

LONDON BOROUGH OF HAMMERSMITH & FULHAM

Report to: Cabinet

Date: 10/02/2025

Subject: School Budget (Dedicated Schools Grant) 2025/26

Report of: Deputy Leader (responsible for Children and Education), Councillor Alex Sanderson and Cabinet Member for Finance and Reform, Councillor Rowan Ree

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SUMMARY

This report seeks approval of the final proposed 2025/26 schools block allocation and funding to schools through the schools funding formula for the financial year ending 31 March 2026. Hammersmith & Fulham Schools Forum agreed the model for 2025/26 budget shares on 21 January 2025. Due to the timing of the 2024 General Election, it was not possible for Schools Forum to agree a provisional model at the Schools Forum on the 12 November 2024. Instead, they agreed in principle to proposals on funding factors. The Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) require political endorsement of the Schools' Forum decision to agree the 2025/26 budget.

This report covers the budget decisions for the following Hammersmith & Fulham education provision funded from the four blocks of the Dedicated Schools Grant:

- The Schools Block – funding for mainstream primary and secondary schools. Schools block funding of £124.352m has been confirmed for Hammersmith & Fulham for 2025/26 by The Department of Education (DfE). This represents a 1.72% increase per pupil compared to a 2.33% increase nationally.
 - The Central Services Schools Block Budget – £1.939m funding in 2025/26 to meet the statutory education functions of the local authority and historic central funding commitments.
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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Schools Block Budget 2025/26 Financial Year:
 - a. To approve the Local Authority formula for allocating resources to Hammersmith & Fulham schools for 2025/26 as set out in Appendix 1 the Authority Proforma Tool (APT) for setting school budgets.

- b. To approve the National Funding Formula (NFF) funding formula factor rates (as set out in Appendix 1) as the basis for calculating the 2025/26 schools funding formula, together with a minus 0.25% per pupil Minimum Funding Guarantee (MFG) protection for individual schools versus 2024/25 levels with respect to pupil led funding. Minus 0.25% represents the affordable protection achievable within the grant funding allocation confirmed.
 - c. To approve the transfer of £1.23m being 1.0% of the total schools' block allocation from the schools' block to the high needs block in the 2025/26 financial year. This is to support high needs education expenditure for special educational needs in Hammersmith and Fulham. This is subject to Ministerial agreement from the Department of Education which is expected in February 2025.
 - d. If the 1% block transfer is rejected by the Minister of State in February 2025, to approve the budget allocation as per the alternative model as set out in Appendix 2 with a reduced 0.5% block transfer to High Needs.
 - e. To approve de-delegation budgets of £0.555m for maintained mainstream schools only as confirmed by Schools Forum on 21 January 2025.
 - f. To approve the education functions budgets of £0.289m for maintained mainstream schools only, as confirmed by Schools Forum on 21 January 2025.
2. Central Services Schools Block Budget 2025/26.
- a. To approve the proposed budget allocation for Central Services Schools Block DSG totalling £1.939m.

Wards Affected: All

| Our Values | Summary of how this report aligns to the H&F Corporate Plan and the H&F Values |
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| Building shared prosperity | The allocation of funding to local schools who are employers within the borough. |
| Creating a compassionate and inclusive council | Enables pupils within the borough to receive a good quality education. |
| Doing things with local residents, not to them | Providing educational opportunities for all pupils within the borough. |
| Being ruthlessly financially efficient | Contributes to a level of financial stability for schools. The high needs block transfer enables this support to |

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| | schools to continue and helps to reduce the high needs budget pressure. |
| Taking pride in H&F | Ensures continuing good quality provision in the borough's schools enabling pupils to take pride in their school and the borough. |
| Rising to the challenge of the climate and ecological emergency | Assists with the delivery of climate Education to young people within the borough. |

Financial Impact

Schools Block Budget

This report covers the allocation of the funding for all mainstream schools in Hammersmith & Fulham for education between reception and year 11 for the period April 2025 to March 2026. The basis for the distribution of funds within the Schools Block of the Dedicated Schools Grant across all schools is in line with the regulated range of allowable variables in the grant conditions as determined by the National Funding Formula for Schools and Schools revenue funding 2025 to 2026 Operational Guidance.

