

Schools' Forum

Date: Friday, 3 July 2026
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Online (MS Teams)

All members and named observers of the Dorset Schools Forum are requested to attend this meeting of the Forum. A full list of the current membership and any vacancies can be found [here](#).

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND VACANCIES

To receive any apologies for absence, noting current vacancies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES AND ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 27th March 2026, raise any matters arising, review the Action Log, and note any correspondence received.

Items for approval
4. WORK OF SCHOOLS' FORUM 2026/27

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To elect a chair and vice chair

To confirm seats following elections
To confirm dates of future meetings

To consider a report from:

Vanessa Eddey, Team Manager, Schools, Finance and Support

Items for Consultation

5. **HIGH NEEDS ALLOCATIONS FUNDED BY BLOCK TRANSFER** 25 - 34

To consider a report from:

Ellen Eager, Sufficiency and Funding Manager, Health, Education & SEND Commissioning

Items for information

6. **DEDICATED SCHOOLS' GRANT (DSG) OUTTURN 2025-26** 35 - 58

Outturn position for 2025-26

Individual Schools Budget Outturn Position 2025-26

To consider a report from:

Lee House, Acting Head of Finance, Business Partnering

Vanessa Eddey, Team Manager, Schools, Finance and Support

7. **SEND REFORM UPDATE**

Verbal update from:

Jen Furnell, Corporate Director, Education & Learning

8. **FUNDING FORMULAE FOR 2027-28: TIMETABLE FOR CONSULTATION** 59 - 108

To consider a report from:

Ross Bowell, Head of Service – Health, Education and SEND Commissioning

9. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**