

Bolton Council

Report to: Schools Forum

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Report of: Director of Childrens Services
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**Report
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Report Title: **Analysis of School Budgets 2022-23**

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Purpose:

To update Schools Forum on the 2022-23 budget allocations following the budget process.

Recommendations: The Schools Forum is asked to note and comment on the report.

Decision:

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

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2. APPROVAL

The 2022-23 budget paper in relation to schools was approved by the Executive cabinet member on 7th February 2022.

The formula was submitted to the ESFA via the Authority Proforma Tool (APT). The ESFA has confirmed the authority's adherence to the finance regulations and that the proforma met the required criteria. The ESFA also thanked the authority for the work done to achieve this.

3. HEADLINES

As set out in section the DSG budget report the Schools Block DSG for 2022-23 is £257,967,000.

It has been allocated as follows: -

Reconciliation of Schools Block	£	£
DSG Schools Block		257,967,000
Allocated: -		
Distributed to schools through the Formula	253,425,700	
0.39% transfer to High Needs Block	995,500	
Withheld for Business Rates	2,129,500	
Growth Fund Available	1,416,300	
		257,967,000

The formula of £253,425,700 has been allocated as follows: -

Summary of Funding Factors	Primary	Secondary	Total
	£	£	£
1. Pupil Number Funding	90,265,803	94,738,896	185,004,699
2. Deprivation	14,971,413	14,846,664	29,818,077
3. Prior Attainment	10,215,677	7,730,508	17,946,185
4. EAL	2,797,008	1,403,519	4,200,526
5. Mobility	307,956	75,746	383,702
6. Lump Sum	11,796,425	2,395,675	14,192,100
7. Split Site	-	120,772	120,772
8. PFI	343,000	-	343,000
9. Area Cost Adjustment	-	-	-
Minimum Funding Level Top up	1,080,689	179,210	1,259,899
Minimum Funding Guarantee Protection	119,618	36,838	156,456
Total Funding Formula 2022-23	131,897,589	121,527,827	253,425,417

The average amounts per pupil for each school are listed in the appendix.

It should be noted that although each school has a different average amount per pupil that the funding formula is the same for every school, i.e., an individual pupil would be funded the same no matter which school they were attending due to their characteristics.

4. NOTIONAL SEN

When producing school budgets, the amount available for SEN within the budget should be shown for information, this is known as notional SEN.

In Bolton the notional SEN is calculated as follows: -

	Education Health Care Plan	SEN Support	Total	Funding Required
				£6,000
Primary	548	3,845	4,393	£26,358,000
Secondary	432	2,202	2,634	£15,804,000

		Represented by			
		Deprivation	Prior Attainment	Basic Entitlement	Total
Primary		£ 14,971,413	£ 10,215,677	£1,170,909	£ 26,358,000
	% of Factor:	100%	100%	1.30%	
Secondary		£ 14,846,664	£ 957,336		£ 15,804,000
	% of Factor:	100%	12.38%		

The notional allocation allows for £6,000 for every pupil on SEN support requiring the full value, however, this will not be the case for all pupils.

In many Local Authorities the notional SEN calculation is very historic and as part of the SEN review the DfE are hoping to issue some guidance in the future to achieve Consistency nationally .

5. UPDATES SINCE THE BUDGET REPORT

It was previously announced that there would be changes to the payment process of national non-domestic rates (NNDR) for all local authority-maintained schools and academies from 1 April 2022, with the Department for Education paying billing authorities directly.

It has now been announced that this is an optional change for billing authorities in 2022/23.

Bolton has opted to delay the new system to allow more time for implementation, this is due to two reasons: -

- Business rates teams have spent most of the last 2 years implementing grants schemes re covid so have had very limited resources available
- Software companies were informed about the change late therefore the systems require further development

DSG and School formula allocations have been prepared without the rates included. Revised DSG allocations will be issued to include business rates and funding will be added to school budgets.

