

Question	Yes	No	Unsure
Should there be an early years national funding formula (to distribute money from Government to each local authority)?	x		
universal base rate of funding			
Should a universal base rate be included in the early years national funding formula?	x		
Is 89.5% of overall funding the right amount to channel through this factor?	x		
additional needs factor			
Should an additional needs factor be included in the early years national funding formula?	x		
Do we propose the correct set of metrics?		x	
Do we propose the correct weightings for each metric?		x	
area cost adjustment			
Should the early years national funding formula include an area cost adjustment?	x		
Should that adjustment be based on staff costs (based on the General Labour Market measure) and on nursery premises costs (based on rateable values)?	x		

Question	
If you have any comments or recommendations for alternative metrics or weightings to be used in the early years national funding formula, please explain here:	English as an additional language – not robust

Question	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
To what extent do you agree with the proposed funding floor limit, so that no local authority would face a reduction in its hourly funding rate of greater than 10%?		x			

Question	Yes	No	Unsure
Should we retain the current two-year-old funding formula?	x		
Should we use the additional funding secured at the spending review to uplift local authorities' allocations based upon this?	x		
Considering the Dedicated Schools Grant, should the free entitlement be capped at 30 hours for children of eligible working parents and 15 hours for all other children?	x		
Should Government set the proportion of early years funding		x	

that must be passed on to providers?			
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Question	Yes I agree	No 95% is too high	No 95% is too low	Unsure
Do you think that 95% is the correct minimum proportion of the money that should be passed from local authorities to providers?			x	

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If you would like to explain a response you've submitted on this page in more detail, please do so here:	Costs associated with transitioning to new funding formula could take longer, therefore the transition to 5% should take place over a number of years. The Local Authority is partnership with childcare providers should set this figure to reflect local circumstances.

Question	Yes	No	Unsure
Should local authorities be required to give the same universal hourly base rate to all childcare providers in their area?	x		
Funding Supplements			
Should local authorities be able to use funding supplements?	x		
Should there be a cap on the proportion of funding that is channelled through supplements?			x

Question	Yes I agree with a 10% cap	No the cap should be higher than 10%	No the cap should be lower than 10%	I'm Unsure
If you agree that there should be cap on the proportion of funding that is channelled through				

supplements, should the cap be set at 10%?				
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Question	Yes	No	Unsure
Should the following supplements be permitted....			
Deprivation	x		
Sparsity / rural areas	x		
Flexibility		x	
Efficiency		x	
Additional 15 hours of childcare	x		

Question	
If you agree that efficiency (efficient business practices that provide excellent value for money) should be included in the set of supplements, do you have a suggestion of how should it be designed?	

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If you agree the delivery of the additional 15 hours of free childcare should be included in the set of supplements, do you have a suggestion of how should it be designed?	

Question	
If you think that any additional supplements should be permitted which are not mentioned here, please set out what they are and why you believe they should be included	

Question	
Finally, for this page, if you want to explain a response you've submitted on this page in more detail, please do so here:	

Question	Yes	No	Unsure
Should there be a Disability Access Fund to support disabled children to access their free entitlement?	x		

Should eligibility for the Disability Access Fund be children aged 3 or 4 which are a) taking up their free entitlement and b) in receipt of Disability Living Allowance?	x		
When it comes to delivering the funding for the Disability Access Fund, is the most appropriate way the existing framework of the Early Years Pupil Premium?	x		

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To what extent do you agree that a lack of clarity on how parents / childcare providers can access financial support results in children with special educational needs not receiving appropriate support? (We mean children who do not already have an Education, Health and Care Plan)		x			
Should local authorities be required to establish an inclusion fund?		x			
Would an inclusion fund help improve the supply of appropriate support children receive when in an early years setting?		x			

Question	
If you envisage any barriers, arising from existing practice or future proposals, to introducing a new requirement on local authorities to establish an inclusion fund, please tell us what they are and how they might be overcome:	

Question	Yes	No	Unsure
Should local authorities be responsible for deciding the children for which the inclusion fund is used?	x		

Should local authorities be responsible for deciding the value of the fund?	x		
Should local authorities be responsible for deciding the process of allocating the funding?	x		

Question	Agree	Disagree	Unsure
Where specialist SEN or SEND services are delivered free at the point of use, should they be considered as funding passed directly to providers for the purposes of the 95% high pass-through?		x	

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To what extent do you agree with the transition approach proposed for the Early Years National Funding Formula (money distributed from Government to local authorities)?		x			
To what extent do you agree with the transition approach proposed for the high pass-through of early years funding from local authorities to providers?				x	
To what extent do you agree that our proposals on the high pass-through of funding from local authorities to childcare providers makes the existing Minimum Funding Guarantee for the early years unnecessary?		x			
To what extent do you agree with the transition approach proposed for introducing the universal	x				

base rate for all providers in a local authority area?					
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Please provide any representations and/or evidence on the impact of our proposals for the purposes of the Public Sector Equality Duty (Equality Act 2010). The protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; pregnancy and maternity; race (including ethnicity); religion or belief; sex and sexual orientation.	

