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SUBJECT: School Funding Reform 2014-15
DATE: 10th July 2013
RECIPIENT: Schools Forum

THIS IS NOT A DECISION PAPER

SUMMARY:

1. A request was made at the June 2013 Schools Forum for benchmarking information to be produced that compared elements of the Southampton schools funding with that of statistical neighbours.

BACKGROUND and BRIEFING DETAILS:

2. The DfE has completed analysis of each of the factors used by local authorities in their new individual schools funding for 2013-14. The data sets produced by the DfE compare the level of funding allocated under each factor to allow local authorities to set up their own benchmarking comparisons.
3. A comparison of Southampton and its ten statistical neighbours is attached at **Appendix A**.

Deprivation

4. In 2013-14 Southampton allocated 12.29% of overall funding through the deprivation factor which contains both IDACI and FSM measures. The highest distribution amongst the 10 statistical neighbours was Bristol at 20.83%, whilst the lowest was Peterborough at 5.80%. The average across all 10 was 11.58%.
5. Further analysis has highlighted that two of the statistical neighbours used only FSM as their deprivation factor. One of these being Hull, which had the second highest allocation amongst the group.
6. Nationally, Leicester had the highest deprivation allocation at 24.82% of total funding, and also used all IDACI bandings and FSM indicators. The lowest, second only to the Isles of Scilly was South Gloucestershire who distributed 1.7% of total funding on deprivation. Their allocation was on FSM data only.
7. The data collected would indicate that Southampton is a high funding authority on deprivation nationally.

Lump Sum

5. In 2013-14 the lump sum allocated to Southampton schools was £114,200. The highest allocation amongst the 10 statistical neighbours was Telford and Wrekin at £175,000, whilst the lowest was Plymouth at £106,131. The average across all 10 was £136,688.
6. Nationally the average lump sum allocated to schools was £130,975, the highest being £200,000 and the lowest Worcestershire at £42,000.

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Looked after Children

8. For 2014-15 the DfE has confirmed that the Looked after Children factor includes children looked after for one day or more. The data is taken from the SSDA903 2012 looked-after children data collected from local authorities, indicating whether a child has been looked after for one day or more during the year ending 31 March 2012.
9. The DfE has evidence that shows that children who have been looked after for one day are equally likely to under-perform at KS4 as those who are looked after for 12 months or more and may have equally challenging backgrounds.
10. In Southampton in 2013-14 the decision was taken to adopt this factor but to base the allocations on those children who had been looked after for 6 months or more. Using a unit value of £679.12 per pupil this factor distributed £91,822 across schools. However using the revised data set of one day or more this would have allocated £114,100 across schools, resulting in an additional £22,200.
11. The numbers recorded for Looked after Children who have been looked after for 6 months or more was 135. This compares with 168 children looked after for one day or more, an increase of 33.

Pupil Mobility

12. The DfE has confirmed that funding under the mobility factor will only be targeted at schools with mobility of over 10%. A separate primary and secondary school level percentage will be provided based on the number of pupils whose entry date (start at current school) is within the previous 3 academic years and whose start month was not in August, or September. If the pupil started in Reception then start months August, September or January will not be counted. Pupils who started the school in nursery classes are not mobile.
13. To assess the impact on schools as a result of this change, Appendix B compares the funding allocated in 2013-14 with that of 2014-15 should the unit value of £679.12 stay the same. The unallocated funding per phase is then redistributed through the per pupil funding.
14. The final column of the table looks at the affect of targeting the current mobility pot only at the schools eligible under this factor. This results in large changes for some schools and is not recommended.

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Appendix A

School Funding Benchmarking 2013-14

		DEPRIVATION TOTAL		LUMP SUM	
Local Authority	LA Identifier	DEPRIVATION TOTAL	Deprivation Proportion of Funding	Lump Sum Fixed Sum per school	Lump Sum Proportion of Funding
Portsmouth	851	12,153,359	11.75%	140,000	8.39%
Bristol, City of	801	40,159,960	20.83%	125,000	7.78%
Plymouth	879	16,434,003	12.16%	106,131	6.52%
Peterborough	874	6,682,286	5.80%	150,000	8.72%
Sheffield	373	20,078,018	7.10%	150,000	8.27%
Derby	831	19,545,606	13.88%	100,000	5.96%
Telford and Wrekin	894	9,015,267	9.55%	175,000	12.05%
Coventry	331	17,727,432	8.50%	160,753	7.94%
Kingston Upon Hull, City of	810	23,126,078	15.63%	150,000	8.41%
Salford	355	14,438,612	11.33%	110,000	7.77%
Statistical Neighbours Average		17,936,062	11.58%	136,688	8.00%
Southampton	852	15,011,190	12.29%	114,200	6.73%
National Average		16,050,809	8.19%	130,975	8.55%