Other than the proposed transfer between blocks the remaining funds are distributed to individual schools in line with their individual characteristics and with regard to the National Funding Formula.

De-delegated budgets are budgets managed for schools centrally by the local authority on their behalf.

Funding for education functions is to meet the cost of providing statutory education functions on behalf of maintained schools and in line with the education funding regulations.

Central Services Schools Block (CSSB)

The core funding relates to the statutory services provided for all schools. The historic element of CSSB funding has reduced by £0.232m in the year to 2025/26. The decrease has been met by savings on historic CSSB.

The core funding is expected has reduced by 1.54% per the provisional allocations. This is expected to reduce further once the final allocation is confirmed due to the expected fall in pupil numbers per the October 2024 census data.

A balanced budget has been proposed for 2025/26 which includes a planned contribution to support High Needs Block expenditure on the education for children and young people with special educational needs.

The Education and Skills Funding Agency will confirm further block funding reductions from 2026/27 in the new financial year. The Education Department is exploring budget options for 2026/26 to mitigate expected further block reductions and potential impact on core services.

*Tony Burton, Head of Finance Children's Services and Education, 19 December 2024
Verified by Sukvinder Kalsi, Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Services, 28
January 2025*

Legal Implications

The Dedicated Schools Grant is payable to local authorities under section 14 of the Education Act 2002. It is a 'ring fenced grant' that is to say it must be solely spent on the grant conditions and guidance has been prepared by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) to assist local authorities in the operation of the dedicated schools grant (DSG). Each year new regulations are issued as they only cover one year the current being School and Early Years Finance and Childcare (Provision of Information About Young Children) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 These Regulations provide that Local Authorities must consult their Schools Forum and schools maintained by them when determining the school funding formula. Cabinet is the decision-making body for the schools funding formula and must consider the outcome of the consultation and take that into consideration when making a decision on whether to adopt the NFF, as per Schools Forum's recommendation. Although not duty bound to follow the recommendation of Schools Forum following the consultation, if Cabinet departs from the recommendation clear reasons must be given.

Jade Monroe, Chief Solicitor Social Care, 11 December 2024

Background Papers Used in Preparing This Report

Schools Forum Papers and draft minutes:

- Schools Forum 13 November 2024 including disapplication Proforma for Block Movement to High Needs
 - [Agenda for Schools Forum on Tuesday, 12th November, 2024, 2.00 pm | London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham](#)
- Schools Forum 21 January 2025 – Final Budget and Decision
 - [Agenda for Schools Forum on Tuesday, 21st January, 2025, 2.00 pm | London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham](#) - see Item 3
- Schools revenue funding 2025 to 2026 Operational Guide
 - [Schools operational guide: 2025 to 2026 - GOV.UK](#)

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Proposals and Analysis of Options

Schools Block

1. The recommended model of distribution of the Schools Block of the Dedicated Schools Grant through the Authority Proforma Tool was agreed by Schools Forum on 21 January 2025 as below and per the detailed funding factor rates and values in Appendix 1.

