

## **BEST VALUE STATEMENT**

At High Green Primary School, the Governing Body and Senior Leadership Team are committed to ensuring that all resources—financial, human, and physical—are used responsibly, transparently, and in a way that maximises the educational outcomes for our pupils. We adopt the principles of **Best Value** and **Value for Money** in all decision-making and in the delivery of our School Improvement Plan.

We will:

### **1. Challenge & Evaluate**

- Regularly review the functions, systems, and services of the school to ensure they are efficient, effective, and aligned with our school vision and values.
- Set clear targets and success criteria, evaluating impact not only in financial terms but also in pupil outcomes, wellbeing, and school improvement.

### **2. Compare & Benchmark**

- Use internal data and external benchmarking to compare performance with similar schools and national expectations, identifying areas for efficiency and improvement.
- Review spending patterns annually to ensure costs remain proportionate and justified.

### **3. Consult & Engage**

- Seek the views of stakeholders—including staff, governors, parents, and pupils—when making significant decisions that affect the school community.
- Use consultation to ensure decisions are informed, transparent, and meet the needs of pupils.

### **4. Compete & Procure Fairly**

- Use fair and open procurement processes, ensuring that quotations and tenders demonstrate value for money, quality, and compliance with financial regulations.
- Ensure purchasing decisions reflect ethical, sustainable, and cost-effective practice.

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## **5. Use Resources Effectively**

- Deploy staffing, curriculum resources, and physical assets in a way that maximises learning, inclusion, and wellbeing.
- Ensure financial resources are aligned to the priorities of the School Improvement Plan and that funding is targeted where it has the greatest impact.

## **6. Accountability & Compliance**

- Maintain robust financial controls, risk management procedures, and audit processes in accordance with local authority requirements and statutory guidance.
- Provide transparent reporting to governors, demonstrating effective stewardship of public funds.

## **Monitoring**

Governors will review this statement annually and evaluate evidence that the principles of Best Value are being applied across the school. This review will inform financial planning and strategic decision-making for the following year.