

REPORT TO: School Forum
DATE: 23rd June 2014
REPORTING OFFICER: Senior Finance Officer, Financial Management Division
SUBJECT: Dedicated Schools Grant Outturn 2013-14

1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To report to the School Forum the final Dedicated Schools Grant position for 2013-14 and note the amount of DSG carried forward into the 2014-15 financial year.

2.0 Recommendation

RECOMMENDED: That the amount of unspent DSG from 2013-14 of £3,836,237 is carried forward into the 2013-14 financial year be noted by the School Forum.

3.0 Background

Each year all local authorities are required to submit a Section 251 Outturn return to the Department for Education. The authority records its total income and expenditure for the previous financial year (2013-14). This includes income and expenditure at individual school level, taken from the Consistent Financial Reporting return plus central local authority income and expenditure.

3.1 The DSG available for distribution in 2013-14 totalled £86.2M as below:

Final allocation of DSG for 2013-14	£83.1M
Plus unspent DSG from 2012-13 carried forward	<u>£ 3.2M</u>
Total DSG available in 2013-14	£86.2M

3.2 The DSG expenditure in 2013-14 totalled £82.4M as below:

Actual DSG School level expenditure	£73.4M
Actual DSG Central expenditure	<u>£ 9.0M</u>
Total DSG expenditure in 2013-14	£82.4M

3.3 The unspent DSG from 2011-12 brought forward into 2013-14 is therefore £3.8M as below:

Total DSG available in 2013-14	£86.2M
Total DSG expenditure in 2013-14	<u>£82.4M</u>
Total DSG brought forward into 2014-15	£ 3.8M

3.4 The central DSG budget underspends was made up of High Needs and Early Years provisions. The funds brought forward will be used to fund budget pressures in the current 2014-15 financial year.