



## Schools Forum

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## Updated Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) 2022-23

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### Summary

The Department for Education (DfE) announced provisional 2022-23 local authority Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) allocations in December 2021, as reported to Schools Forum in January 2022. In March 2022 the DfE announced an update to the DSG allocation for the 2022-23 financial year.

This report provides a summary of Shropshire's updated 2022-23 DSG allocation comparing with Shropshire's initial provisional DSG allocation as reported to Schools Forum in January 2022.

### Recommendation

This report is for information only.

## REPORT

1. In January 2022 Schools Forum members received a report summarising the 2022-23 funding blocks making up Shropshire's provisional DSG allocation and listing the key financial headlines for each of the blocks.
2. Shropshire's 2022-23 DSG allocation was updated in March 2022 to include recoupment for academies and deductions for high needs places funded by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA).
3. A summary of the provisional 2022-23 DSG (as provided to Schools Forum members in January 2022), and the latest updated 2022-23 DSG allocation including recoupment for academies and deductions for high needs places funded by the ESFA, is shown in the table below.

	<b>Provisional DSG £m</b>	<b>Recoupment/ Deductions for HN places £m</b>	<b>Latest DSG £m</b>
Schools Block	189.815	128.485	61.330
Early Years Block (Provisional)	16.809	0	16.809
High Needs Block	35.754	6.287	29.467
Central Schools Services Block (CSSB)	2.388	0	2.388
<b>Total DSG</b>	<b>244.766</b>	<b>134.772</b>	<b>109.994</b>

4. The Schools Block recoupment shown in the table above relates to the budget shares, calculated through Shropshire's local funding formula, of 62 Shropshire academies. The funding is recouped from Shropshire's DSG and passed on to providers by the ESFA. The DSG recoupment will be updated throughout the financial year to reflect new academy conversions.
5. The High Needs Block deduction relates to pre and post 16 high needs place funding for Severndale Specialist Academy and pre 16 high needs places at Woodlands School. It also includes pre 16 and post 16 high needs place funding for mainstream academies and maintained schools in Shropshire and post 16 high needs funding for Further Education and Independent Learning Providers.
6. The funding is deducted from Shropshire's DSG and passed on to providers by the ESFA.
7. The provisional DSG amount for high needs differs slightly than what was reported in January 2022 as the ESFA has now added the High Needs Supplementary grant of £1.342m to this allocation.
8. We have now also been notified that Shropshire's allocation for the Schools Supplementary Grant for 2022-23 is £1.682m, however this has yet to be updated in the DSG allocation. We expect this to be reflected in the July 2022 update.