

# Consultation With Shropshire Maintained Schools on Central Retention of Dedicated Schools Grant From April 2021

**November 2020**

<b>Name of maintained school</b>	
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Please scan and return the completed form to [schoolfunding@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:schoolfunding@shropshire.gov.uk) ,  
by no later than **Friday 27 November 2020**.

The full consultation document is available on the Shropshire Learning Gateway at  
<https://www.shropshirelg.net/> .

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## **DE-DELEGATION**

### **1. Pupil growth contingency – primary schools only**

Options (please tick one preference):

a. De-delegate funding from primary maintained schools as in previous years, with per pupil sums determined by the outturn position in 2020-21 i.e. an overspend or underspend in 2020-21 will affect the per pupil rate in 2021-22. An underspend is currently forecast and so the per pupil rate is expected to be lower than the current £8.04	
b. Fully delegate funding and responsibility to maintained schools, meaning that schools would be liable for funding pupil growth from their individual delegated budgets from April 2021.	

Please add any comments in the box below:

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## 2. Maternity cover

Options (please tick one preference):

a. De-delegate funding from maintained schools as in previous years, with per pupil sums determined by outturn position in 2020-21 i.e. an overspend or underspend in 2020-21 will affect the per pupil rate in 2021-22.	
b. Fully delegate funding and responsibility to maintained schools, meaning that schools would be liable for funding maternity cover from their individual delegated budgets from April 2021.	

Please add any comments in the box below:

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## 3. Trade union duties (referred to as facilities time)

Options (please tick one preference):

a. De-delegate funding of £25,000 from maintained schools, with the per pupil cost determined by the number of maintained pupils at the time the budgets for 2021-22 are set.	
b. Fully delegate funding and responsibility to maintained schools, meaning that local arrangements for facilities time would need to be secured by individual schools and/or groups of schools in collaboration with trade unions.	

Please add any comments in the box below:

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#### 4. School improvement

Option (please tick if you support the proposal):

De-delegate funding from primary maintained schools, holding the unit values at 2020-21 levels of a fixed element of £572.67 per site and a variable element of £4.11 per pupil. De-delegation for secondary maintained schools will be based on a per pupil unit contribution of £0.99.	
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Please add any comments in the box below:

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#### TOP-SLICING

#### 5. Redundancy fund

Options (please tick one preference):

a. Top-slice funding from maintained schools, with per pupil sums determined by outturn position in 2020-21 i.e. an overspend or underspend in 2020-21 will affect the per pupil rate in 2021-22.	
b. Fully delegate funding and responsibility to maintained schools, meaning that schools would be liable for funding all redundancy costs from their delegated budget from April 2021.	

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#### 6. Statutory school finance

Option (please tick if you support the proposal):

Top-slice funding of £30,000 from maintained schools, as in 2020-21, with the per pupil cost determined by the number of maintained pupils at the time the budgets for 2021-22 are set.	
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## 7. Statutory human resources and health and safety

Option (please tick if you support the proposal):

Top-slice funding of £4.40 per pupil from maintained schools (no increase on 2020-21 per pupil rate).	
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Please add any comments in the box below:

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## 8. Education Access Service

Options (please tick one preference):

a. Top-slice from maintained schools to be increased by 98p to £12.50 per pupil to reflect pay and price increases.	
b. Fully delegate funding and responsibility to maintained schools, presenting buy-back arrangements through service delivery agreements from April 2021 for those seeking to secure ongoing education welfare and inclusion support for the statutory areas currently covered by the top-slice.	

Please add any comments in the box below:

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**Thank you for taking the time to complete this consultation form. The consultation forms received from Shropshire maintained schools by the deadline of Friday 27 November 2020, will be collated and will inform the report going to Schools Forum on Thursday 3 December 2020, at which the de-delegation and top-slicing decisions for April 2021 will be taken. Any queries relating to this consultation can be emailed to [schoolfunding@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:schoolfunding@shropshire.gov.uk).**