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To: The Chair and Members
of the Devon Education
Forum

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Date: 14 January 2025

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DEVON EDUCATION FORUM

Wednesday, 22nd January, 2025

A meeting of the Devon Education Forum is to be held on the above date at 10.00 am at Committee Suite - County Hall to consider the following matters.

Donna Manson
Chief Executive

A G E N D A

PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE

1 Apologies for absence

2 Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest, over and above any general interest arising from being a teacher or governor of a school.

3 Minutes (Pages 1 - 10)

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 November 2024, attached.

4 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

Items which in the opinion of the Chair should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.

5 Matters Arising from the Last Meeting and Report back on Issues Raised with Cabinet/f40

To consider any matters arising from the last meeting where not otherwise covered on this agenda and to report on items considered at the Cabinet.

6 Membership

SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS

7 Inclusion and Learning Update (Pages 11 - 32)
(10.10am)

Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures (DEF/25/01), attached.

8 Special Education Needs & Disabilities (SEND) Transformation Programme Update (Pages 33 - 36)
(10.30am)

Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures (DEF/25/02), attached.

ITEMS FOR DECISION

9 Finance
(10.50am)

a Schools Finance Group (SFG) Minutes (Pages 37 - 44)

Minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2025, attached.

Also available at

[Schools Finance Group \(SFG\) – Education and Families \(devon.gov.uk\)](https://www.devon.gov.uk/schools-finance-group)

b Finance Update (Pages 45 - 56)

Joint Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures and Director of Finance and Public Value (DEF/25/03) attached.

c 2025-26 Schools Funding Arrangements Consultation Responses (Pages 57 - 68)

Joint Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures and Director of Finance and Public Value (DEF/25/04), attached.

- d Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) 2025-26: Budget Planning (Pages 69 - 74)
Joint Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Futures and
Director of Finance and Public Value (DEF/25/05), attached.

10 Trade Union Facilities/Support - Agenda Item from TCC

(12)

Officers to give a verbal update in response to this item raised by DEF's Teachers Consultative Committee representative.

STANDARD AGENDA ITEMS

ITEMS FOR DEBATE AND INFORMATION

11 Standing (and other) Groups (Pages 75 - 80)

(12.15pm)

To review action and receive minutes for the Forum from its standing groups (excepting Schools Finance Group as set out above) and to receive summary/minutes from other groups:-

(a) Standing Groups

(i) School Organisation, Capital and Admissions Group

Minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2024, attached.

Also available at

[School Organisation, Capital and Admissions Group \(SOCA\) – Education and Families \(devon.gov.uk\)](#)

(b) Other Groups

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12 Correspondence

13 Dates of Future Meetings

Meetings at 10am. Please check venue/arrangements

<https://democracy.devon.gov.uk/mgCalendarMonthView.aspx?GL=1&bcr=1>

Wednesday 19 March 2025

Wednesday 18 June 2025

Wednesday 19 Nov 2025

Wednesday 21 Jan 2026

Wednesday 18 March 2026.

(12.20pm) CLOSE

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