

## Cambridgeshire Schools Forum Decision Statement

Meeting: Wednesday 13 December 2023

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

Apologies were received from Clare Clarke.

Jon Culpin, Suzanne Connell, Richard Scott, Adrian Ball, Lesley Birch, Christopher Bennett and Richard Spencer declared an interest in item 3 as their trusts had schools that received growth funding.

### 2. Schools Forum Minutes – 3 November 2023

It was resolved unanimously:

to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 3 November 2023 as a correct record.

### 3. Schools Budget Setting 2024-25 - December 2023

It was resolved unanimously to:

a) approve (Maintained Primary representatives only):

- 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.

b) comment on the proposed approach for Growth and Falling rolls funding.

- c) approve the proposed Growth Funding policy (Appendix 3) and the retained Growth Fund budget of £2m to apply to 2024/25 only.
- d) note the proposed variations to pupil numbers.
- e) vote on the continuation of the historic exceptional premises factor arrangements.

#### 4. Agenda Plan

The agenda plan was noted.