

Shropshire Council
Legal and Democratic Services
Guildhall,
Frankwell Quay,
Shrewsbury
SY3 8HQ

Date:

**Committee:
Schools Forum**

Date: Thursday, 10 September 2026
Time: 8.30 am
Venue: MS Teams

You are requested to attend the above meeting.
The Agenda is attached

Richard Phillips
Service Director – Legal and Governance (Monitoring Officer)

Members of Schools Forum

Mark Rogers
Reuban Thorley
Alison Ashley
Bill Dowell (Chair)
Sarah Godden
Mark Cooper
Sue Lovecy
Carla Whelan
Sarah North
Georgia Moss
Sarah Finch
Lisa Henshall

Rachel Williams
David O'Toole
James Pearson
James Staniforth
John Hitchings (Vice-Chair)
Shelley Hurdley
Mark Davis
Gemma Martin
Sarah Beard
John Boken
Andrew Smith
Caroline Clode

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AGENDA

1 Apologies

2 Minutes and Matters Arising - 18 June 2026 (Pages 1 - 2)

Paper A attached.

3 Local SEND inclusion formula (SC)

Paper C.

4 LA maintained school balances and forecasts (JM) (Pages 3 - 4)

Paper B attached.

5 Dedicated schools grant monitoring 2026-27 (SW)

Paper D.

6 Appointment of Chair and Deputy Chair (JR)

7 Constitution, Terms of Reference and Membership - Working Group (JR/JM) (Pages 5 - 12)

Attached.

8 New maintained heads members expressions of interest (JR/JM)

9 Work Programme for information (Pages 13 - 14)

Attached.

10 Meeting dates for 2026/27 academic year - as below (JR)

Future meeting dates	Time*	Location*
1.Thursday 10 September 2026	08.30 – 10.30	Microsoft (MS) Teams
2.Thursday 12 November 2026 TBC	08.30 – 10.30	

3.Thursday 10 December 2026 TBC	08.30 – 10.30	
4.Thursday 21 January 2027 TBC	08.30 – 10.30	
5.Thursday 18 March 2027 TBC	08.30 – 10.30	
6.Thursday 17 June 2027 TBC	08.30 – 10.30	

***All meetings are 08.30 - 10.30 if online and 09.00 – 11.00 if face to face.
Schools Forums must meet at least four times a year- per latest DFE
operational and good practice guide March 2021.**

11 Communication (BD)