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Appendix B

Analysis of Changes to Mobility Factor

School Name	Actual Mobility 2013-14	New mobility factor @ 10%	Variance	Additional AWPU	Variance	Total targeted through Mobility factor	Variance
Bassett Green Primary School	£59,483	£32,666	(£26,817)	£18,133	(£8,684)	£170,852	£111,369
Valentine Infant School	£4,089	£0	(£4,089)	£13,530	£9,441	£0	(£4,089)
Thornhill Primary School	£28,523	£8,761	(£19,762)	£13,670	(£6,092)	£45,821	£17,298
Newlands Primary School	£32,012	£8,693	(£23,319)	£16,113	(£7,206)	£45,466	£13,454
Sinclair Primary School	£25,269	£13,107	(£12,162)	£8,362	(£3,800)	£68,554	£43,284
Mansel Park Primary School	£14,262	£0	(£14,262)	£13,342	(£920)	£0	(£14,262)
Beechwood Junior School	£12,224	£0	(£12,224)	£9,865	(£2,359)	£0	(£12,224)
Bevois Town Primary School	£30,131	£13,650	(£16,481)	£11,322	(£5,159)	£71,395	£41,264
BITTERNE MANOR PRIMARY	£9,508	£0	(£9,508)	£9,583	£76	£0	(£9,508)
Bitterne Park Junior School	£15,620	£0	(£15,620)	£16,536	£916	£0	(£15,620)
Bitterne Park Infant School	£6,817	£0	(£6,817)	£12,637	£5,820	£0	(£6,817)
Mount Pleasant Junior School	£17,657	£611	(£17,046)	£11,791	(£5,255)	£3,197	(£14,460)
MAYTREE NURSERY AND INFANTS	£15,620	£0	(£15,620)	£12,590	(£3,030)	£0	(£15,620)
Heathfield Junior School	£6,791	£0	(£6,791)	£13,154	£6,362	£0	(£6,791)
Ludlow Junior School	£21,732	£0	(£21,732)	£24,992	£3,260	£0	(£21,732)
Ludlow Infant Academy	£6,180	£0	(£6,180)	£12,825	£6,645	£0	(£6,180)
Portswood Primary	£25,127	£0	(£25,127)	£19,590	(£5,538)	£0	(£25,127)
St.Denys Primary School	£14,262	£68	(£14,194)	£9,818	(£4,375)	£355	(£13,906)
St. John's Primary and Nursery School	£17,657	£5,773	(£11,885)	£8,221	(£3,664)	£30,192	£12,535
Shirley Junior School	£11,545	£0	(£11,545)	£22,455	£10,910	£0	(£11,545)
Shirley Infant School	£6,135	£0	(£6,135)	£12,778	£6,643	£0	(£6,135)
St. Monica Infant School	£4,090	£0	(£4,090)	£12,731	£8,641	£0	(£4,090)
Sholing Junior School	£8,149	£0	(£8,149)	£11,275	£3,125	£0	(£8,149)
Sholing Infant School	£1,365	£0	(£1,365)	£9,724	£8,360	£0	(£1,365)
Swaythling Primary	£24,688	£10,594	(£14,094)	£9,677	(£4,416)	£55,411	£30,723
Woolston Infant School	£6,112	£0	(£6,112)	£8,221	£2,109	£0	(£6,112)
Weston Park Primary School	£41,176	£2,105	(£39,071)	£24,804	(£14,267)	£11,011	(£30,165)
Tanners Brook Junior School	£8,719	£0	(£8,719)	£14,939	£6,220	£0	(£8,719)
Tanners Brook Infant School	£10,662	£0	(£10,662)	£12,261	£1,599	£0	(£10,662)
Glenfield Infant School	£4,075	£0	(£4,075)	£10,946	£6,871	£0	(£4,075)
Banister Infant School	£17,657	£6,316	(£11,341)	£7,845	(£3,496)	£33,034	£15,377
Mansbridge Primary	£21,732	£7,810	(£13,922)	£9,630	(£4,292)	£40,848	£19,116
Redbridge Primary	£11,545	£0	(£11,545)	£9,865	(£1,680)	£0	(£11,545)
Hightown Primary School	£24,083	£8,353	(£15,730)	£10,805	(£4,925)	£43,690	£19,606
Wordsworth Infant School	£7,507	£0	(£7,507)	£9,489	£1,982	£0	(£7,507)
Moorlands Primary School	£8,829	£0	(£8,829)	£11,228	£2,399	£0	(£8,829)
St. Monica Junior School	£4,075	£0	(£4,075)	£16,771	£12,696	£0	(£4,075)
Hollybrook Infant School	£4,754	£0	(£4,754)	£8,315	£3,561	£0	(£4,754)
Hollybrook Junior School	£6,791	£0	(£6,791)	£10,194	£3,403	£0	(£6,791)

