CAMBRIDGESHIRE SCHOOLS FORUM

Minutes - Action Log



Introduction:

The Action Log captures the actions arising from meetings of the Cambridgeshire Schools Forum. This is the updated action log as at 9 April 2018:

24.	Early Years National	Sam Surtees	To provide a snapshot of the	Emailed 15.01.18: A	Completed
	Funding Formula		actual costs of providing the	template document has	
			extended entitlement in	been drawn up based	
			different sectors and different	on the information	
			geographical areas (it will not be possible to provide	collected by the DfE when they published	
			comprehensive information in	their findings of the "cost	
			time for the January meeting,	of delivery of childcare"	
			but an update will be brought to	when they were	
			the Forum in March)	formulating the Early	
				Years National Funding	
				Formula. This has been	
				sent to all members of	
				the Early Years Provider Reference Group for	
				completion, which	
				should provide the	
				snapshot of actual costs	
				as the membership	
				represent differing types	
				of provision across	
				differing areas of the	

		county. 21.02.18: Further meetings being held after the publication date for reports for the Forum meeting on 9 March. A verbal update will be provided at the meeting on 9 March. 09.03.18: An update was tabled at the meeting on 9 march 2018 showing the change in hourly rate received by providers between Autumn 2016 and autumn 2017.	
	To provide information on why some settings were managing within the current rates and others felt it was unsustainable. What was being done differently in those settings which were managing best. Was the complexity of the formula preventing settings accessing all of the top-up funding they were eligible to claim. An update based on the autumn figures would be presented when they were available.	Emailed 15.01.18: A working group will bring together the comparative data between funding claims for Autumn Term 2016 and Autumn Term 2017 including both early years funding claims and additional claims made to support children with additional needs in order to determine what factors might be affecting settings across the	Completed

				21.02.18: Further meetings being held after the publication date for reports for the Forum meeting on 9 March. A verbal update will be provided at the meeting on 9 March. 15.03.18: Information emailed to members.	
25.	High Needs Pressures and Actions	Helen Phelan	To provide clarification of the statutory requirements funded from the High Needs Block so that members could be clear about the amount of discretionary funding available.	Emailed 18.01.18: Information on SEND services circulated 18.01.18. Information on the Children's Disability team and Young Adults team to follow in the next few weeks.	On-going
26.	Growth Fund and Falling Rolls Criteria 2018/19	Hazel Belchamber/ Kerry Newson	To look again at the question of establishing a Falling Rolls Fund in the light of the views expressed.	11.01.18: Officers meeting on 25 January to review this issue. An update to follow after that meeting and any follow-up work is completed. 01.03.18: Further discussions being arranged with the Place Planning team.	On-going

	es of the meeting on 19 January		To provide a briefing note on the	20 02 10. A briefing note	Completed
33. Cambridgeshire 2018/19 School Fund Formula	2018/19 School Funding	Jon Lee	To provide a briefing note on the elements which comprise the High Needs funding formula and how the amount allocated to the High Needs Block by central government is calculated.	28.02.18: A briefing note emailed to all members of the Forum.	Completed
		Rosemarie Sadler	To check that the County Council's global email list for secondary school headteachers includes all schools.	28.02.18: The email list has been checked and all secondary schools are included.	Completed
		Richenda Greenhill	To arrange a working group meeting on 7 March 2018 to discuss early years, high needs and basic entitlement.	19.01.18: A calendar invitation sent to all Forum members for 1.00-3.00pm on Wednesday 7 March 2018.	Completed
35.	De-Delegations 2018/19	Rosemarie Sadler	To establish whether advice to schools on the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) from the Council's ICT Service would be provided as a traded service and to advise schools.	22.02.18: The Data Protection Officer role can be provided by the ICT Service at a cost of approximately £1500 for three years. This information has been presented to Governors at the termly briefings and to Primary Heads and School Business Managers.	Completed

Martin Wade	To check with the Council's Human Resources team that the mechanism for making maintained early years and special school providers' contributions to the cost of trade union facility time met the requirements to make these staff eligible to claim facility time.	09.04.18: There is currently a small centrally retained element that covers maintained nursery and special school providers. Going forward, due to changes in overall funding arrangements this will need to be reviewed and alternative mechanisms explored.	Completed
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