2. The agreed model aims to provide stability to schools in 2025/26 by ensuring that schools receive the maximum MFG (minimum funding guarantee) that is affordable with national funding formula rates for 2025/26 financial year. Following the release of the final schools block funding allocation, this is minus 0.25% on a per pupil basis for pupil led funding. This ensures the full schools block allocation is distributed to schools.
3. Schools Forum agreed on the 12 November 2024 to the following principles pending the December 2024 release of the 2025/26 national funding formula (NFF) allocations:
 - Firstly, increase the Minimum Funding Guarantee up to the maximum allowed subject to affordability within the final allocations. This will ensure all schools benefit from a minimum increase in funding levels in pupil led funding year on year.
 - Secondly increase factor rates uniformly above national funding formula rates after inner London Area cost Adjustment (subject to affordability within the final funding allocation). This ensures that schools receive funding according to the NFF and mirroring the NFF as is required by grant regulations.
4. The national uplift in schools funding for 2025/26 provides a challenge for Schools given inflation levels in the economy and the impact on pay and non-pay inflation experienced during the 2024/25 financial year. The DfE announced in October 2024 that an additional £1.3 billion nationally will cover the remaining costs of the 2024 teacher's pay award in mainstream schools so that the full 12 months of salary costs are fully funded at national level, an increase to mainstream schools NFF, increases to the pupil premium and other elements of core funding.
5. In addition, the DfE anticipates that further funding will be provided for the increase in National Insurance contributions announced in the November 2024 budget statement. This will be a separate grant outside of the NFF.
6. The consultation for the 2025/26 schools block budget was launched on 19th November 2024. The consultation ended on the 3rd December 2024. An update was provided to Schools Forum in January 2025 on the consultation responses from schools and in with respect to responses on the proposed Schools to High Needs block transfer of 1%.
7. A transfer to support the High Needs Block of £1.23m or 1.0% of the Schools Block has been agreed with Schools Forum and will be used to mitigate funding pressures in the high needs budget in 2025/26. As the block movement proposed is greater than 0.5% it requires agreement of the Department for Education Safety Valve Team and the Minister of State for Education. If the proposal isn't agreed by the Department for Education, a 0.5% transfer or £0.615m will be made in line with the operational guidance which allows this with Schools Forum agreement.
8. De-delegation budgets of £0.555m for maintained mainstream schools have been agreed at Schools Forum on 21st January 2025. These are budgets that maintained primary schools agree to delegate to the local authority to manage and spend.

9. Education functions budgets of £0.289m were also agreed at Forum on 21st January 2025. These budgets are set with reference to DfE schools funding guidance to meet the cost of meeting the local authorities retained education functions with respect to maintained mainstream schools.

Central Services Schools Block

10. In 2025/26 there is no change to the arrangements for Central Schools Services Block (CSSB) of the DSG. The CSSB allocation for 2025/26 provides funding for:
- The retained duties element of the Education Services Grant (ESG) for all schools
 - Ongoing central statutory functions – for example Admissions – for maintained schools
 - Ongoing historic commitments.
11. DfE funding allocations indicate a reduction in core funding of 1.54% for Hammersmith and Fulham compared to the maximum of 2.5% nationally.
12. For historic commitments there will be a further reduction to this element of funding for all local authorities receiving it. For Hammersmith & Fulham this equates to a further 20% reduction in grant of £0.232m in 2025/26 versus 2024/25 (a circa £2.419m reduction since 2019/20).
13. The CSSB budget for 2025/26 is presented below and was recommended to Schools Forum on 21st January 2025.

Central Services Planned Expenditure 2025/26

| Area of Expenditure | 2025/26 Proposed |
|--|---------------------|
| | £m |
| Copyright Licensing (Estimated) | 0.146 |
| Asset Management, Place Planning and Strategic Operations | 0.197 |
| Management, Support, Finance/Business Intelligence and SACRE | 0.654 |
| Virtual School | 0.106 |
| Admissions and ACE | 0.593 |
| Time limited support to High Needs Block expenditure | 0.243 |
| Total Spend/Funding | 1.939 |

Reasons for Decision

14. Schools' budget shares from the schools' block of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) are agreed annually according to the process and regulations set out by the Education and Schools Funding Agency (ESFA).

15. Schools Forum and the Local Authority must approve the basis for the allocation to schools. Hammersmith & Fulham Schools Forum agreed the budget model proposed at a meeting on 21 January 2025.

Equality Implications

16. There are no direct negative equality implications for groups with protected characteristics, under the Equality Act 2010, by the approval of these funding proposals set out in the Recommendations.
17. Officers anticipate a neutral impact as the funding model outlined in this report is determined by the National Funding Formula for mainstream schools. The proposals around Minimum Funding Guarantee intend to ensure that all schools receive a minimum level of funding increase on a per pupil basis versus 2023/24 financial year.

