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Schools' Forum Meeting

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14-19 Funding

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"My Walsall, my future"



Principles underlying 14-19 Funding

These govern the 14-19 funding arrangements:

- Funding follows the learner - distributed from home institution
- Comparable funding for comparable activity irrespective of institution
- “Funding is transparent, simple for institutions to understand, provides stability and certainty for future planning, and avoids unnecessary bureaucracy”
- Funding methodology facilitates collaboration between providers so that a learner’s programme may be followed at two or more separate institutions

Source: *Raising expectations: Enabling the system to deliver*



Current 14-19 Funding (excluding diplomas)

- **Mainstream school funding**

- LSC funding per pupil 16-19
- Practical learning within DSG – earmarked but not ring fenced (£114m in 08/9)
 - Authorities expected to use this funding to target 14 – 16 schools
 - In turn schools should use funding to prepare for 14 – 16 changes working with the 14 – 19 Partnership



Funding available nationally to support diplomas 1

1. LSC funding 16-18 (until 2010)
2. Practical learning within the DSG
3. **Diploma formula grant at KS4 (£17.4m in 08/9)**
 - To support collaboration between schools and partnership providers to deliver Diplomas at KS4 during their roll out period.
 - To provide dedicated funding to support the additional costs of delivery of Diplomas at KS4 which cannot be met from mainstream funding.
 - Calculated on the basis that a Diploma place at KS4 costs an average of £1,000 per pupil.
 - Allocates £120 to pupils from sparse areas taking diploma from Sep 08

In Walsall 3. allocated to home institution of diploma learner



Funding available to support diplomas 2

- 4 For those authorities with new Diploma lines from 1 September 2008 and 2009 to make preparations (£26.7m) - £30k per line

Diploma Consortia Support Grants

2008 and 2009

In Walsall:

All monies paid to each delivery consortium and held by 1 provider on behalf of the delivery consortium

Funding model designed and agreed by diploma finance task group

Ref.: Finance Sub Group 23/02/09

Funding Model for £30,000 Diploma Development Grant

The finance Sub Group recommends that the Diploma Project Group adopts a common Diploma Development funding plan which shall apply to each diploma line. The spend of the grant shall extend to 2013 if appropriate. The funding plan shall include:

LOL lead / Domain Assessor support and networking	Employer Engagement	Workforce Development Costs	IAG	Further development to enable growth*

* This category shall provide for appropriate extension of the diploma and to additional delivery. The funding in each preceding category shall be proportionate to the size of the cohort and the number of delivery institutions.



2010: The change in funding
Entitlement

- Different grant conditions
- Different use
- and different accountability



Funding for new diploma lines 2010

1 Pupil related formula grant

- C. £1000 per diploma learner recruited paid to home institution of learner

2 Consortium Support grant

New funding composed of 2 elements

- a. £40K per new line of learning
 - b. £8.86 per young person 14-18 in local authority
- In Walsall total £389,991



