

SLOUGH SCHOOLS' FORUM
4 July 2012

Schools' Budgets 2012-13
(Director of Education & Children's Services)

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform Schools' Forum of the budgets presented by schools for the financial year 2012-13.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Schools' Forum notes the overall financial position reflected in the budget plans for Slough schools.

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is appropriate for the Schools' Forum to be aware of the anticipated income and expenditure in Slough schools in 2012-13.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 Not applicable.

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 5.1 As members of the Schools' Forum are aware, schools are required to submit budget plans to the authority by 31st May each year. These must be authorised by the governing body.
- 5.2 The returns for two schools, Godolphin Infants and Baylis Court Nursery, are expected imminently. St. Joseph's will be in a position to submit a budget plan following Schools Forum.
- 5.3 Annex A is a summary of the financial returns for 2011-12 showing income, expenditure and opening and closing balances.
- 5.4 Annex B is a summary of the 2012-13 revenue budget plans submitted by schools in the same format. An updated version will be circulated at the meeting.
- 5.5 Annex C is a comparison between the outturn for 2011-12 and the budgets for 2012-13. Schools Forum will note that the budget plans submitted indicate that school balances will reduce by 71.6% to £2.9m. This is primarily the result of the conversion of maintained schools to academy status and capital projects.

6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

Borough Solicitor

- 6.1 The relevant legal provisions are contained within the main body of this report.

Section 151 Officer – Strategic Director of Resources

- 6.2 The financial implications of the report are outlined in the supporting information.

Access Implications

- 6.3 There are no access implications.

7 CONSULTATION

Principal Groups Consulted

- 7.1 None.

Method of Consultation

- 7.2 Not applicable.

Representations Received

- 7.3 Not applicable.

Background Papers

Annex A – Summary of Outturn 2011-12

Annex B – Summary of Budgets 2012-13

Annex C – Comparison between Outturn 2011-12 and Budgets 2012-13

Contact for further information

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