Risk Management Implications

18. The council continues to experience growing pressures on the High Needs budget as a result of demographic growth, government policy changes and the continuing impact of the government's austerity. In addition, there will be further pressure from pay and non-pay inflation. Ensuring that resources available to schools are appropriately allocated supports the delivery of the council's corporate priorities to ensure that children and young people will receive a great start in life and that schools will be amongst the best in the country, with enough places for all and with all children achieving the best that they can.

Jules Binney, Risk and Assurance Manager. 10 December 2024

Climate and Ecological Emergency Implications

19. This report covers are the revenue budgets for schools and education in Hammersmith and Fulham rather than the maintenance or capital programme on the school's estate. There is no expectation from the DfE that these budgets are used by education providers for anything other than minor revenue maintenance.

The local authority holds the budget for the school's capital investment as this is not delegated to schools and subject to separate decisions as part of the medium-term capital strategy.

Approved by Hinesh Mehta, Assistant Director Climate Change, 03 December 2024

Consultation

20. The local authority consulted with the wider schools' community in November 2024 with respect to the distribution principles for the schools block budget allocation.

A further budget briefing was held in the week commencing 6th January 2025 including details of the final recommended proposals and the updated final funding notified by the ESFA in December 2024, prior to Schools Forum on the 21 January 2025.

21. Hammersmith & Fulham Schools Forum agreed the proposed 2024/25 schools block budget shares on 21 January 2025.

LIST OF APPENDICES

Appendix 1, the recommended 2025/26 Authority Proforma Tool (APT) for setting school budgets on the assumption of approval of the disapplication to transfer 1% schools to high needs block.

Appendix 2, the alternative 2025/26 Authority Proforma Tool (APT) for setting school budgets to transfer 0.5% schools to high needs block.

Appendix 1 – Recommended Authority Proforma Tool 2025/26 – Proposed Schools Block Budget Model and Factor Rates – at 1% Transfer to High Need Block

Local Authority Funding Reform Proforma

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|------------|------------------------|
| LA Name: | Hammersmith and Fulham |
| LA Number: | 205 |

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|---|--|--|---|--|
| Primary minimum per pupil funding level | Secondary (KS3 only) minimum per pupil funding level | Secondary (KS4 only) minimum per pupil funding level | Secondary minimum per pupil funding level | Disapplication number where alternative MPPL values are used |
| £4,955.00 | £6,221.00 | £6,831.00 | £6,465.00 | |

Pupil Led Factors

| 1) Basic Entitlement Age Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU) | Reception uplift | No | Pupil Units | | 0.00 | | | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Description | Amount per pupil | | Pupil Units | | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Notional SEN (%) | |
| | Primary (Years R-6) | £4,556.46 | | 8,331.00 | | £37,959,868 | £87,260,431 | 31.42% | 2.95% | |
| | Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9) | £6,421.93 | | 4,316.00 | | £27,717,050 | | 22.94% | 2.53% | |
| | Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11) | £7,240.36 | | 2,981.00 | | £21,583,513 | | 17.86% | 2.53% | |
| 2) Deprivation | Description | Primary amount per pupil | Secondary amount per pupil | Eligible proportion of primary NOR | Eligible proportion of secondary NOR | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Primary Notional SEN (%) | Secondary Notional SEN (%) |
| | FSM | £586.29 | £586.29 | 2,555.00 | 2,117.00 | £2,739,137 | £15,704,700 | 13.00% | 18.41% | 26.40% |
| | FSM6 | £1,255.49 | £1,841.77 | 2,671.00 | 2,537.00 | £8,025,979 | | | 18.41% | 26.40% |
| | IDACI Band F | £278.34 | £402.70 | 989.47 | 776.32 | £588,033 | | | 7.00% | 8.90% |
| | IDACI Band E | £337.56 | £532.99 | 1,599.03 | 1,287.56 | £1,226,024 | | | 11.10% | 15.40% |
| | IDACI Band D | £527.07 | £752.11 | 825.51 | 664.22 | £934,663 | | | 27.00% | 33.00% |
| | IDACI Band C | £580.37 | £823.17 | 903.44 | 838.23 | £1,214,328 | | | 31.40% | 35.40% |
| | IDACI Band B | £615.90 | £882.39 | 520.23 | 539.20 | £796,194 | | | 1.00% | 1.00% |
| | IDACI Band A | £811.33 | £1,125.20 | 89.04 | 96.07 | £180,341 | | | 1.00% | 1.00% |
| 3) English as an Additional Language (EAL) | Description | Primary amount per pupil | Secondary amount per pupil | Eligible proportion of primary NOR | Eligible proportion of secondary NOR | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Primary Notional SEN (%) | Secondary Notional SEN (%) |
| | EAL 3 Primary | £704.73 | | 2,214.28 | | £1,560,469 | £2,725,911 | 1.99% | 100.00% | |
| | EAL 3 Secondary | | £1,889.15 | | 447.13 | £844,702 | | | | 100.00% |
| 4) Mobility | Pupils starting school outside of normal entry dates | £1,142.97 | £1,640.42 | 194.56 | 59.96 | £320,740 | | 0.27% | 100.00% | 100.00% |