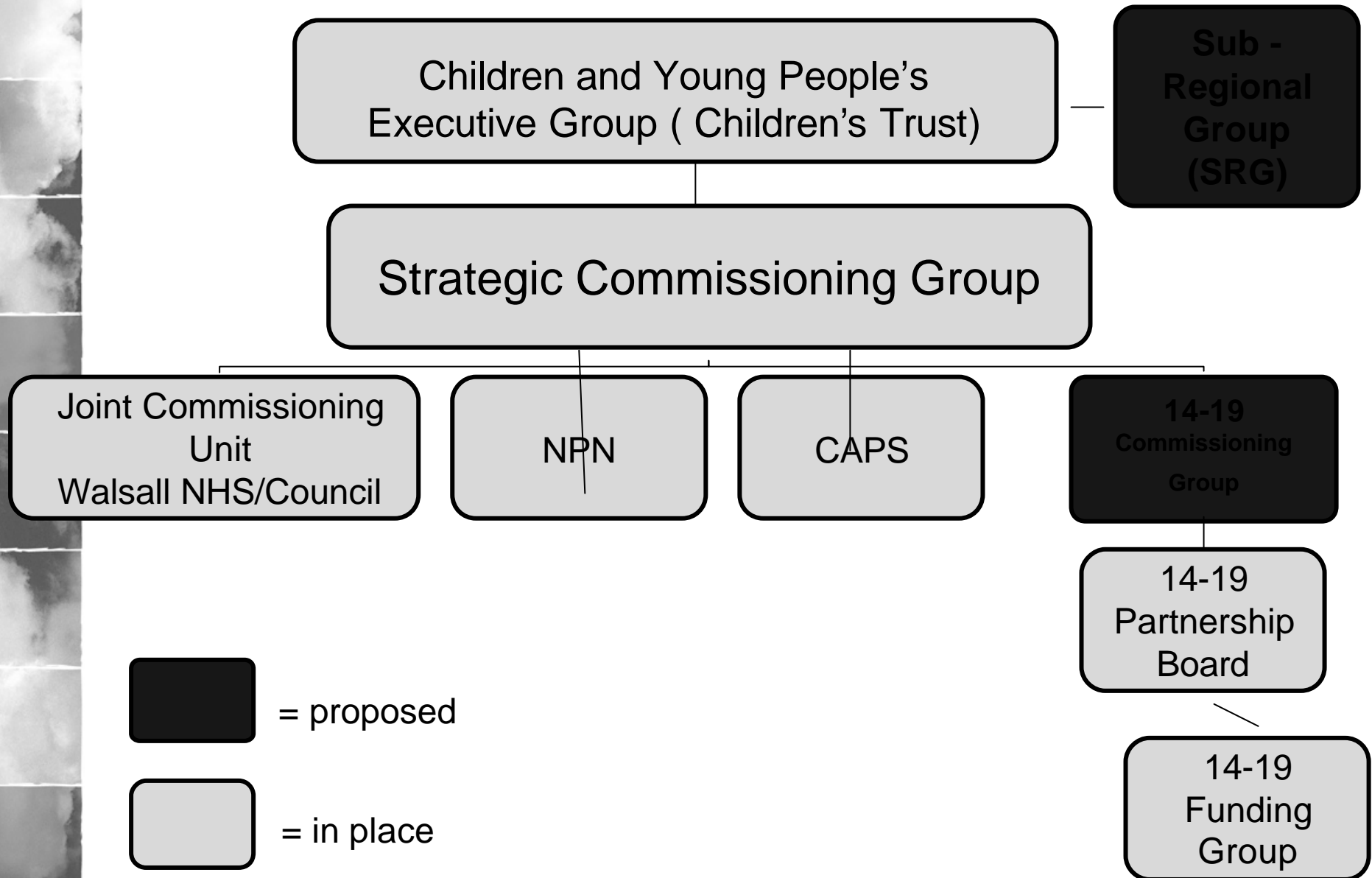
Consortium Support Grant

- **Significant change to support planning for the entitlement**
- to help build capacity to deliver Diplomas and Functional skills
- Expectation that 'local authorities, working with the 14-19 Partnership and [delivery] consortia decide how best to use these funds to prepare for the delivery of diplomas and functional skills.'



- Grant conditions ring-fence funding to diploma spending with specific reference to development of local capacity and development towards the national Diploma entitlement from 2013
- Spending plan to be designed, in consultation with: regional 14-19 adviser and Consortium Adviser

Children's Trust Commissioning Framework





Schools' Forum Role

- To receive information on the significant changes in use and accountability for the Consortium Support Grant
- Through a designated representative, to support the 14-19 Finance Group in the design of a spending plan for the Consortium Support Grant.



14-19 Funding Group

Current representation:

- Walsall Children's Services- Serco R. Myers Chair
- Walsall Children's Services-Serco Finance J. Taylor
- LSC [in interim]
- Head teacher representative [J Clarke]
- Special School representative
- Walsall College Head of Finance
- Training providers' network representative

Support available through GOWM and LEACAN



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Clarifications

- The following question was posed to the Department following a briefing event: *"Will there be a Consortium Support Grant next year? Which parts of the grant are one-offs? "*
- The following answer was received in response from the Department: *"We are committed to continuing to support local areas, including via funding, but are not yet in a position to confirm the details of next year's support, not least because it will be dependent upon the Gateway 4 process."*



Clarifications

- I have now had a response from the Department regarding the Diploma Grant Fund (Average of 1K). I'm afraid it doesn't really tell us any more.....
- *"As Joss says, we've already stated our intention to fund the Diploma Grant for 2010 / 11. 20/01/2012 is more tricky as it falls in the next spending review period and so will be subject to negotiations with HMT etc. We can't say any more than that at the moment." 4/06?09*