6. RECOMMENDATION

The Schools Forum is asked to note and comment on report

	Amount per Pupil		Amount per Pupil
	Before Protection		After Protection
Castle Hill	£ 5,624	£ 5,624	
Bowness	£ 5,499	£ 5,519	
St Johns Kearsley	£ 5,467	£ 5,467	
Washacre	£ 5,230	£ 5,355	
Brownlow Fold	£ 5,314	£ 5,314	
St Matthew's Bolton	£ 5,313	£ 5,313	
All Saints	£ 5,311	£ 5,311	
Johnson Fold	£ 5,301	£ 5,301	
Haslam Park	£ 5,271	£ 5,271	
Gilnow	£ 5,251	£ 5,268	
Beacon School	£ 5,254	£ 5,254	
Queensbridge	£ 5,237	£ 5,237	
St James' Farnworth	£ 5,210	£ 5,210	
St Joseph	£ 5,207	£ 5,207	
St Gregory	£ 5,187	£ 5,187	
SS Peter & Paul	£ 5,158	£ 5,158	
Kearsley West	£ 5,157	£ 5,157	
Red Lane	£ 5,131	£ 5,131	
Moorgate	£ 5,097	£ 5,097	
Gaskell	£ 5,096	£ 5,096	
St Columba	£ 5,086	£ 5,086	
St William	£ 5,068	£ 5,068	
Tonge Moor	£ 5,058	£ 5,058	
Bolton St Catherines (Primary)	£ 5,056	£ 5,056	
Cherry Tree	£ 5,022	£ 5,022	
Oxford Grove	£ 5,012	£ 5,012	
St Mary's Deane	£ 5,012	£ 5,012	
Clarendon	£ 4,981	£ 4,981	
St Thomas Halliwell	£ 4,965	£ 4,965	
ESSA Primary	£ 4,924	£ 4,949	
Brandwood	£ 4,943	£ 4,943	
St Teresa	£ 4,942	£ 4,942	
Bolton Parish	£ 4,929	£ 4,929	
St Ethelbert	£ 4,927	£ 4,927	
Leverhulme	£ 4,905	£ 4,905	
The Ferns Primary Academy	£ 4,864	£ 4,864	
Our Lady of Lourdes	£ 4,831	£ 4,831	
Holy Infant	£ 4,823	£ 4,823	
St Michael	£ 4,817	£ 4,817	
Pikes Lane	£ 4,812	£ 4,812	
Bishop Bridgeman	£ 4,740	£ 4,740	
St Paul	£ 4,710	£ 4,738	
Lever Edge	£ 4,736	£ 4,736	
St Peter	£ 4,707	£ 4,725	

	Amount per Pupil Before Protection		Amount per Pupil After Protection
SS Simon & Jude	£ 4,724		£ 4,724
Sunning Hill	£ 4,723		£ 4,723
St Stephen & All Martyrs	£ 4,713		£ 4,713
Heathfield	£ 4,680		£ 4,681
Sharples	£ 4,679		£ 4,679
St Stephen Kearsley Moor	£ 4,672		£ 4,672
Harwood Meadows	£ 4,637		£ 4,637
The Valley	£ 4,625		£ 4,625
Highfield	£ 4,601		£ 4,601
Olive Tree	£ 4,577		£ 4,577
Chorley New Road	£ 4,494		£ 4,565
St John Bromley Cross	£ 4,549		£ 4,549
Eagley - Infants	£ 4,519		£ 4,519
Eatock	£ 4,519		£ 4,519
Devonshire Road	£ 4,484		£ 4,514
SS Osmund/Andrew	£ 4,500		£ 4,500
St Matthews Little Lever	£ 4,475		£ 4,475
St Catherines	£ 4,360		£ 4,441
St Bede CE	£ 4,441		£ 4,441
Masefield	£ 4,425		£ 4,425
Spindle Point	£ 4,422		£ 4,422
Church Road	£ 4,394		£ 4,394
St Brendan	£ 4,383		£ 4,383
Blackshaw	£ 4,364		£ 4,364
Prestolee	£ 4,351		£ 4,351
Ladybridge	£ 4,346		£ 4,346
Olive School	£ 4,302		£ 4,345
St Mary's Horwich	£ 4,338		£ 4,338
Blackrod Church	£ 4,335		£ 4,335
St Maxentius	£ 4,326		£ 4,326
St Georges'	£ 4,312		£ 4,312
Beaumont	£ 4,283		£ 4,283
Claypool	£ 4,272		£ 4,282
St Andrew Over Hulton	£ 4,278		£ 4,278
St Bernard	£ 4,265		£ 4,276
St Saviour	£ 4,275		£ 4,275
St Peter Smithills Dean	£ 4,274		£ 4,274
Mytham	£ 4,265		£ 4,267
High Lawn	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Sacred Heart	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
St Thomas of Canterbury	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
St James Daisy Hill	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Walmsley	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Horwich Parish	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Markland Hill	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Hardy Mill	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Blackrod	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
The Gates	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Eagley - Junior	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
The Oaks	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
St Thomas Chequerbent	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
St Bartholomews	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Egerton	£ 4,265		£ 4,265
Lostock	£ 4,265		£ 4,265

	Amount per Pupil		Amount per Pupil
	Before Protection		After Protection
University Collegiate School	£ 6,863		£ 6,863
Bolton St Catherine's Academy (Secondary)	£ 6,860		£ 6,860
Harper Green	£ 6,772		£ 6,772
Smithills	£ 6,684		£ 6,684
ESSA Academy	£ 6,564		£ 6,564
Kearsley Academy	£ 6,381		£ 6,381
Ladybridge High	£ 6,322		£ 6,322
Mount St Joseph	£ 6,299		£ 6,299
Eden Boys	£ 6,252		£ 6,252
Kings Leadership	£ 6,178		£ 6,178
Muslim Girls School	£ 6,156		£ 6,156
Sharples	£ 6,013		£ 6,013
Little Lever	£ 5,966		£ 5,966
Rivington & Blackrod High	£ 5,925		£ 5,925
Thornleigh Salesian College	£ 5,851		£ 5,851
St James'	£ 5,791		£ 5,791
Turton	£ 5,719		£ 5,719
Westhoughton High	£ 5,691		£ 5,691
St Joseph	£ 5,678		£ 5,678
Canon Slade	£ 5,525		£ 5,550

Schools highlighted in red are receiving MFG protection

Schools highlighted in blue are receiving MFL Top up