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| | Description | Weighting | Amount per pupil (primary or secondary respectively) | Percentage of eligible pupils | Eligible proportion of primary and secondary NOR respectively | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Primary Notional SEN (%) | Secondary Notional SEN (%) | |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|--|-------------------------------|---|------------|------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| 5) Low prior attainment | Primary low prior attainment | | £1,391.69 | 29.95% | 2,495.17 | £3,472,517 | £5,635,531 | 4.66% | 100.00% | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 7) | 57.71% | £2,114.19 | 14.14% | 1,023.09 | £2,163,014 | | | | | 100.00% |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 8) | 55.77% | | 13.94% | | | | | | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 9) | 54.47% | | 14.07% | | | | | | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 10) | 54.47% | | 14.19% | | | | | | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 11) | 64.53% | | 13.78% | | | | | | | |

Other Factors

| Factor | Lump Sum per Primary School (£) | Lump Sum per Secondary School (£) | Lump Sum per Middle School (£) | Lump Sum per All-through School (£) | Total (£) | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Notional SEN (%) | |
|--|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|--|------------------|--|
| 6) Lump Sum | £171,859.34 | £171,859.34 | | | £8,077,389 | 6.68% | 0.00% 0.00% | |
| 7) Sparsity factor | £67,985.71 | £98,780.63 | £98,780.63 | £98,780.63 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% | |
| Rows 45 to 48 are populated with the NFF methodology, please leave this as is if you wish to follow the NFF. As per the Operational Guidance, the distance thresholds can be increased or the year group size thresholds decreased and the distance threshold taper is optional. An alternative method of allocation to the NFF's average year group size taper can be chosen: the continuous taper (Tapered) or fixed sum (Fixed). Examples of each are provided in the Operational Guidance. | | | | | | | | |
| Primary distance threshold (miles) | 2.00 | Primary pupil number average year group threshold | 21.40 | Apply primary distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity primary lump sum? | NFF | |
| Secondary distance threshold (miles) | 3.00 | Secondary pupil number average year group threshold | 120.00 | Apply secondary distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity secondary lump sum? | NFF | |
| Middle schools distance threshold (miles) | 2.00 | Middle school pupil number average year group threshold | 69.20 | Apply middle school distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity middle school lump sum? | NFF | |
| All-through schools distance threshold (miles) | 2.00 | All-through pupil number average year group threshold | 62.50 | Apply all-through distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity all-through lump sum? | NFF | |
| 8) Fringe Payments | | | | Fringe multiplier | 1.0000 | £0 | 0.00% | |
| 9) Split Sites | Basic eligibility funding | £63,958.68 | | Distance funding rate | £31,979.34 | £67,387 | 0.06% | |
| 10) Rates | | | | | | £1,357,589 | 1.12% | |
| 11) PFI funding | | | | | | £0 | 0.00% | |

