

Meeting: Schools Forum

Date: 14 March 2016

Subject: School Forum Budget

Report of: Director of Children's Services

Summary: To provide an update on the use of the School Forum Budget for 2015/16.

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Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To note the School Forum spend to 29 February 2016.**

Background

1. The School Forum Budget falls under Schedule 2 of The School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2014. '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 2015/16 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 2015/16

3. The following table sets out the expenditure to 29 February 2016.

	BUDGET £	SPEND £	BALANCE £
Carry Forward from 2014/15	3,316		
Budget Allocation 2015/16	3,000		
F40 Subscription		(1,000)	
General Travel Expenses		(63)	
Total	6,316	(1,063)	5,253

Any balance remaining at year end will be carried forward to 2016/17.

Appendices: None