SCHOOLS FORUM

Benchmarking Report

Purpose of the Report

To give School Forum Members statistical information to allow consideration to be given to benchmarking. Unless stated otherwise the data relates to 2015/16 budgets. This can be helpful in terms of informing future decisions being made by Schools Forum and in understanding our context locally.

Suggested Action

2 Members are asked to consider and note the information contained herewithin.

Areas Considered

Formula Factors

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Wokingham AWPU's

		GUF	Р	rimary		KS3		KS4	Ratio
2009/10		N/A	£	2,372	£	2,921	£	3,477	
2010/11		NI / A	r	2.460	C	2 021	_	2 609	1.1 20
2010/11		N/A	£	2,460	£	3,031	£	3,608	1:1.28
2011/12		N/A	£	2,543	£	3,114	£	3,707	1:1.28
2012/13		4127	£	2,539	£	3,179	£	3,784	1:1.28
2013/14*	£	4,127	£	3,053	£	3,601	£	4,360	1:1.28
2014/15	£	4,127	£	2,749	£	3,638	£	4,548	1:1.28
2015/16	£	4,155	£	2,714	£	3,712	£	4,200	1:1.27
2016/17	£	4,155	£	2,781	£	3,785	£	4,273	1:1.27

^{*} Indicates first step change to National Funding Formula

Wokingham compared to other Berkshire Unitaries

AWPU	Primary		KS3		KS4	
Bracknell Forest	£	2,843	£	4,067	£	4,067
Reading	£	3,226	£	3,950	£	4,504
Slough	£	3,180	£	3,879	£	4,636
West Berkshire	£	2,937	£	4,364	£	4,364
Windsor and Maidenhead	£	2,880	£	3,950	£	4,502
Wokingham	£	2,714	£	3,712	£	4,200

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Bracknell Forest	£	2,456,475	£	212	£	239	£	239
Reading	£	5,221,618	£	-	£	699	£	1,410
Slough	£	13,771,722	£	-	£	-	£	-
West Berkshire	£	3,174,037	£	-	£	345	£	345
Windsor and Maidenhead	£	3,062,342	£	1,900	£	323	£	988
Wokingham	£	2,423,157	£	900	£	247	£	1,236

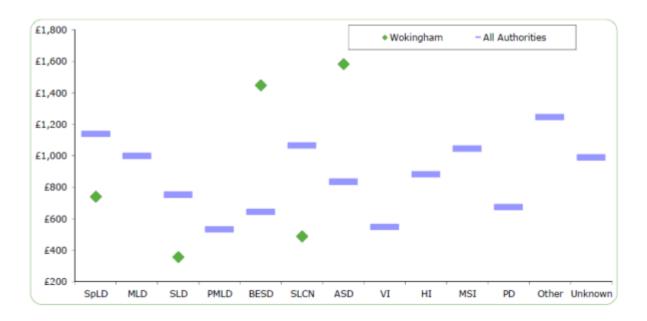
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	Mobi	ility total (£)	tot	al (£)	(£)		(£)	
Bracknell Forest	£	20,295	£	934,165	£	1,141,699	£	1,372,940
Reading	£	72,030	£	1,814,039	£	1,242,801	£	685,863
Slough	£	-	£	4,774,512	£	3,974,975	£	1,099,832
West Berkshire	£	-	£	880,743	£	2,261,869	£	989,330
Windsor and Maidenhead	£	-	£	2,687,832	£	2,337,059	£	969,060
Wokingham	£	145,488	£	828,387	£	2,039,808	£	1,614,914

	Primary Lump Sum (£)			ondary np Sum	Primary /Secondary Ratio		
Bracknell Forest	£	160,000	£	170,000	1:	1.35	
Reading	£	48,480	£	48,480	1:	1.27	
Slough	£	55,000	£	55,000	1:	1.38	
West Berkshire	£	126,400	£	126,400	1:	1.28	
Windsor and Maidenhead	£	123,738	£	125,155	1:	1.27	
Wokingham	£	175,000	£	175,000	1:	1.27	

4 High Needs Block

Data below has been taken from the CIPFA Special Educational Needs report and relates to financial year 2014/15, figures are as at 31st March 2015.

