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ROLE: PARENT

ORGANISATION TYPE: BILLINGSHURST PRIMARY SCHOOL

LOCAL AUTHORITY: WEST SUSSEX

1 In designing our national funding formula, we have taken careful steps to balance the principles of fairness and stability. Do you think we have struck the right balance?

NO The funding formula fails to provide adequate basic funding to run my child's 3 form entry primary school which attracts almost no deprivation funding.

2 Do you support our proposal to set the primary to secondary ratio in line with the current national average?

YES But the ratio does not provide adequate funding to run my child's 3 form entry primary school which attracts almost no deprivation funding.

3. Do you support our proposal to maximise pupil-led funding?

NO The level of school led funding is insufficient to fund the increasing responsibilities for social care, a proportionate quality leadership team, a reasonable level of administration and enough funding to support SEND children and those children in need.

4. Within the total pupil-led funding, do you support our proposal to increase the proportion allocated to the additional needs factors?

NO We support fully the allocation of additional resources to additional needs but this must be from a starting point of adequate funding for basic provisions.

5. Do you agree with the proposed weightings for each of the additional needs factors?

DEPRIVATION PUPIL BASED AT 5.5% - ALLOCATE A LOWER PROPORTION

REASON: With a lower proportion allocated to additional need factors, more money is available for basic provision

DEPRIVATION AREA BASED AT 3.9% - ALLOCATE A LOWER PROPORTION

REASON: With a lower proportion allocated to additional need factors, more money is available for basic provision

LOWER PRIOR ATTAINMENT AT 7.5% - ALLOCATE A LOWER PROPORTION

REASON: With a lower proportion allocated to additional need factors, more money is available for basic provision

ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE AT 1.2% - ALLOCATE A LOWER PROPORTION

REASON: With a lower proportion allocated to additional need factors, more money is available for basic provision

6. Do you have any suggestions about potential indicators and data sources we could use to allocate mobility funding in 2019-20 and beyond?

NO my focus is on adequate funding of basic provision for my child's 3 form entry primary school which attracts almost no deprivation funding.

7. Do you agree with the proposed lump sum amount of £110,000 for all schools?

LOWER AMOUNT

Reason Large schools such as our 3 form entry primary school which attracts almost no deprivation funding is disproportionately under-funded compared to smaller, neighbouring schools because of the lump sum funding.

8. Do you agree with the proposed amounts for sparsity funding of up to £25,000 for primary and up to £65,000 for secondary, middle and all-through schools?

This is about the right amount.

REASON But my focus is on adequate funding of basic provisions for my child's 3 form entry primary school which attracts almost no deprivation funding.

9. Do you agree that lagged pupil growth data would provide an effective basis for the growth factor in the longer term?

UNABLE TO COMMENT

10. Do you agree with the principle of a funding floor?

NO. This principle does not eradicate unfairness, merely perpetuates it.

11. Do you support our proposal to set the funding floor at minus 3%?

No – the floor should be lower (i.e. allow losses of more than 3% per pupil)

REASON: There should be no floor. This principle does not eradicate unfairness, merely perpetuates it.

12. Do you agree that for new or growing schools (i.e. schools that are still filling up and do not have pupils in all year groups yet) the funding floor should be applied to the per-pupil funding they would have received if they were at full capacity?

NO There should be no floor. This principle does not eradicate unfairness, merely perpetuates it.

13. Do you support our proposal to continue the minimum funding guarantee at minus 1.5%?

YES. But the funding formula fails to provide adequate basic funding to run my child's 3 form entry primary school which attracts almost no deprivation funding.

14. Are there further considerations we should be taking into account about the proposed schools national funding formula?

You MUST listen to the Headteachers.

15. Do you agree that we should allocate 10% of funding through a deprivation factor in the central school services block?

YES As long as the calculation of deprivation is fair.

16. Do you support our proposal to limit reductions on local authorities' central school services block funding to 2.5% per pupil in 2018-19 and in 2019-20?

YES we still benefit from local authority support.

17. Are there any further considerations we should be taking into account about the proposed central school services block formula?

UNABLE TO COMMENT

18. Is there any evidence relating to the 8 protected characteristics identified in the Equality Act 2010 that is not included in the equalities impact assessment and that we should take into account?

UNABLE TO COMMENT