

## Schools Forum Decision Statement

Meeting: Wednesday 14 December 2022

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### 1. Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies received from Mark Vickers (Jo Gillman attending as substitute), Nadine Gooding-Hébert, Alex Pearson, Andrew Read, Clare Clark, Susannah Connell, Jon Duveen, Lesley Birch and Sasha Howard.

Jonathan Culpin Chair of the Forum declared a non-statutory disclosable interest under the Growth Funding section of the Schools Budget Setting report, in that the Local Authority had agreed to provide growth funding for a school for which he was responsible.

Richard Spencer Executive Principal (Secondary) Cambridge Meridian Academies Trust (CMAT) declared a non-statutory disclosable interest under the Growth Funding section of the Schools Budget Setting report.

### 2. Schools Forum Minutes – 4 November 2022

It was resolved:

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4 November 2022 as a correct record.

The action log was noted.

### 3. Schools Budget Setting

It was resolved to:

#### Funding Formula

- a) Schools Forum are asked to note and comment on the updates to the Dedicated Schools Grant following the Autumn Statement.

#### Notional SEN / High Needs Contingency.

- b) Schools Forum are asked to comment on the proposed increases to the % of delegated budget identified as notional SEN.

- c) Schools Forum are asked to comment on the revised option for allocating the available £450k high needs contingency fund in 2022/23.

### ~~Education Functions and De Delegations—Maintained Primary only~~

- d) ~~Maintained Primary School representatives on Schools Forum are asked to approve:~~
- i. ~~the continued retention of £10 per pupil from maintained schools for services specifically provided to maintained schools.~~
  - ii. ~~the continuation of the de-delegation in respect of Contingency.~~
  - iii. ~~the continuation of the de-delegation in respect of Free School Meals Eligibility.~~
  - iv. ~~the continuation of the de-delegation in respect of Maternity and Paternity Cover.~~
  - v. ~~the continuation of the de-delegation in respect of Trade Union Facilities Time.~~

### Growth Funding and New Schools

- e) Schools Forum are asked to approve the proposed changes to the Growth Funding policy and criteria to apply to 2023/24 only.
- f) Schools Forum are asked to note the proposed variations to pupil numbers.

## 4. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

### Notes:

- (a) Statements in larger type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting.

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