

REPORT TO SCHOOLS FORUM

EXCLUSIONS

1. Purpose

- 1.1. To enable Schools Forum to consider the redetermination of school budgets following pupil exclusions.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. Schools Forum members are asked to formally approve the introduction of a budget redetermination policy for school exclusions from September 2019.**

3. Background

- 3.1. The procedure to follow when pupils are excluded from school is covered by the following legislation:
 - The Education (Amount to Follow Permanently Excluded Pupil) Regulations 1999
 - The School Discipline (Pupil Exclusions and Reviews) (England) Regulations 2012
- 3.2. The legislation states that when a pupil is permanently excluded, the local authority has a duty to provide education from the sixth day following exclusion, and to redetermine the budget of both the excluding school, and the admitting school if the pupil is successfully reintegrated elsewhere.

4. Basis of calculation

- 4.1. The amount to be deducted from the budget of the excluding school should be calculated as follows:

$$Y * x \text{ number of weeks remaining in the financial year}^{**} / 52$$

- 4.2. The amount to be added to the budget of the admitting school should be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Amount deducted from the excluding school as calculated above} \times \text{number of weeks remaining in the financial year at the point of admission} / \text{number of weeks remaining at the point of exclusion}$$

- 4.3. Y represents the budget attributable to a pupil of the same age and personal circumstances

4.4. If a pupil is excluded on or after 1st April, and the pupil was due to leave at the end of the summer term, then the number of weeks remaining in the financial year should be replaced with the number remaining in the academic year.

4.5. It is proposed to apply a flat rate for Y, using the pupil-led factors from the 2019/20 local funding formula for schools, as shown in the table below:

Charging 2019/20	Stage	Basic Entitlement	Free School Meals	IDACI (Band A)	Prior Attainment	Final 2019/20 Rates
Years 0-6	Primary	£2,865	£540	£575	£1,022	£5,002
Years 7-9	KS3	£4,249	£1,100	£810	£1,550	£7,709
Years 10-11	KS4	£4,824	£1,100	£810	£1,550	£8,284

4.6. As defined by the regulations, any Pupil Premium attracted by individual pupils will be added to the above total.

4.7. These arrangements will apply to both maintained schools and academies.

4.8. Where pupils are excluded from a Blackburn with Darwen school, and move outside the borough, the Schools and Education finance team will charge the excluding school, and seek to transfer funding to the admitting local authority in accordance with the rates shown in the table above. Where pupils are excluded from a school outside the borough and admitted to a Blackburn with Darwen school, the Schools and Education finance team will increase the budget of the admitting school, obtain the locally agreed rate of the excluding local authority, and charge that authority accordingly.

4.9. Budget redetermination will be carried out on a termly basis.

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