Appendix 1 – Recommended Authority Proforma Tool 2025/26 – Proposed Schools Block Budget Model and Factor Rates – at 1% Transfer to High Need Block

| 12) Exceptional circumstances (can only be used with prior agreement of ESFA) | | | | |
|---|-----------|---|------------------|-------|
| Circumstance | Total (£) | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Notional SEN (%) | |
| Additional lump sum for schools amalgamated during FY24-25 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Additional sparsity lump sum for small schools | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| Exceptional Circumstance3 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| Exceptional Circumstance4 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| Exceptional Circumstance5 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| Exceptional Circumstance6 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| Exceptional Circumstance7 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | |

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| Total Funding for Schools Block Formula (excluding minimum per pupil funding level and MFG Funding Total) | £120,828,938 | 100.00% | |
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| 13) Additional funding to meet minimum per pupil funding level | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total Funding for Schools Block Formula (excluding MFG Funding Total) | £120,828,938 | 100.00% | |

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|--|----------------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------|---|--------|
| 14) Minimum Funding Guarantee | | -0.25% | | £2,292,809 | | |
| Where a value less than -0.5% or greater than 0% has been entered please provide the disapplication reference number authorising the value | | | | | | |
| Apply capping and scaling factors? (gains may be capped above a specific ceiling and/or scaled) | | | | | No | |
| Capping Factor (%) | | Scaling Factor (%) | | | | |
| Total deduction if capping and scaling factors are applied | | | | | £0 | |
| | | Total (£) | Proportion of Total funding(%) | Notional SEN (%) | | |
| MFG Net Total Funding (MFG + deduction from capping and scaling) | | £2,292,809 | 1.86% | 0.00% | | |
| Total Funding for Schools Block Formula | | £123,121,747 | | £14,096,626 | | |
| Notional SEN | Top-up - proportion of NOR | 4.02% | SEN support plus EHCP minus Top-up - proportion of NOR | 13.54% | Notional SEN funding per eligible pupil | £4,882 |

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| High Needs threshold (only fill in if, exceptionally, a high needs threshold different from £6,000 has been approved) | | | |
| Additional funding from the high needs budget | | | |
| Growth fund (if applicable) | | | |
| Falling rolls fund (if applicable) | | | |
| Other Adjustment to 24-25 Budget Shares | | £0 | |
| Total Funding For Schools Block Formula (including growth and falling rolls funding) | | £123,121,747 | |
| % Distributed through Basic Entitlement | | 72.22% | |
| % Pupil Led Funding | | 92.14% | |
| Primary: Secondary Ratio | 1: | 1.26 | |
| 25-26 NFF NDR allocation, excluding prior year adjustments | | £1,357,589 | |
| Total Funding For Schools Block Formula (including growth and falling rolls funding) after deduction of 25-26 NFF NDR allocation | | £121,764,158 | |

Appendix 2 – Alternative Authority Proforma Tool 2025/26 – Proposed Schools Block Budget Model and Factor Rates at 0.5% Transfer to High Needs Bock

Local Authority Funding Reform Proforma

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| LA Name: | Hammersmith and Fulham |
| LA Number: | 205 |

| Primary minimum per pupil funding level | Secondary (KS3 only) minimum per pupil funding level | Secondary (KS4 only) minimum per pupil funding level | Secondary minimum per pupil funding level | Disapplication number where alternative MPPL values are used |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| £4,955.00 | £6,221.00 | £6,831.00 | £6,465.00 | |

