



North Tyneside Council

Briefing note

To: Schools Forum

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Title of Briefing: Consultation responses on the National Funding Formula and High Needs Funding (stage 2)

Purpose

1. This report is for information only, to confirm the information submitted to the Department for Education (DfE) in March regarding two consultations submitted on behalf of Schools Forum.

Background

At the meeting on 11 January 2017 Schools Forum agreed that a sub-group would be convened to prepare a response on behalf of Schools Forum for two consultations (stage 2); on the National Funding Formula and High Needs Funding.

In response to the request for participants, the following sub-group was convened from Schools Forum, with officer support from Michael Johnston, Joanne Harries, Elaine Appleby, Sue Graham and Christina Ponting. A request was also made for Anthony Gollings (Director of Finance and Support Services, St Thomas More) to attend the meeting:

- David Baldwin
- Dave Erskine
- David Grigg
- Andrew James
- John Newport
- Gavin Storey
- David Watson
- Steve Wilson

Both the Schools National Funding Formula and High Needs Funding Formula consultations were discussed and due to the complexity and detail of the consultation a further meeting was arranged to finalise comments for the consultation. In addition the High Needs consultation was also discussed at a recent Special Schools conference prior to the submission.

The group agreed the responses to the two surveys which were uploaded onto the DfE portal by the deadline of 22 March. The DfE confirmed the responses – copies of which are included in the attached appendices.