

**Extract of Executive Board Minutes relevant to the Children and Young People Policy and Performance Board**

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**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 18 November 2021**

<b>EXB50</b>	<b>THE FUNDING FORMULA FOR MAINSTREAM SCHOOLS AND ACADEMIES FOR 2022-23</b>
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The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director – People, which presented the proposal for the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) Schools Block Funding Formula for Halton’s mainstream schools and academies for the Council’s financial year 2022-23.

The report described how the DSG was split and how the National Funding Formula (NFF) was used by the Department for Education (DfE) to calculate the Schools Block element of the DSG allocated to Halton.

The Board was required to make a decision on the funding formula to be adopted for 2022-23. Further to the consultation paper sent to all schools (appendices A and B) and after its consideration at Schools Forum, it was agreed by them that the adoption of the NFF method, principles and rules should continue to be applied to mainstream schools and academies.

The Board was also requested to support the disapplication request to the DfE to transfer 1% of DSG from Schools Block to the High Needs Block, due to the continuing pressures on the High Needs Block budgets. Again, a consultation had been carried out on this proposal with schools, set out in appendices C and D and the proposal was considered at Schools Forum on 3 November, where this was supported.

**RESOLVED:** That the Board

- 1) approves the continuation of the National Funding Formula for 2022-23; and
- 2) supports the disapplication request to transfer 1% of DSG from Schools Block to High Needs Block.