BRIEFING PAPER

SUBJECT: USE OF INTERVENTION FUND 2013/14

DATE: 25^{TH} JUNE 2014

RECIPIENT: SCHOOLS' FORUM

THIS IS NOT A DECISION PAPER

SUMMARY:

1. With the agreement of the Schools' Forum, £370,000 was held back from the Individual Schools Budget (ISB) in 2013/14 as an Intervention Fund contingency. This paper explains how the 2013/14 Intervention Fund has been used.

BACKGROUND and BRIEFING DETAILS:

- The School Finance (England) Regulations 2011 allows for a schools specific contingency (Intervention Fund) to be held as central expenditure from the Schools Budget. This is to fund adjustments to budget shares or additional allocations to schools that face extra costs as a result of significant increases in pupil numbers mid-year or those affected by the Primary Review.
- 3. At the meeting on 23rd January 2013, the Schools' Forum agreed that an Intervention Fund of £370,000 be held back in 2013/14.
- 4. In 2013/14 £357,417 was allocated to schools from the Intervention Fund. Appendix 1 shows how the funds were used. The remaining balance of £12,583 has been carried forward into 2014/15.
- 5. It should be noted that a £1.431m of unspent DSG was carried forward into 2014/15. Of this sum £525,000 is specifically identified for Capital Projects in relation to the expansion of 2 year places within the city. The remaining carry forward of £906,000 was due to additional Early Years funding allocated for 2013/14 following the January 2014 census (£400,000) with the balance representing an underspend against 2 year old funding. This £906,000 has currently been earmarked as follows:
 - The potential pressure on schools budgets as a result of implementing equal pay and the living wage.
 - Additional Growth fund allocations for primary schools required to increase numbers of classes for a temporary period.
 - Schools experiencing significant financial difficulties.

Appendices/Supporting Information:

Appendix 1: Use of Intervention Fund 2013/14

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Appendix 1

Use of Intervention Fund 2013/14

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Hightown Primary School – Funding for Interim Headship Support.	19,200
Heathfield Junior School – Funding to support improvements in	
teaching and learning.	15,000
Chamberlayne – funding to cover secondment to Thornhill Primary	
School	5,000
Growth Funding - Newlands Primary School	33,000
Swathling Primary School – funding to support the inclusion of a child	
with SEN but without a statement	21,000
Growth Funding – Wordsworth	27,000
Cedar School – Additional allocation	10,000
Fairisle Junior School – Staff backfill costs	15,625
Moorlands Primary School – Funding for equipment	6,500
Fairisle Junior School – Additional Head Teacher responsibilities and	
back fill arrangements.	23,986
Springwell Special School – Additional allocation	25,000
Bevios Town Primary School	33,000
St Monica Junior School – 50% contribution to clear capital deficit on	
primary merger.	14,348
Tremona Road – Shortfall on capital allocation	1,415
Moorlands Primary School – School Improvement Action Plan	14,200
Polygon Special School – Home/School Liaison Officer	7,000
Bitterne C of E Infants School – School Improvement Action Plan	10,000
Ian Fielder – Mediation Workshops Redbridge School	2,371
Ian Fielder – Governance review Weston Park School	1,159
Ian Fielder – IEB Regents Park School	2,500
Foundry Lane – Contribution to School Improvements	70,000
Hardmoor Nursery School – reallocation of CRC allowances	
underspend 2011/12	113
Total Allocated During 2013/14	357,417
Balance C/Fwd 2014/15	12,583
Intervention Fund Budget	370,000