Meeting: Schools Forum

Date: 28 September 2009

Subject: School Forum Budget

Report of: Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Children, Families and

Learning

**Summary:** To update the Schools Forum on the use of the Schools Forum Budget.

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Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

Reason for urgency (if appropriate)

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. To discuss and comment on the position statement as at Period 4 July.

## **Background**

1. Paragraph 13 of the Constitution and Terms of Reference, agreed by the Shadow Executive sets out the following:

'A budget of £10,000 will be available for each financial year for costs associated with the operation of the Forum e.g. venue hire, expenses and clerking costs'. The level of the budget would be reviewed annually.

It was resolved at the School Forum meeting on 2 March 2009 to set a budget for the Schools' Forum for 2009/10 of £5,000.

## **Expenditure to Date**

2. It was resolved at the School Forum meeting on 2 March 2009 that Central Bedfordshire becomes a member of the F40 Group, representing the lowest funded LAs and that £2,000 from the Schools Forum budget be utilised for the annual subscription.

Balance remaining £3,000.