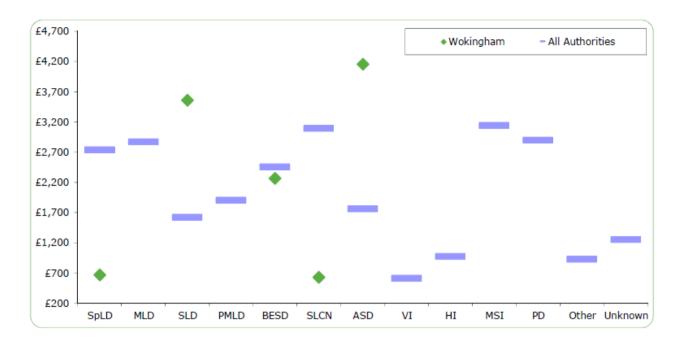
Day Pupils
Average cost per week by SEN Categories



Category	Code
Specific Learning Difficulty	SpLD
Moderate Learning Difficulty	MLD
Severe Learning Difficulty	SLD
Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulty	PMLD
Behaviour, Emotional and Social Difficulty	BESD
Speech, language and Communication Needs	SLCN
Autistic Spectrum Disorder	ASD
Visual Impairment	VI
Hearing Impairment	HI
Multi-Sensory Impairment	MSI
Physical Disability	PD
Other	Other
Unknown	Unknown
All Pupils	

Wokingham			All Aut	horities
No.	£/week		No.	£/week
4	£742		95	£548
0	na		170	£643
3	£358		124	£1,065
0	na		62	£1,045
5	£1,449		746	£1,000
1	£489		292	£754
12	£1,584		956	£1,139
0	na		23	£1,245
0	na		55	£882
0	na		9	£990
0	na		84	£836
0	na		43	£674
0	na		103	£531
25			2,762	

Boarding Pupils Average cost per week by SEN Categories



Category	Code
Specific Learning Difficulty	SpLD
Moderate Learning Difficulty	MLD
Severe Learning Difficulty	SLD
Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulty	PMLD
Behaviour, Emotional and Social Difficulty	BESD
Speech, language and Communication Needs	SLCN
Autistic Spectrum Disorder	ASD
Visual Impairment	VI
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Multi-Sensory Impairment	MSI
Physical Disability	PD
Other	Other
Unknown	Unknown
All Pupils	

Wokingham			All Aut	horities
No.	£/week		No.	£/week
1	£671		21	£611
0	na		34	£2,456
1	£3,558		52	£3,089
0	na		31	£3,142
3	£2,269		228	£2,868
1	£631		72	£1,624
5	£4,158		281	£2,734
0	na		15	£929
0	na		67	£974
0	na		2	£1,255
0	na		34	£1,760
0	na		14	£2,895
0	na		141	£1,905
11			992	

5 Local Economic Context

Reading — Having started the year with a £1.3m underspend (2 year old funding related) they are currently forecasting a £2million overspend.(in their HNB). They are taking action to recover this amount from their 2016/17 Schools Block budget. They have reduced all their formula factors by 1.5% and are setting aside any surplus to their growth fund

West Berkshire - Having started the year with a £149k underspend (Schools Block funding) they are currently forecasting a £1.9million overspend (in their HNB). They are taking action to recover this amount from their 2016/17 Schools Block budget. To recover this amount in 2016/17 they have reduced their Lump Sum and transferred this saving to their HNB along with their Schools Block underspend. They have also reduced the rates of their Special Schools by 1.5%

Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead – Have moved their Schools Block surplus into their HNB in order to reduce the overspend in this area. They have kept all of their 2015/16 factor rates at the same level for 2016/17

Slough – They have increased their Lump Sums to the maximum of £175,000 for both Primary and Secondary, they have reduced their Secondary AWPU's and reduced their primary / secondary ratio from 1:1.38 to 1:1.33

Bracknell Forest – Started the year with a surplus carried forward of £208k, having moved £2m from their schools block budget to support their HNB. Bracknells' Borough Treasurer considers that the Schools Budget should be run at a £0.510m surplus in order to meet any unforeseen events. Bracknell are not in a position to meet this having set an in year deficit of £231k. They continue to keep their formula rates at the same level as last year.

Above information has been collated from the published Schools Forum documents found on each Local Authoritys' website.

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