

Meeting: Schools Forum

Date: 19 September 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 2016/17.

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Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **To note the School Forum spend to 31 August 2016.**

Background

1. The School Forum Budget falls under Schedule 2 of The School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2015. '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 2016/17 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.

Update

3. The following table sets out the expenditure to 31 August 2016:

	BUDGET £	SPEND £	BALANCE £
Carry Forward from 2015/16	5,253		
Budget Allocation 2016/17	3,000		
F40 Subscription		(1,000)	
General and Travel Expenses		(185)	
Training Expenses		(1,450)	
Total	8,253	(2,635)	5,618

4. Any balance remaining at year end will be carried forward to 2017/18.

Appendices: None