Pupil Led Factors

| 1) Basic Entitlement Age Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU) | Reception uplift | No | Pupil Units | | 0.00 | | | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Description | Amount per pupil | | Pupil Units | | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Notional SEN (%) | |
| | Primary (Years R-6) | £4,619.11 | | 8,331.00 | | £38,481,816 | £88,460,262 | 31.42% | 2.95% | |
| | Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9) | £6,510.23 | | 4,316.00 | | £28,098,159 | | 22.94% | 2.53% | |
| | Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11) | £7,339.91 | | 2,981.00 | | £21,880,286 | | 17.87% | 2.53% | |
| | Description | Primary amount per pupil | Secondary amount per pupil | Eligible proportion of primary NOR | Eligible proportion of secondary NOR | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Primary Notional SEN (%) | Secondary Notional SEN (%) |
| 2) Deprivation | FSM | £594.35 | £594.35 | 2,555.00 | 2,117.00 | £2,776,800 | £15,920,639 | 13.00% | 18.41% | 26.40% |
| | FSM6 | £1,272.75 | £1,867.10 | 2,671.00 | 2,537.00 | £8,136,337 | | | 18.41% | 26.40% |
| | IDACI Band F | £282.17 | £408.24 | 989.47 | 776.32 | £596,119 | | | 7.00% | 8.90% |
| | IDACI Band E | £342.20 | £540.32 | 1,599.03 | 1,287.56 | £1,242,882 | | | 11.10% | 15.40% |
| | IDACI Band D | £534.31 | £762.45 | 825.51 | 664.22 | £947,514 | | | 27.00% | 33.00% |
| | IDACI Band C | £588.35 | £834.49 | 903.44 | 838.23 | £1,231,025 | | | 31.40% | 35.40% |
| | IDACI Band B | £624.37 | £894.53 | 520.23 | 539.20 | £807,142 | | | 1.00% | 1.00% |
| | IDACI Band A | £822.48 | £1,140.67 | 89.04 | 96.07 | £182,821 | | | 1.00% | 1.00% |
| | Description | Primary amount per pupil | Secondary amount per pupil | Eligible proportion of primary NOR | Eligible proportion of secondary NOR | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Primary Notional SEN (%) | Secondary Notional SEN (%) |
| 3) English as an Additional Language (EAL) | EAL 3 Primary | £714.42 | | 2,214.28 | | £1,581,926 | £2,763,392 | 1.99% | 100.00% | |
| | EAL 3 Secondary | | £1,915.13 | | 447.13 | £856,317 | | | | 100.00% |
| 4) Mobility | Pupils starting school outside of normal entry dates | £1,158.68 | £1,662.98 | 194.56 | 59.96 | £325,150 | | 0.27% | 100.00% | 100.00% |

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| | Description | Weighting | Amount per pupil (primary or secondary respectively) | Percentage of eligible pupils | Eligible proportion of primary and secondary NOR respectively | Sub Total | Total | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Primary Notional SEN (%) | Secondary Notional SEN (%) | |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|--|-------------------------------|---|------------|------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| 5) Low prior attainment | Primary low prior attainment | | £1,410.83 | 29.95% | 2,495.17 | £3,520,264 | £5,713,020 | 4.66% | 100.00% | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 7) | 57.71% | £2,143.26 | 14.14% | 1,023.09 | £2,192,756 | | | | | 100.00% |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 8) | 55.77% | | 13.94% | | | | | | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 9) | 54.47% | | 14.07% | | | | | | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 10) | 54.47% | | 14.19% | | | | | | | |
| | Secondary low prior attainment (year 11) | 64.53% | | 13.78% | | | | | | | |