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Kanes Hill Primary School	£29,202	£6,316	(£22,886)	£15,831	(£7,055)	£33,034	£3,832
Townhill Infant School	£6,112	£0	(£6,112)	£12,120	£6,008	£0	(£6,112)
Weston Shore Infant	£3,396	£0	(£3,396)	£3,899	£504	£0	(£3,396)
Townhill Junior School	£15,620	£0	(£15,620)	£13,107	(£2,513)	£0	(£15,620)
Oakwood Infant School	£8,195	£0	(£8,195)	£8,362	£167	£0	(£8,195)
Oakwood Junior School	£10,866	£0	(£10,866)	£11,416	£550	£0	(£10,866)
Fairisle Infant/Nursery School	£5,455	£0	(£5,455)	£11,509	£6,054	£0	(£5,455)
Fairisle Junior	£11,545	£0	(£11,545)	£15,597	£4,051	£0	(£11,545)
Foundry Lane Primary School	£14,262	£0	(£14,262)	£21,046	£6,784	£0	(£14,262)
Shirley Warren Primary & Nursery School	£12,224	£0	(£12,224)	£12,167	(£57)	£0	(£12,224)
Mason Moor Primary	£27,966	£11,138	(£16,828)	£11,791	(£5,037)	£58,253	£30,287
Bitterne Junior School CE (VC)	£8,829	£0	(£8,829)	£11,040	£2,211	£0	(£8,829)
Bitterne CE Infants School	£2,716	£0	(£2,716)	£8,456	£5,739	£0	(£2,716)
Freemantle C of E Community Academy	£19,079	£0	(£19,079)	£13,999	(£5,080)	£0	(£19,079)
St.Mark's CE Primary School	£46,965	£14,194	(£32,771)	£22,502	(£10,269)	£74,237	£27,273
St. Mary's Primary School	£64,109	£31,919	(£32,190)	£22,173	(£10,017)	£166,945	£102,836
Highfield C.E. Primary School	£4,075	£0	(£4,075)	£12,496	£8,421	£0	(£4,075)
Springhill Catholic Primary	£37,352	£0	(£37,352)	£29,549	(£7,803)	£0	(£37,352)
Holy Family Primary School	£28,523	£1,902	(£26,622)	£18,415	(£8,206)	£9,946	(£18,577)
St. Patricks Catholic Primary	£15,620	£0	(£15,620)	£15,878	£259	£0	(£15,620)
Harefield Primary School	£27,933	£6,587	(£21,345)	£14,751	(£6,594)	£34,455	£6,522
Total Primary Mobility	£996,695	£190,561	(£806,133)	£806,133	0	£996,695	£0
REGENTS PARK COMMUNITY COLLEGE	£38,710	£0	(£38,710)	£32,206	(£6,503)	£0	(£38,710)
The Sholing Technology College	£36,672	£0	(£36,672)	£43,914	£7,242	£0	(£36,672)
Redbridge Community School	£26,975	£0	(£26,975)	£41,970	£14,995	£0	(£26,975)
Chamberlayne College for the Arts	£37,352	£679	(£36,672)	£22,823	(£13,849)	£12,543	(£24,809)
Upper Shirley High	£23,769	£0	(£23,769)	£29,755	£5,986	£0	(£23,769)
Bitterne Park School	£25,127	£0	(£25,127)	£63,187	£38,060	£0	(£25,127)
Woodlands Community College	£49,576	£5,976	(£43,600)	£27,135	(£16,465)	£110,375	£60,800
Cantell School	£73,345	£13,311	(£60,034)	£37,363	(£22,671)	£245,836	£172,491
St. George Catholic Voluntary Aided College	£30,560	£0	(£30,560)	£22,232	(£8,329)	£0	(£30,560)
St. Anne's Catholic School	£19,694	£0	(£19,694)	£42,435	£22,740	£0	(£19,694)
Oasis Academy Lordshill	£29,202	£0	(£29,202)	£23,796	(£5,407)	£0	(£29,202)
Oasis Academy Mayfield	£45,501	£3,667	(£41,834)	£26,036	(£15,798)	£67,730	£22,229
Total Secondary Mobility	£436,484	£23,633	(£412,851)	£412,851	0	£436,484	£0