

# WALSALL

## SCHOOLS FORUM

### FORWARD PLAN OF DECISIONS

The forward plan sets out decisions which the Schools Forum intend to take over the following 4 months. Preparation of the forward plan helps the Schools Forum to programme its work. The purpose of the forward plan is to give plenty of notice and an opportunity for consultation on the issues to be discussed. The plan is updated in the middle of each month with the period of the plan being rolled forward by one month and republished. The plan is available for public inspection on the Council's website at [www.walsall.gov.uk](http://www.walsall.gov.uk). Copies of the plan can be obtained from Neil Picken, Democratic Services, Walsall MBC, Council House, Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS1 1TW, 01922 654369 or e-mail [neil.picken@walsall.gov.uk](mailto:neil.picken@walsall.gov.uk). Please note that the decision dates are indicative and are subject to change. Please contact the above addressee if you wish to check the date for a particular item.

The Schools Forum agenda and reports are available for inspection by the public 7 days prior to the meeting of the Forum. The papers are available on the Council's website referred to above shortly before the meeting. Background papers are listed on each report submitted to the Schools Forum and members of the public are entitled to see these documents unless they are confidential. The report also contains the name and telephone number of a contact officer. These details can also be found in the forward plan.

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**FORWARD PLAN OF DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN  
BY SCHOOLS FORUM  
FROM SEPTEMBER, 2024**

<b>DECISION TO BE CONSIDERED</b>	<b>BACKGROUND PAPERS AND CONTACT OFFICER</b>	<b>DATE ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED</b>
Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2024/25	Democratic Services Officer	September 2024
School Music Service	Walsall Music Education Hub & Service. Walsall Arena & Arts Centre (Forests Arts Centre)	September, 2024
High Needs Funding Working Group Update	Chair of Schools Forum	September, 2024
Maintained Schools De Delegation	Finance	October, 2024
Review of Maintained Schools Balances 2023/24	Finance	October, 2024
Review of Dedicated Schools Grant – update on 2024/25 Forecast Position	Finance	October, 2024
Proposed Mainstream Schools Local Funding Formula 2025/26	Finance	October, 2024
Disapplication Request (If Required)	Finance	October, 2024

High Needs Funding Working Group Update – draft conclusions and recommendations for consultation.	Chair of Schools Forum	October, 2024
No items currently listed	n/a	December, 2024
Final Mainstream Funding Formula 2025/26	Finance	January, 2025
Central Expenditure Budgets 2025/26	Finance	January, 2025
Proposed Early Years Local Funding Formula 2025/26	Finance	January, 2025
High Needs Funding Working Group – Final Report and Recommendations	Chair of Schools Forum	January, 2025
Walsall Learning Alliance Termly Update	C. Draper, Primary Head Teacher, Short Heath Federation	March, 2025
Proposed High Needs Funding Formula (Outcome)	Finance	March, 2025
Walsall Learning Alliance – termly update	C. Draper, Primary Head Teacher, Short Heath Federation	March 2025
Growth Funding Update	R. Thomas, Head of Access	March, 2025

Walsall Learning Alliance Termly Update	C. Draper , Primary Head Teacher, Short Heath Federation	June, 2025
Review of Schools Forum Membership	Democratic Services Officer	June, 2025
Schools Forum Annual Report	Democratic Services Officer	June, 2025
Dates for 2025/26 meetings	Democratic Services Officer	June, 2025