funding Consultation</b>	
	To receive a presentation on the National Funding consultation.	
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	To receive an update on Early Years Block funding including spend/outturn.	
12	<b>High Needs Block - Budget Monitoring and next steps</b>	55 - 60
	To receive an update on the current projected spend against budget for the financial year for the High Needs Block.	
13	<b>Next steps for school funding in England</b>	61 - 62
	To receive information on the Westminster Education Forum Keynote Seminar; Next steps for School Funding in England.	
14	<b>Work Programme</b>	63 - 64
	To consider the work programme for the Central Bedfordshire Schools Forum.	
15	<b>Date of the Next Meeting</b>	
	Monday 29 January 2018, 3pm, Room 15, Priory House, Chicksands	
	2018 provisional meetings dates	
	12 March	
	11 June	
	17 September	
	19 November	