

New schools funding factors

*Amounts shown below are allocations per pupil in each category.
All numbers quoted are indicative and based on 2012/13 levels of funding and October 2011 data which will be updated before final allocations are made to schools in March 2013.*

Basic per-pupil entitlement

Primary: £2,627.96

Secondary: £4,096.89

The DfE guidance is that the majority of funding should be pupil led and not driven by organisational factors such as the floor area of a school or numbers of upper pay scale teachers employed.

The proposed funding formula will allocate 70% of funding via the basic per-pupil entitlement.

Deprivation

The new funding system must have a deprivation factor. The proposed formula replicates the current overall amounts allocated through Free School Meals and IDACI factors for each sector.

Free School meals

Primary: £470.55

Secondary: £679.12

IDACI bands

Band	IDACI score lower limit	IDACI score upper limit	Unit Values
1	0.2	0.25	0
2	0.25	0.3	0
3	0.3	0.4	£500
4	0.4	0.5	£800
5	0.5	0.6	£1,200
6	0.6	1.0	£1,500

It was recognised however that funding should target the most deprived families and therefore funding is allocated for those children with a minimum 30% chance of coming from a deprived family, with the maximum level of funding to those with a 60% chance and above as illustrated in the table above.

Children Looked After

Primary: £679.12

Secondary: £679.12

There is currently no recognition within Southampton's existing formula for schools who have children looked after. The proposed formula includes an allocation for each Child Looked After.

Lump sum

Primary & Secondary: £114,200.00

Currently schools receive a lump sum of £88,554 per Primary school and £189,297 per Secondary school. The DfE are proposing a single lump sum limited to a maximum of £200,000 per school. The new formula allocates a lump sum based on overall funding currently allocated through this factor.

Prior Attainment

Primary: £847.33

Secondary: £2342.52

Currently schools receive funding within their budget shares for low cost/high incidence SEN on the basis of prior attainment data. The proposed formula continues to fund this at the same overall level for each sector but some variances will occur as we are directed to use DfE supplied prior attainment data.

English as an additional language

Primary: £679.91

Secondary: £679.91

The DfE recognise that pupils with English as an additional language often require additional support. DfE evidence suggests that pupils require additional support for up to 3 years from the point at which they enter compulsory education. This factor targets funding at existing levels for each sector.

Mobility

Primary: £679.12

Secondary: £679.12

The mobility factor allocates funds on the basis of the percentage of pupils at each school who started in the last three academic years but did not start in August or September (or January for Year 1).

Split Sites

This affects one Primary school in the city with a split site and is funded as a lump sum of £28,452.

Rates

The DfE will continue to allow rates to be funded at the actual cost incurred by schools.

Private Finance Initiative (PFI) Funding

This represents the schools contribution to the PFI affordability gap and has been set to £450,000. The funding will be allocated to the three PFI schools, who under the terms of their funding agreements are required to pass it back to the Local Authority to help pay the annual PFI Unitary charge.

Growth funding – Headroom

The Schools Block for 2013-14 has been estimated using October 2011 pupil data. In December the DfE will confirm final allocations based on October 2012 pupil data which is likely to result in an increase in the overall budget.

The majority of this funding will feed through the formula in terms of additional pupil numbers at individual schools, or changes in other data such as IDACI or Prior Attainment. However, once this has been completed any funds remaining, know as “headroom”, will be allocated to the PFI factor in addition to the £450,000 above.