

Meeting: Schools Forum

Date: 15 September 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 2014/15.

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Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. To note the School Forum spend to 31 August 2014.

Background

1. 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.
2. A budget of £3,000 for 2014/15 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 2014/15

3. The following table sets out the expenditure to 31 August 2014.

	BUDGET £	SPEND £	BALANCE £
Carry Forward from 2013/14	1,444		
Budget Allocation 2014/15	3,000		
Venue Hire/Refreshments		(11)	
F40 Subscription		(1,000)	
Total	4,444	(1,011)	3,433

Appendices:
None