Other Factors

| Factor | Lump Sum per Primary School (£) | Lump Sum per Secondary School (£) | Lump Sum per Middle School (£) | Lump Sum per All-through School (£) | Total (£) | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Notional SEN (%) | | |
|--|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|--|------------------|-------|--|
| 6) Lump Sum | £174,222.41 | £174,222.41 | | | £8,188,453 | 6.69% | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| 7) Sparsity factor | £68,920.51 | £100,138.86 | £100,138.86 | £100,138.86 | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | |
| Rows 45 to 48 are populated with the NFF methodology, please leave this as is if you wish to follow the NFF. As per the Operational Guidance, the distance thresholds can be increased or the year group size thresholds decreased and the distance threshold taper is optional. An alternative method of allocation to the NFF's average year group size taper can be chosen: the continuous taper (Tapered) or fixed sum (Fixed). Examples of each are provided in the Operational Guidance. | | | | | | | | | |
| Primary distance threshold (miles) | 2.00 | Primary pupil number average year group threshold | 21.40 | Apply primary distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity primary lump sum? | NFF | | |
| Secondary distance threshold (miles) | 3.00 | Secondary pupil number average year group threshold | 120.00 | Apply secondary distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity secondary lump sum? | NFF | | |
| Middle schools distance threshold (miles) | 2.00 | Middle school pupil number average year group threshold | 69.20 | Apply middle school distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity middle school lump sum? | NFF | | |
| All-through schools distance threshold (miles) | 2.00 | All-through pupil number average year group threshold | 62.50 | Apply all-through distance taper | Yes | NFF, tapered or fixed sparsity all-through lump sum? | NFF | | |
| 8) Fringe Payments | | | | Fringe multiplier | 1.0000 | £0 | 0.00% | | |
| 9) Split Sites | | Basic eligibility funding | £64,838.11 | Distance funding rate | £32,419.06 | £68,313 | 0.06% | 0.00% | |
| 10) Rates | | | | | | £1,357,589 | 1.11% | 0.00% | |
| 11) PFI funding | | | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% | |

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| 12) Exceptional circumstances (can only be used with prior agreement of ESFA) | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Circumstance | | | | Total (£) | Proportion of total pre MFG funding (%) | Notional SEN (%) |
| Additional lump sum for schools amalgamated during FY24-25 | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% 0.00% |
| Additional sparsity lump sum for small schools | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Exceptional Circumstance3 | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Exceptional Circumstance4 | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Exceptional Circumstance5 | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Exceptional Circumstance6 | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Exceptional Circumstance7 | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total Funding for Schools Block Formula (excluding minimum per pupil funding level and MFG Funding Total) | | | | £122,471,669 | 100.00% | |
| 13) Additional funding to meet minimum per pupil funding level | | | | £0 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Total Funding for Schools Block Formula (excluding MFG Funding Total) | | | | £122,471,669 | 100.00% | |
| 14) Minimum Funding Guarantee | | | 0.00% | £1,264,924 | | |
| Where a value less than -0.5% or greater than 0% has been entered please provide the disapplication reference number authorising the value | | | | | | |
| Apply capping and scaling factors? (gains may be capped above a specific ceiling and/or scaled) | | | | No | | |
| Capping Factor (%) | | Scaling Factor (%) | | | | |
| Total deduction if capping and scaling factors are applied | | | | £0 | | |
| | | | | Total (£) | Proportion of Total funding(%) | Notional SEN (%) |
| MFG Net Total Funding (MFG + deduction from capping and scaling) | | | | £1,264,924 | 1.02% | 0.00% |
| Total Funding for Schools Block Formula | | | | £123,736,594 | | £14,290,455 |
| Notional SEN | Top-up - proportion of NOR | 4.02% | SEN support plus EHCP minus Top-up - proportion of NOR | 13.54% | Notional SEN funding per eligible pupil | |
| | | | | | £4,974 | |

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| High Needs threshold (only fill in if, exceptionally, a high needs threshold different from £6,000 has been approved) | | |
| Additional funding from the high needs budget | | |
| Growth fund (if applicable) | | |
| Falling rolls fund (if applicable) | | |
| Other Adjustment to 24-25 Budget Shares | £0 | |
| Total Funding For Schools Block Formula (including growth and falling rolls funding) | £123,736,594 | |
| % Distributed through Basic Entitlement | 72.23% | |
| % Pupil Led Funding | 92.15% | |
| Primary: Secondary Ratio | 1 : | 1.26 |
| 25-26 NFF NDR allocation, excluding prior year adjustments | £1,357,589 | |
| Total Funding For Schools Block Formula (including growth and falling rolls funding) after deduction of 25-26 NFF NDR allocation | £122,379,004 | |

Report Ends