

REPORT TO FINANCE COMMITTEE / GOVERNING BODY

SCHOOL BUDGET 2018/19

The pupil premium grant for the school in 2018/19 is £127,020, which is c£6 000 less than last year. Barriers to learning at the school remain from a number of sources. There is a high incidence of children from low income and vulnerable families. This provides us with a challenge to meet their considerable and varying needs. Families at Level 4 are on the increase which is impacting on the Outreach team, so we need to be able to react to this and to attempt to protect families at risk of getting into crisis. The number of children in the category CLA is also increasing at the moment.

As an inclusive school we seek to meet these many and varied needs, including children with special educational needs and disabilities.

The following expenditure to address these needs is recommended for 2018/19

- The school's budget reflects the priorities identified in the school development plan.

<i>EP</i>	£3200
<i>SALT provision</i>	£1500
<i>Outreach Worker posts 37hrs Grade 8 & 30 hrs Grade 7</i>	£60 000
<i>Supervision training</i>	£500
<i>Nurture room staff 70 hours TA3 (continue at 50 hrs)</i>	£51 000
<i>Subsidy contingency for trips/visits /extra-curricular</i>	£2000
<i>1:1 Counselling, Child Action North West (full day support each week)</i>	£9000
<i>School improvement budget</i>	£ 4000
	Total £131 200

At £131 200, this expenditure is actually more than the pupil premium allocation. It will be necessary to set a budget with an in-year deficit, drawing on existing reserves.

EFFECT ON SCHOOL'S RESERVES AND BALANCES

- The spending plans included in the budget have the following effect on the level of revenue:*
Revenue balance b/f (31/03/18) £107,345
In year surplus / deficit - £35,701
Estimated revenue balance c/f £71,644 (at 31/03/19)
% of balance b/f required to set budget: 33%
*Guideline balance * £ 175,936*
** Subject to change – 12% of CFR Income – minimum of £60,000*

DECISION REQUIRED

- The Finance Sub-Committee is asked to recommend the school budget for 2018/19 to the Governing Body for approval.

IMPACT/ STRATEGY REVIEW

The impact of these spending measures will be reviewed and presented to the governors each term, by the SENDCO and Safeguarding team, with opportunities for Governors to question directly, the leaders for these areas, with regards to the impact of their work.