**Oxfordshire County Council**

**Schools Forum – 7 February 2024**

**Schools Funding Formula 2024-25 - Authority Proforma Tool (APT) & De-Delegation Union Duties & School Improvement:**

**Update on Final Submission**

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| **Settings** | **Sector** | **Voting Entitlement (for decision papers only)** |   |
| Academies |  | Foundation Stage |  | Schools’ Forum approval is required in order  |  |
| Maintained Schools |  | Primary |  | to move funding from the school’s block to the |  |
| PVI Nurseries |  | Secondary |  | High Needs Block |  |
| Special Schools |  | Special |  | **All** representatives vote on Block movements  |  |
| Local Authority |  | 16+ |  |  |  |
| Schools Forum |  | High Needs |  | Voting on amendment to the school  |  |
|  |  |  |  | funding formula excludes non-school  |  |
|  |  |  |  | members except for the PVI representative |  |
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# Item for Information – Update Confirming Final APT Submission

* 1. At its last meeting (16 January) Schools Forum requested a further paper to provide details of the final APT Submission to ESFA for 2024-25. The submission is based on the agreed allocation (Model 0) with a contribution to the Growth Fund of £0.910m (including the surplus of £0.254m).
	2. The table below summarises the Basic Entitlement submitted (Column C) and provides a comparison with the agreed Model 0 (Column B). The APT pro-forma is detailed in Appendix A).
	3. There was a correction to the APT which didn’t impact the allocation but did reduce the additional surplus from £0.600m to £0.254m. The correction was due to 3 new Academies being identified which had not been included in the original APT.

**Table 1 – APT Final Submission**



# Conclusion:

## The APT was approved by Cabinet Member decision (16 January) and uploaded to ESFA (19 January).

## Arrangements are now being established to issue school budget shares to mainstream schools ahead of the deadline on 29 February per the timeline set out in the table below.

**Table 2: Timeline 2024**

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| Date | Activity |
| 16 January | Schools Forum - Report and discussion of APT 2024-25 submission  |
| 22 January  | Deadline for submission of final 2024-25 APT to ESFA |
| 23 January | Cabinet Member decision on the School Funding Formula (APT) 2024-25 |
| 7 February | Schools Forum – Early Years Funding and Update on APT 2024-25 including if approved by the ESFA  |
| February  | If confirmation of APT 2024-25 by ESFA received after 7 February Schools Forum meeting, detail to be circulated to School Forum members by e-mail  |
| 29 February  | Deadline for the local authority to issue school budget shares to mainstream maintained schools |
| By 31 March  | Confirmation by ESFA of 2024-25 general annual grant for academies open by 12 January 2024 |
| 1 April | Start of maintained schools financial year 2024-25 |

**Appendix A – APT Submitted: DSG Allocation 2024-25: Authority Proforma Tool** 