

7. DEDICATED SCHOOLS GRANT 2018/19 OUTTURN REPORT

June 2019



The Council receives funding for schools through the Dedicated Schools Grant. The grant funds expenditure either directly through the Individual Schools Budget (ISB) or incurred by the Council on behalf of schools. Any over or underspends on the DSG are carried forward. The distribution of the ISB element of the grant is in accordance with the schools funding formula and the overall DSG has to be approved by the Schools Forum.

	£m
Final DSG Allocation 2018/19	199.678
Made up of:	
Schools Block	149.550
Central Services Block	3.679
High Needs Block	29.826
Early Years Block	16.623

In 2018/19, Plymouth received additional High Needs funding of £0.550m, announced during the year.

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DSG Allocation	199.678
Deductions:	
Retained ESG	(0.564)
Academies recoupment	(122.055)
High Needs deductions	(6.720)
Additional Post 16 income	0.390
DSG to allocate	70.729
Actually allocated 2018/19	70.179
Under allocation; additional funding received for High Needs Block, offset against budget	0.550

The year-end outturn against the DSG budget is an underspend of £0.512m

The previously reported underspend was £0.574m.

- Schools Block and Central Services Blocks - Ceasing historic commitment (£0.803m), schools forum saving (£0.002m) and unspent growth funding (£0.165m).
- High Needs Block overspend £0.588m (as detailed in the High Needs Update)
- Early Years Block underspend (£0.130m)

Papers A and B give more detail regarding budget monitoring.

DSG BALANCE

The table below shows the year end reported DSG balance.

DSG Balance Reconciliation (£m)	
Balance b/f from 2017/18 (surplus)	(0.238)
Underspend 2018/19 (incls. Additional HN Funding and Excl. Cluster)	(0.512)
Early Years 2017/18 DSG allocation adjustment	(0.142)
Commitment for retained ESG responsibilities	0.135
Studio Schools funding – balance	(0.123)
Academy conversion rates relief balance	(0.091)
EHWB allocation 2018/19	0.362
DSG adjustments via balance sheet - not shown in outturn	0.020
DSG balance to carry forward (surplus)	(0.589)