

Meeting: Schools Forum

Date: 23 June 2014

Subject: School Forum Budget

Report of: Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Children's Services

Summary: To provide an update on the use of the School Forum Budget for 2013/14.

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Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To note the School Forum spend for the financial year 2013/14.**

Background

- The School Forum Budget falls under Schedule 2 of The School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2013. 'Classes or descriptions of planned expenditure prescribed for the purposes of the Schools budget of a Local Authority which may be deducted from it to determine the Individual Schools Budget' – 'establishment and maintenance of, and consultation with, Schools Forums'. Any deduction must not exceed the amount deducted for the previous funding period.
- A budget of £3,000 for 2013/14 has been set for costs associated with the operation of the Forum, with the continued membership of the F40 group and £2,000 delegated to the Chairman of the Schools Forum to fund the commissioning of consultancy and administration support. The level of the budget will be reviewed annually.

Expenditure 2013/14

- The following table sets out the expenditure to 31st March 2014.

	BUDGET £	SPEND £	BALANCE £
Budget Allocation 2013/14	3,000		
Venue Hire/Refreshments		(556)	
F40 Subscription		(1,000)	
Total	3,000	(1,556)	1,444

- The balance has been Earmarked and carried forward to 2014/15.

Appendices:
None